

Library Research Assignment

Overview of Research Assignment

You will explore one of the topics discussed in class in more depth by finding additional information sources on the topic. You will then document your research by creating an annotated bibliography on your topic.

Assignment Requirements

1. The annotated bibliography will contain six (6) sources using MLA style for the reference citations.
2. Your sources must include at least one book, one article, and one web source.
3. Each source listed will also include a **3-5-sentence annotation** that will describe the relevance between the information in the source and your topic.
4. The annotated bibliography should be typed in MLA style, **double-spaced** with **one-inch margins** (top, bottom, left, and right). **Include your name and page number in the header (top - aligned right); include your name, Prof. Name, Class name, date on the left side.**
5. A cover sheet is not necessary in MLA format!
6. The completed annotated bibliography is due to your instructor on the date announced in class.

Suggested Research Topics

1. The Mythology of Computers: The Early Days
2. Where Are We Now: Where Are We Going from Here?
3. The Professor or the Processor? Learning in the Electronic Age
4. Can You Hear Me Now? Net Neutrality
5. Universal Design: An Internet for Everyone
6. Fair Use and the Internet: Who Owns the Words?
7. The Digital World: Are You More Than Just Zeros and Ones?
8. Do You Know Where Your Computer's Been? Protecting your Computer
9. Internet Freedom Versus Security: Who Wins?

Grading

1. **Format (10%).**
2. **Citations (40%)** Your annotated bibliography has at least six sources, with at least one in each category: books, articles, web. Citations are for sources appropriate to topic. Citations are in proper MLA format. Information on the format can be found at <http://library.csun.edu/Guides/ResearchStrategies/CitationStyleGuides>
3. **Annotations (50%).** Your annotations identify how the source relates to your topic. Spelling, grammar, and writing style will be evaluated. If you need assistance with your writing, consider using the Writing Center (<http://www.csun.edu/lrc/writing.html>).