**ENGL 1120**

**Final Research Paper**

**Format:** 10-12 pages 12pt Times New Roman or 11pt Arial, double spaced, and with 1 inch margins. Your paper is required to cite and effectively use 8-10 sources of acceptable academic quality.

**Prompt:** Your job for the final paper is twofold. You will need to present and use your sources effectively in the paper, but you are also charged with adding your own thoughts and your own voice to the conversation about your chosen identity topic. The assignment is extremely open ended, but in order to do well I do recommend that everyone:

-Has a specific research question they are answering about their chosen identity

-Uses their research to prove the points they are making in answering the question

-Writes and interacts with the topic in a professional and academic manner

-Have your own voice shine through as the main focus of the paper

-Quote effectively and judiciously

This is all very vague but each and every one of you has a specific aspect of identity that you are researching. To guide your writing I recommend thinking about what you are trying to prove or explore and coming up with a question that you can attempt to answer or a point you can try to argue so that your writing has focus and direction.