

COMM 450 FINAL PROJECT & FINAL PRESENTATION GUIDELINES

BLOG PROJECTS

Blogs must have a minimum of 10 posts between 200-400 words long that each contain a multimedia object (video clip, image, sound, etc). The multimedia object can either be the media-text being discussed, or something that illustrates the point you are trying to make. Additionally, there should be an "About" page that explains the purpose of the blog i.e. the intervention or observation it is making about the specific popular culture narrative or theme the blog is dedicated to exploring. On the day projects are due, you will need to turn in a no-more-than-1-sheet paper that includes your name, the location of the blog, and the information from the about page.

VIDEO & AUDIO PROJECTS

Video and audio Projects will need to be stand-alone projects between 3-5 minute long.

In addition to the video or audio you will need to turn in a no-more-than-1-sheet explanation of the project that includes the names of those involved in making it, the title, the location where it lives online (if that is the case) (video can also be brought on a flashdrive), and a 1-2 paragraph explanation explaining how you imagine the video connects to themes and concepts from the course.

SLIDESHOW PRESENTATIONS PROJECTS

You cannot just create a presentation (powerpoint, prezi, etc.). If you would like to turn one in as your final project you will need to include a 3-5 page mini research paper explaining the presentation, how it connects to the class concepts, and with an adequate number of sources. Additionally the presentation will need to be a standalone presentation that can exist without your narration or the paper. You will need to figure out how to do this creatively. The presentation cannot just be words.

For examples effective self-contained creative slideshows please see

<http://www.goodreads.com/bookclub/slideshow> or

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/culture/culturepicturegalleries/4220575/Blackjack.html>

WRITTEN PROJECTS

All written projects must be between 8-10PP

FOR RESEARCH PAPERS

Please review the handout on writing in Communication Studies available from the writing center here at <http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/communication-studies/>

FORMATTING GUIDELINES FOR WRITTEN PROJECTS

Research, Speculative Fiction, and Creative Papers

Times New Roman, 12 pt, Double-Spaced, 1 inch margins all around

Scripts, Standard Script Format

Courier font, 12 point, 10 pitch. No bold, no italics.

Page Margins:

Left: 1.5 inches

Right: 1 inch

Top: 1 inch

Bottom: 1 inch

OTHER FORMATS

Please see me to determine specifications for your project.

FINAL PRESENTATIONS:

On the final day of class everyone will be responsible for presenting their final project in 3-5 minutes. Please be mindful of the time when planning your presentation. You will be stopped at 5 minutes to ensure we do not go over time.

During your presentation you will share what you did with the class explaining the overall narrative of your project and how you see it connecting to the topics we covered in class.

If you are turning in a video project you will simply show this to the class.