

Assignment Guidelines

Your term project should meet the following guidelines:

- Final text is no longer than 2500 words (not including references)
- Includes images and graphics where relevant
- Cites sources using a consistent citation format
- Applies consistent formatting across the sections of your paper (hint: use MS word styles)
- Presents clear and organized arguments to support your project goals
- Matches the spirit and goals associated with the project option you have chosen

Grading Rubric

Your grade will be based on the content, clarity, impact, and the degree to which your submission satisfies assignment guidelines. For each of the four criteria I will assign points on a scale from 1-5, with 5 being excellent and 1 being very poor. I define "Impact" as the strength and logic of the arguments and analytical insights you provide with your writing. I define "Content" as the level of understanding and knowledge of relevant topics you demonstrate with your writing. I define "Clarity" as the readability and organization of your writing (including formatting and appropriate graphic design where applicable). I define "Meets Criteria" as the degree to which your work satisfies the guidelines provided with the assignment.

| | Excellent | Very Good | Satisfactory | Poor | Very Poor |
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| Impact | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Content | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Clarity | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Meets Criteria | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |