

| Weekly Unit | Assignments |
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| 6: Citation, Plagiarism & Patterns of Development | <p>In Class: Part 1: Select & Narrow Down the Topic</p> <p><u>Outside Class:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin preliminary research. Find resources, compile bibliography including a minimum of 5 sources. • Declare Audience, Formal Thesis. |
| 7: Descriptive Writing & Illustration | <p>Due: Part 2: Preliminary Bibliography with Annotations, Audience, Formal Thesis Statement</p> <p><u>Outside Class:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin writing first Draft— intro ¶, body of at least 5 ¶s & concluding ¶. • Continue gathering research. |
| 8: Writing to Impress & Resume Writing | <p>Due: Part 3: First Draft</p> <p><u>Outside Class:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue gathering research. • Continue with Second Draft, expanding paper to 4 pages. |
| 9: Compare / Contrast & Narration | <p>In Class: Revision Exercises on First Draft</p> <p><u>Outside Class:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with Second Draft; finalize 4 pages. |
| 10: Process Analysis | <p>Due: Part 4: Second Draft (ungraded) Instructor's comments will be emailed.</p> |
| 11: Last Day | Submit Part 5: Final Paper |

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Research Paper Overview

The final project takes you through the various stages for developing an academic paper. This research project breaks into five sections allowing for specific revision points along the way.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The final goal of this project is to produce a well-written research paper based on a casual analysis which demonstrates understanding of the following:

- Demonstrate the ability to use the writing process to complete various assignments.
- Demonstrate the ability to analyze an audience and select an appropriate written communication style.
- Develop writing strategies and problem-solving techniques in the writing process, creating clear, concise, and effective written communications.
- Effectively and efficiently use the ITT Tech Virtual Library.
- Prepare a research paper, demonstrating the ability to use a variety of sources.
- Synthesize information from a variety of sources into a new document.
- Demonstrate the ability to analyze problems and propose solutions through writing a variety of professional reports and documents.

GRADING

The project is composed of 5 parts. As a whole, the entire final paper is worth 35% of the course grade.

- Parts 1 and 4 are not graded.
- Part 2 = 7% Part 3 = 8% Part 5 = 20%

Any part may be turned in early, but in the sequence provided. No skipping steps allowed. You must wait for comments on each step before turning in the final paper. Budget your time so you can give this project a focused effort.

Note that despite the fact parts 1 and 4 are not graded you cannot skip these steps. Submitting these steps avoids wasted time and efforts.

Also note, you are allowed only one attempt for the 2nd revision and final drafts.

Parts 1, 2, and 3 are allowed a second submission. If you submit Part 3: The First Draft for a second grading, the grade will be based only on the second attempt.

ALWAYS, always, always keep extra copies of your work.

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