ENG210-27

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Final (full) draft of research paper

**Due Thursday, April 29**

**Note**: Because time is tight, and some of you are still working on earlier stages, this step is intended for you to give me *as much as you have.* That most likely will not be a full paper. It will **not** be graded, but your effort (how much is there) will be recorded as part of your participation grade. So, the more you give me, the more feedback I can provide you before classes end.

This final paper in the course will be your “research paper.” Continue to write about the topic that you have been researching, making a **claim** about that topic and supporting it with relevant **evidence** from current, reliable **sources**. Making a claim means that you are making an argument of your own, that is supported by the research that you have found. By making an argument, you should avoid turning your paper into what *Who Says?* calls patchwriting—an essay that just includes a lot of loosely connected information gathered from your research. Instead, organize your focused information around a central claim (or, thesis). Also, work to bring your own voice to the foreground through writing that introduces, explains, analyzes and draws connections among the evidence that you present.

Your essay will be most successful if you follow the advice in Chapter 8 through 10 of *Who Says?*. Make a claim, support it with reasons and evidence, acknowledge alternatives to your claim (concessions) and respond to them, and explain any warrants (assumptions) that your reader might not share. You will of course need to review Chapter 10 on revising before submitting the final paper.

Some specifics:

No need for a title page. You do need a title centered on the top of the first page. Also your name and the date of submitting. No abstract. Single-sided (printing) preferred. Third person only.

Double-spaced Times New Roman 12-point type, with page numbers not including title page. No large margins. No extra space between paragraphs. Consider using subheadings to organize the paper.

A minimum of 9 pages, which includes the Works Cited page, which is single-spaced text with a space between each reference. A good range to aim for is 10 to 12 pages. Include page numbers (Insert tab->Header & Footer panel).

A minimum of 12 sources, of which at least two should be books (or chapters from an edited collection), two must be peer-reviewed scholarly journals, and two must be recent periodicals (newspapers, magazines or their websites). No annotations in the works cited list.

Use of [APA format](http://www2.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/library/workshop/citapa.htm) for the Works Cited and all in-text citations (see Grading Form for Term Papers handout). Use in-text citations to document *all* direct quotations, paraphrases and summaries, with page numbers added only for quotations.

This is your last set of instructions for the final paper. That is due **Monday, May 10** in Canvas before 5 pm. that day. E-mailed papers will be accepted only with valid explanation in advance. You will give an oral presentation of your paper May 4 or 6, at which time you will get back any drafts with my comments.