

PROJECT #7: Research-Based Group Project

NOTES and DUE DATES

- The overall value of Project #7 is 30%.
- Deliverables for Project #7 are:
 - Individual Progress Report #1, uploaded to the "Project 7: Individual Progress Report #1" assignment area by **11:59pm on Thu., Nov. 13th**.
 - (Team Leaders Only) Group Progress Report #1, sent via e-mail to Julie by **11:59pm on Thu., Nov. 13th**.
 - Individual Progress Report #2, uploaded to the "Project 7: Individual Progress Report #2" assignment area by **11:59pm on Thu., Nov. 20th**.
 - (Team Leaders Only) Group Progress Report #2, sent via e-mail to Julie by **11:59pm on Thu., Nov. 20th**.
 - Participation in group presentation (20-30mins) during Weeks 15 or 16.
 - Attendance at the group presentations that are not your own.
 - Production of a written document (long proposal), sent by Team Leaders via e-mail to Julie by **11:59pm on Fri., Dec. 12th**.

OVERVIEW

Each of you will be the member of a team selected by a Team Leader. The Team Leader is the person whose proposal from Project #5 was voted on by the class to be worthy of work during Project #7.

Thus, in a **research-based, fully cited long proposal** (see Chapter 6!) you will outline the parameters of the problem, consider the possible solutions to the problem, and provide a persuasive conclusion that sets out the best solution to the problem. This project asks you to research and report on the best methods/options/alternatives for solving the problem.

"Research-based" means primary or secondary research in order to recommend solutions to the problem you are attempting to solve. Primary research could include interviews and observations of people and activities. Secondary research is library/scholarly research. These are not the only types of research, of course. The goal is to get good information that you can cite, and there are many different ways you can go about doing that.

Your final written document should include at least the following (see Chapter 6 for more information):

- a title page
- transmittal letter
- table of contents
- list of tables and figures
- abstract or executive summary
- introduction, body, conclusion
- list of references; use primary and secondary research, must include at least five sources total.

Your final document should be **at least 3000 words**, not including the title page, TOC, list of figures/tables, list of references, and appendices.

Your presentation of the material can take any reasonable form you want, but must be at least 20 minutes and have time built in for discussion.