KJC4 4CREDITS

FINAL PROJECT PROPOSAL

Abstract

I have decided to do an annotated bibliography. My topic will be focused on women in computer science/computing. I seek to review literature pertaining to this topic in an attempt to gain an understanding of the current situation of women in this field , challenges they have faced and are still facing, what effect gender may have on eventually choosing a career in computer science and why despite challenges, women may want to choose or may have already chosen a career in computer science. I believe this topic is of great relevance to my participation in this class because it speaks to my current reality as a female who has also chosen to start a career in this field. It was this decision that propelled me to take this programming class.

Expected Deliverables:

Deliverable 1 – identify existing literature with information on the topic.

Deliverable 2 – Create a final list of relevant literature to be examined for the purpose of the project.

Deliverable 3- Conduct an analysis of shortlisted literature.

Deliverable 4 – Prepare annotated bibliography containing review/summary of existing literature and my conclusion/findings.

By the midterm check-in:

I will have completed deliverable 1 which involves identifying articles, papers or books on the topic and deliverable 2 which involves making a final list of literature that I intend to examine. I should also have begun my analysis of these articles.

Steps:

Step 1 : Exploration

The first step I will take is to search for journals or articles containing some information regarding the topic.

Step 2: Selection

For this step, I need to find out which articles/books/papers are truly relevant and will be useful in helping me understand and analyze this topic correctly.

Step 3 : Create Introduction

I need to create a section of my project that will serve as an introduction to the topic I am conducting research on.

Step 4 : Study

By now I should have gotten the literature for the topic. I now need to begin studying each of them.

Step 5 : Annotated bibliography

I will need to create a summary of each paper based on my understanding of matters discussed in the papers.

Step 6: My final summary

My task here will be to provide a summary of my findings which is in some way my conclusion based on what I have discovered from conducting this research.

Step 7 : Compilation

I now need to compile all the work I have done, read through to make sure there is a logical flow/progression of thought and ensure that I have accurately presented my findings.

Challenges :

The major challenge I expect to face will be that of time. However, this topic is something I am very interested in, so I intend to create time to enable me conduct a thorough investigation on the topic.