

ENV 4001: ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

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Stage 3

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The third part of the group project is an *annotated list of at least 10 references* (sources) that you will use for your paper. Here are the parameters:

- It is due on Monday, October 4, at the beginning of class. Each group should turn in one hard copy.
- The reference list will count for 10 points (out of 120 total points for the project).
- Please make sure all group members' names are indicated clearly. There is no need for a cover sheet – save paper.
- You must include at least 10 references.
- You must give complete bibliographic citation for your references, using APA style.
- You can include books, articles from scientific journals, articles from reputable magazines (e.g., *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Economist*), articles from reputable newspapers, government reports, reports from other organizations, and/or other printed resources.
- You can use web sites, but these will not count towards your 10 sources. You must have 10 sources *excluding* web sites. This restriction is for two reasons. First, it is difficult to determine what constitutes a reliable or reputable web site. Second, students tend to over-rely on Internet-based sources of information, and I want you to go through the exercise of obtaining information from other sources. It is fine to use Internet-based search engines to locate sources, but the actual sources of information should not be web sites. (Make sure you know the difference.)
- It is fine if your reference list changes as you work on your paper. I am asking for 10 references now because I want to be sure that you are finding information to support your thesis. As you work on your paper, you might decide to drop some references and add others.
- References should be formatted according to the guidelines of the American Psychological Association (APA), using the 7th edition of the APA Publication Manual. Note that, among other requirements, references should be double-spaced, be alphabetized, and have a hanging indent. See pp 58–59 or pp 66–67 of the Publication Manual for examples of what the reference list should look like. Also see Chapters 9 and 10 for details.
- Please do not rely on Microsoft Word to format the references for you – although Word does have a feature for APA style, it does not work very well. You should get a copy of the APA

Publication Manual (7th edition) and use that to make sure that your references are formatted correctly.

- For each of the (at least) 10 references on your list, first provide the complete bibliographic information for the reference in the style of the journal you have selected. Then, write a *brief* paragraph *in your own words* that summarizes the main points or findings of the article as it pertains to your topic. This means you must actually read and comprehend the articles on your list! For instance, you might have an entry like this:

Robinson, A.B., Robinson, N.E., & Soon, W. (2007). Environmental effects of increased atmospheric carbon dioxide. *Journal of American Physicians and Surgeons*, 12, 79–90.

The authors contend that increased concentrations of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere have not led to any negative effects on weather or climate. They examine sea surface temperature over the past 3,000 years and claim that the temperature now is colder than it was about 1000 years ago. They examine arctic air temperature and U.S. surface temperature since 1880 and claim that these temperatures correlate strongly with solar activity, but not with hydrocarbon usage. Based on their findings, it might not be important to curb hydrocarbon combustion. However, their sea surface temperature data don't look like results we have seen in other sources, so we might need to check how they got their estimates. Same for solar activity – their estimates of solar activity are different from others we have seen, so we might need to check on their estimates.

Notice that I summarized key points of the paper, wrote in my own words, and indicated how the paper might relate to my particular project.

- If you have questions about the requirements...ask!