

US Government Research Paper Overview

Student's Name _____

Topic: _____

Paper Requirements and Grading

Type of Paper: Argumentative Research Paper using MLA format.

Paper Length: 5 - 6 pages (1200-1500 words), not including Works Cited page.

Format: Double spaced paper, with 12 point font (e.g Arial, Helvetica, Times). 1 inch margins.

Number of Sources - 5 to 7 sources.

Number of Note Cards - 35 Notecards. Notes may be taken on traditional index cards or with note card template found on Google Classroom.

Final Paper: All papers submitted to turnitin. Graded according to the Senior Research Paper Rubric. 20% of US Government grade.

Where are you in the process?

Check each box after you have completed the task.

- Step 1: Formative Research Paper Assessment
- Step 2: Choosing a Research Topic
- Step 3: Background Research
- Step 4: Writing A Claim
- Step 5: Research: Finding Evidence to Support the Claim
- Step 6: Making an Outline
- Step 7: Writing An Introduction
- Step 8: Writing Strong Body Paragraphs
- Step 9: Finishing the Rough Draft
- Step 10: Writing the Final Draft