

Final Project Instructions

“No Plagiarism Will Be Tolerated”

- The purpose of the final paper is to measure students’ ability to evaluate diverse perspectives on China and arrive at an informed judgment of different issues.
- Task: (i) State an issue; (ii) discuss and evaluate the status quo (and the current relevant policies or laws); (iii) offer future prospects if the status quo or the current policies/laws were continued; and (iv) give reasonable and justified recommendations
- **At least five-page long** (Times New Roman, 12-point, double-spaced), **not including references**
- **Grading will be based on:**
 - Your demonstrated research effort
 - The degree of success in presenting and supporting a clear analytical argument with abundant specific evidence from relevant scholarly sources [**at least four scholarly sources need to be clearly and rightly cited in the body of the paper (i.e. cited in the right place, in the right context, and in the right format), with scholarly sources referring to books, book chapters, and journal articles; for this task, please do not rely significantly on journalistic sources or Wikipedia, which, though can be used, will not count as any of the four scholarly sources required**] [our course readings can be used to count as one or more of the four required scholarly sources]
 - The organization and coherence of the paper
- **Please also note that:**
 - A meaningful **title** should be provided (A title like “Final Project” or “Final Paper” does not count).
 - The paper should have **page numbers**.
 - **Each entry** in the section of “References” or “Works Cited” **should be cited** in the body of the paper.
 - **Each reference cited** in the body of the paper **should have a detailed entry** in the section of “References” or “Works Cited”.
 - **The references (i) need to be arranged alphabetically on the basis of the family name of the first author in each entry, which should also have proper indentation, and (ii) need to follow the right format (see below).**
 - If you use any notes, please use footnotes, not endnotes.
- **Format for References:** See pp.42-56 of **Style Manual for Political Science** at <https://mk0apsaconnectbvy6p6.kinstacdn.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/43/2018/11/Style-Manual-for-Political-Science-2018.pdf>

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- Tan, Chee-Beng, ed. 2006. *Chinese Transnational Networks*. London: Routledge.
- Wang, Feng. 2010. "China's Population Destiny: The Looming Crisis." <http://www.brookings.edu/research/articles/2010/09/china-population-wang> (Accessed March 3, 2020)
- Wang, Gungwu. 1991. *China and the Overseas Chinese*. Singapore: Time Academic Press.

- **Citation Format:** See pp.38-41 of *Style Manual for Political Science* at <https://mk0apsaconnectbvy6p6.kinstacdn.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/43/2018/11/Style-Manual-for-Political-Science-2018.pdf> [Please make sure you provide the specific page number or page number ranges when citing others AND using their original words.]

All the names in the following examples are **family names**:

- One author: (Bouissac 1985)
 - Two authors: (Smith and Jones 1995)
 - Four or more authors: (Ameka et al. 2006) [However, please do list all authors in the reference entry.]
 - Several works by one author: (Bouissac 1987a, 1987b, 1994)
 - Works by different authors: (Bouissac 1985; Deakin 1993)
 - Citation of an entire chapter: (Auer 2007, chap. 3)
 - Page number ranges: (Hockett 1964, 140-145)
- Important Dates
 - By **3/16 (Tuesday)**, please **get your final project proposal ready and post it by creating a new thread** in the discussion board forum titled "**Final Project Proposal Peer Review**," which is located under "Discussion Board" on Blackboard. In the subject line, please type your name and the title of your final project proposal. In your post, please add your final project proposal by attaching it to the post as a **Word document**. The proposal is expected to contain (i) **a brief description** (about 200 words) of your specific topic and your motivation for choosing this topic and (ii) **a list of at least four academic sources** that are highly relevant to your research topic. **The proposal needs to have a meaningful title, and the references (i) need to be arranged alphabetically on the basis of the family name of the first author in each entry, which should also have proper indentation, and (ii) need to follow the right format though they need not be cited in the body of your proposal at this point (the references do need to be cited in the body of the final version of your paper).**
 - By **3/23 (Tuesday)**, please post **at least two replies** to your classmates' original posts in the forum titled "**Final Project Proposal Peer Review**". In other words, your two posts should be peer reviews in the form of replies to two of your classmates' posts of their final project proposals. **Please review an original post that does not have two replies yet, and please do not read any review of the same proposal you will review until you have**

offered your own independent review. In your posts, you should evaluate your classmates' proposals on the following basis:

- whether the proposal has a title;
 - whether the topic is appropriate;
 - whether the topic is too broad or too narrow;
 - whether the writing is coherent and logical;
 - whether there are four academic references (i.e. books, book chapters, or academic journal articles);
 - whether the references are truly relevant to the topic of the paper;
 - whether the references are alphabetically arranged on the basis of the family name of the first author;
 - whether the references conform to the *Style Manual for Political Science*;
 - what **specific changes/corrections** should be made (please mark the relevant parts of the proposal that need to be changed/corrected with bolding, color-highlighting, or some other method) and what **suggestions** you'd like to provide.
- By **4/27 (Tuesday)**, please complete your **final paper** and submit it through the link under "Final Project" on Blackboard. When you submit it via Blackboard, please fill out the part about "submission title" in the form of submission with "your family name, your given name" (just in the same way as you name your file). After I grade your final paper, you should be able to see your grade in "My Grades" and see more specific comments when you (i) visit the place (i.e. the tab "Final Project") where you submit your final paper, (ii) access your submission again over there, and (iii) click on the blue chat symbol(s) in the file.
- Resources (see full list in the syllabus and on Blackboard)
 - White Papers and Laws
 - <http://english.gov.cn/archive>
 - <http://www.lawinfochina.com/>
 - <http://www.npc.gov.cn/englishnpc/c2866/list.shtml>
 - "One Search": www.library.csi.cuny.edu
 - Journal articles: Search individual journals (see a list of major journals in the syllabus) or search databases
 - EBSCOhost Integrated Search: Access many electronic resources from a single search interface
 - Taylor & Francis Social Science and Humanities Library
 - Social Sciences Full Text
 - Project Muse
 - JSTOR
 - Academic Search Complete
 - Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe
 - Interlibrary loan
 - Librarian/[Google](#)