

## Instructions final paper

1. The paper should contain **1500-2000 words**. Please check the word count. Papers that exceed the word limit will be refused.
2. The paper must be submitted in **Word or Word compatible format** (doc, docx, open doc, txt, rtf, etc.). Please no pdfs!
3. It must be submitted by **12.1.2018** through the Moodle.
4. The paper should be written in **English or French**. You are not graded for language and style, but if language errors make the paper difficult to understand, this may impact the grade.
5. The paper should concentrate on **two or three** of the sources covered in the reading materials, chosen from two different weeks of the course. The paper may refer to other sources as well, but should have a clear focus on the selected two-three sources. Sources not included in the course bibliography are allowed, but **not required**. Please limit the use of such sources only to cases where they really make a substantial contribution to your paper.
6. The main purpose of the paper is to express **refined understanding of the main ideas** of the selected sources. You're graded on showing me that you really understood the sources.
7. The paper should treat the selected sources **together, in relation to each other**, as a running text. It should not be decomposable into sub-papers on each of the different sources.
8. In order to frame your paper, you should **formulate 1-2 questions concerning the sources**, and engage them in your paper. Present your questions explicitly at the beginning of the paper. Ideas for questions can be found on the Moodle site of the course. You may also phrase other questions. Note, however, that the questions that you choose must allow you to express your refined understanding of the main ideas of the selected sources, so the questions cannot be too specific or marginal.
9. It is advisable to take a **look at the answers files** for the relevant sources – they may help prevent misunderstanding. But do note that the answer files were written quickly and without substantial review, and may therefore include some imprecisions.
10. **Master and doctoral students**, who wish to write something more closely related to their own research interests, can contact Roy Wagner by email to discuss possibilities.