

LIB101
Final Project: Annotated Bibliography
Due in Heather Ward's mailbox or at the Reference Desk
Friday March 15th no later than 5:00PM

The final project for this class will be an annotated bibliography of at least 20 sources on a topic of your choice. Your bibliography will include books, magazine and journal articles, book reviews, and other types of sources discussed in class. Each item will be cited correctly (in either MLA or APA style), and will include a brief (two to three sentences) annotation describing the source and why it is or is not relevant to your research topic.

Although for this assignment we are asking you to research a topic and create a bibliography, we are *NOT* requiring you to write a paper. If you are required to do a research paper for another class this quarter, we strongly recommend using the topic you choose for that paper for your annotated bibliography.

Requirements for your annotated bibliography:

1. Select a topic that interests you. You will be working with this topic throughout the quarter, so choose something that you will find interesting. If you are required to write a research paper for another course you may use that topic for your annotated bibliography.
2. Find 20 sources that are relevant to your topic from the following list of categories:
 - A. Encyclopedia or specialized dictionary
 - B. Books (the whole book)
 - C. Journals - popular or commentary
 - D. Journals - scholarly or professional
 - E. Newspapers
 - F. Book reviews
 - G. Government Documents

NOTE: You must have at least two sources from each category. The other sources can be of your choice--additional entries from the same types of sources or chapters from books, Internet sites, Special Collections materials, videos, etc. Depending on the topic you choose, you may have difficulty finding material in one or more of the categories. If you cannot find sources in one of the categories above, consult with Heather or Stephanie.

3. Format the citations into a bibliography (or "list of works cited"). You will need to follow the MLA or APA format EXACTLY, including being in alphabetical order.
 - For the complete MLA rules consult the MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 5th edition (Ref LB2369 .G53 1999 by the Reference Desk).

- For the complete APA rules consult Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 5th edition, (Ref BF76.7 .P83 2001, by the Reference Desk).

Your bibliography must be typed or word-processed; hand written bibliographies will NOT be accepted.

NOTE: Citation formats require precision. Punctuation matters! Do this very carefully and then check it over before you turn it in.