

If we do not have seminars on all three days, the remaining day(s) will still be offered for project consultation.

If you don't schedule a day for your presentation, it simply means you'll need to do the 'offline version'.

## Project (April 16<sup>th</sup>)

For this course, you are required to complete a project. The project's form may vary (as explained below). However, as it is worth a higher portion of your final grade, expect it to require a larger amount of work than a typical assignment.

Note that you may, again, work with a partner if you like.

There are two basic categories of allowable project, with different requirements for each option:

### Literature Review

You may choose to research a specific topic relating to networking, review multiple sources on that topic, and write a comprehensive report on that subject. If you choose this option, the following requirements apply:

- Expect to write around 20 pages. Fewer pages may be appropriate, however, depending on the nature of the topic and how concisely you explain concepts.
- Ensure that all claims (particularly exceptional claims) are supported with references.
- It is assumed that your paper will be divided into multiple sections, detailing background information, motivations, examples (where appropriate), etc.
- Take care in choosing your topic. Ensure that it has sufficient subtopics for multiple sections, but is still isn't so vague that you end up simply talking about "learning". It should feel like you have one topic.
- Ensure that you pick reasonable references.
- You must strike an appropriate balance between making content "your own" and properly citing sources.
  - Specifically, though all claims must be thoroughly researched and defended by credible sources, you must still work the bulk of those facts into your prose. **Do not simply include large blocks of quotes.**
- Wikipedia is not a source.
  - Using Wikipedia as a source will result in an instant 0%.
- Proper communication depends on good grammar and spelling. Computers can add red squiggly lines under your typos now. That said, the best way to effect comprehension is to understand the correct homonyms to use for the clearest results. Improper choices may affect readability, to poor effect. That said, excessive cleverness may affect an affection for pedantry. ←(I'm sorry. I couldn't help myself. Seriously though, run it through a spellcheck, proofread it, and learn the difference between you're/your, and to/too/two/toque. It's really in your best interest to not create additional work for the marker)

Do I need to say LaTeX? Because LaTeX.

A final note on the subject of choosing your topic:

