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ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY PROJECT

By Monday, February 26, you will complete an annotated bibliography for the topic you have chosen to study. I want you to find at least ten sources (books, articles, news stories, opinion pieces, etc.) that relate directly to the topic you are studying. For each source, provide an accurate bibliographical citation and a few sentences summarizing the information contained in the source. Any source (printed or online) is acceptable, but you must include:

1. Sources that present different points of view or frames of reference.
2. Academic and non-academic sources.
3. A sentence in each summary explaining how the source is relevant to your topic.

Ask yourself the following questions as you consider which sources to include:

- Can you use this source of information in your paper later this semester?
- Does the author have the necessary qualifications or level of understanding to speak authoritatively about the subject at hand?
- Does the source/author have a reputation for accuracy or any obvious motive for being inaccurate or overly biased?
- Is there any reason to question the honesty or integrity of the source/author?

You should be able to find plenty of resources for this project by using some combination of the following:

- The library’s collection of books: go to http://libcat.clemson.edu
- JSTOR: go to https://libproxy.clemson.edu/login?qurl=http%3a%2f%2fwww.jstor.org%2f and log yourself in
- Lexis-Nexis: go to https://libproxy.clemson.edu/login?qurl=http%3a%2f%2fwww.lexisnexis.com%2fus%2flnacademic and log yourself in
- Google Scholar: http://scholar.google.com

Each entry in your bibliography must be accompanied by a summary of 2-3 sentences. Each summary should immediately follow its bibliographical entry. One of the sentences must explain how the source is relevant to your topic. All entries must be formatted and alphabetized correctly.

I expect you to use the precise rules and guidelines that appear in the American Political Science Association’s *Style Manual*. I have made a copy of this document available on our Blackboard site free of charge.

Be advised that I take academic dishonesty very seriously and I will pursue sanctions against you if I catch you plagiarizing. In the absence of a compelling excuse (e.g. serious illness, death in the family), late bibliographies will be penalized by the equivalent of one letter grade for each day they are late, including weekend days. You must contact me as soon as possible if you believe you have a compelling excuse for submitting a late bibliography without penalty, and you must provide me with written documentation of the severe emergency that prevented you from handing in the bibliography with the rest of the class.