Assignments and Grading - Descriptions and Rubrics  
**UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

Course Grade Weighting

* Project: 50% (reflection papers)
  + Milepost 1 - 10%
  + Milepost 2 - 10%
  + Milepost 3 - 10%
  + Project Deliverable Presentation - 20%
* Mid-Term Exam: 20% - All readings/material from 1st half of course
* Final Exam: 20% - All readings/material from 2nd half of course
* Participation: 10% - Canvas discussions participation, office hours, etc.

Project

**Description**

Your project may come from the [Potential Partners](potential_partners.docx) document; alternatively, you may select another organization. If you choose an alternative organization, please forward the following information to the Instructors Team: website URL, contact name, contact email, contact phone. Your project is expected to reflect a level of maturity consistent with a graduate program in computer science, and commensurate with the number of team members. The project assignment should be designed to mitigate one or more societal issues. The primary goal should be to increase good for society. This “good” is loosely described as improving one or more of the following issues:

* Hunger
* Homelessness
* Peace
* Environment
* Social justice
* Indigenous rights

**Rubric**

At each Milepost in project execution your team will submit specific items in a Milepost Document, as listed below.

*Milepost 1 Document*

* Team name
* Team members’ names
* Project manager’s name
* Each team member’s signed duties
* Description of the problem
* How you plan to mitigate the problem
* Challenges you anticipate
* Achievements, if any, so far
* Milepost 2 goals

*Milepost 2 Document*

*Final Deliverables*

* *Report*
* *Poster.* This will be a digital conference-style poster that illustrates your project. Here’s a [guide](https://guides.nyu.edu/posters). Please feel free to post other references you found valuable to Canvas.

Mid-Term Exam (Reflection Paper)

The midterm “exam” is a reflection paper on the broad topic of ***sustainability***. Please abide by the following guidelines:

* 5-8 pp
* Use any resources you would like (text, Google Scholar, etc.)
* Cite per scholarly best practices
* Include but do not limit your paper to the following:
  + Important general considerations
  + Stakeholder impact on sustainability
  + Examples of sustainability failures and their causes
* [Rubric](#_top) (coming soon)

Class Participation