

ENVR 3250 Assignment #2

Choose ONE of the following options for Assignment #2:

OPTION 1:

Please write a short essay (3-5 pages long, single space, 11 or 12 pt. font) which builds an argument in response to the following statement:

“Environmental Assessments in theory are designed to protect the environment, but in reality, allow projects to go through regardless of environmental impacts”

You are free to provide your opinion (agree or disagree), but you must back up your argument using **at least** five different sources of information.

Note: There is no wrong answer, just provide examples and references to back up your opinion. Include an example (or examples) of projects and how they back up your opinion.

OPTION 2:

Please write a short essay (3-5 pages long, single space, 11 or 12 pt. font) on and the newly proposed Impact Assessment Agency Canada changes.

In Assignment #1, you discussed strengths, weakness and opportunities of CEAA, 2012. Use this as an opportunity to discuss your opinion on the new changes, impacts, etc. Ideas to discuss (not limited too, and you don't necessarily need to include all these, I am providing these as ideas of what you can discuss):

- Did the proposed changes align with what you thought should be improved upon?
- Do you feel the changes go as far as you were hoping, or go too far?
- What do you think the implications are?

I am interested to see what you find and what you think! There are a few articles written about the changes so far, and as we discussed in class, more will be written before the assignment deadline.

Use at least 5 different sources of information

The assignment will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Strength of your discussion, how convincing your argument is and how well you incorporate the referenced information to support your argument
 - o Project example(s) if applicable
- Quality of the written essay
 - o Free of spelling/grammatical errors, sentence structure
 - o Well organized (e.g., headings)
 - o Well written
- References (in text and in the references section)

Referencing style: please use the same referencing style used in your textbook (*refer to end of chapters for examples*).

- Any material can be referenced, as long as it is relevant and obtained from a credible source (textbook, federal and/or public registry, news article, journal article, etc.).
- **You must properly cite and reference the material you use in support of your argument** (*please refer to your course outline regarding the University of Manitoba policy on plagiarism*).
- **Copy and pasting material will result in a ZERO and be reported to the department head for plagiarism.**

Due date: Tuesday, March 20th

- in class, hard copy please
- Late assignments will NOT be accepted. Late is considered anything past end of class (9:45am).

Note: assignment is worth 5% of your final grade.