Research Article Project Rubric

Levels of Achievement

-	Exemplary	High Competent	Competent	Developing	Failure	No Credit
Thesis	**19 to 20 Points** Uses argumentative-based assertion to drive the story; ultimately offers evaluation of story addressing thesis; offers some idea of how the subject will be examined.	**17 to 18 Points** Uses an argument, but may be broad; may be addressed throughout one or two parts of the article; method for examining subject is unclear.	**14 to 16 Points** Argument or statement that does not ask a particularly insightful question; story is loosely driven by "thesis"; manner for examining evidence may be referenced.	**12 to 13 Points** Offers a poorly-formed purpose statement or research question, but no thesis; may include a weak argument; loosely related to selected topic; no reference to method for examining evidence.	**1 to 11 Points** Does not include a thesis statement, research question, or purpose statement of any kind.	**0 to 0 Points** No submission
Secondary Sources	**19 to 20 Points** Uses 3 scholarly secondary sources obtained from the UA Library; all are germane to topic and support	**17 to 18 Points** Uses 3 scholarly secondary sources from UA Library, but at least one may not be germane to topic; generally support	**14 to 16 Points** Uses 3 scholarly secondary sources but at least one is not from UA Library; may be partially related to topic; may support	**9 to 13 Points** Uses 2 scholarly secondary sources, one may be from UA Library; may not be relevant to topic; one source may	**1 to 8 Points** Uses sources, but not scholarly sources from UA Library; references prohibited sources.	**0 to 0 Points** Does not include secondary sources/No submission.

	argument; demonstrates analysis of sources; does not include prohibited sources whatsoever.	argument; provides some analysis of sources; does not include prohibited sources whatsoever.	argument; provides elementary analysis of sources; does not include prohibited sources whatsoever.	support argument; does not include prohibited sources whatsoever.		
Primary Sources	**19 to 20 Points** Uses 2 primary sources; both are germane to topic; both support argument; demonstrates analysis of sources.	**17 to 18 Points** Uses 2 primary sources; one is only partially germane to topic; loosely supports argument; offers acceptable analysis of source.	**14 to 16 Points** Uses 2 primary sources but; both are only partially germane to the topic; may support argument; offers cursory analysis of sources.	**9 to 13 Points** Uses 1 primary source but; is only partially germane to the topic; may support argument; offers cursory analysis of sources.	**1 to 8 Points** Uses irrelevant primary sources.	**0 to 0 Points** Does not include primary sources/No submission.
Length	**5 to 5 Points** 1,000-1,500 words.	-	-	-	-	**0 to 0 Points** Fewer than 1,000 words/No submission.
Grammar, Spelling, Style, Diction,	**10 to 10 Points** Uses correct grammar, spelling, style,	**8 to 9 Points** Uses correct grammar, spelling, style,	**7 to 7 Points** 3-5 grammar, spelling, style, formatting	**6 to 6 Points** Fewer than 8 spelling, style mistakes, but	**1 to 5 Points** More than eight spelling, style,	**0 to 0 Points** No submission.

and Formatting	diction, & formatting. Follows directions precisely.	diction & formatting, but contains no more than two related errors.	mistakes. Mistakes do not detract from substance of argument.	sentences still make sense and convey a lucid message with only minor damage to argument.	grammar, or formatting mistakes. Errors significantly detract from argument.	
In-text Citations and Notes Listed in Order Used	**10 to 10 Points** Uses numeric parenthetical, in-text citations formatted correctly, & listed in order used. Follows directions precisely.	**8 to 9 Points** Uses numeric parenthetical, in-text citations formatted correctly, as instructed in the assignment directions, but may have one formatting error. Notes listed in order used.	-	**6 to 6 Points** Uses numeric parenthetical, in-text citations, but with several formatting errors. endnotes appear in order used.	**1 to 5 Points** Includes in-text citations, but not in the assigned format OR endnotes do not appear in order used.	**0 to 0 Points** No in-text citations/No submission.
Endnotes Elements and Formatting	**15 to 15 Points** Endnotes include all the of the required elements for particular source: author names, title, place of publication, publisher,	**13 to 14 Points** Endnotes include all but one of the required elements for each source; may be missing one punctuation or formatting requirement.	**10 to 12 Points** Endnotes are missing no more than three of the required elements; no more than three punctuation or formatting requirements missing.	**8 to 9 Notes** Endnotes are missing no more than four of the required elements; no more than four punctuation or formatting requirements missing.	**1 to 8 Points** Endnotes are missing more than four required elements; more than four punctuation or formatting requirements missing.	**0 to 0 Points** Does not contain any of the required elements; no submission; no regard for following instructions.

	volume, page numbers, etc., are in the right order, and are formatted correctly.					