

# English 331/ English 332 Research Project

## Project

Using the Literature Book and one additional source (no dictionary or encyclopedia sources), define all aspects of American Modernism. Each student will be assigned two literary works and will choose one additional work to study. 1) Thoroughly show how each work of literature fits the definition of Modernism. 2) Show how the writer's life affected his/her work. 3) Show how the work compares in style, character, theme, etc. to other works by the author and to your other assigned works. 4) Each English 332 student will create a PowerPoint presentation on the findings of his/her report and will present it to his/her classmates. Presentations may be converted to podcasts.

Students will properly use note cards to record the research from the Literature Book and the additional sources. Students will write a 6 page minimum expository research report. Students will turn in the file in an electronic format (i.e. email, disc, flash drive). All files are due no later than 3:04 p.m. on April 16, 2009.

Failure to use citations, using citations incorrectly, or claiming another's work as one's own is *plagiarism and will result in a zero grade.*

## End Product

Each student will turn in one digital file containing a 6 page expository research report consisting of the following components in the following order:

- Title page – Title of report, student's name, English 331 or English 332, class, due date of report
- Outline – correct outline format with thesis statement in the introduction
- Report (at least 6 pages) – double spaced, size 12 font, Times New Roman, standard Microsoft Word margins (1.25" right and left margins – 1" top and bottom margins)
- Bibliography page – correct bibliography entries in alphabetical order by the first letter of the first word of each entry (**no** bullets or numbering)

In addition to the written report:

- Research note cards – 3x5 note cards used to organize research, each card containing a header, slug, source number, one idea per card, and the page number of the source.
- A copy of **all** research material – web site printouts, reference book entries, copies of articles, etc. is to be turned in on April 16, 2009.

*Reports that are missing components or not formatted properly will not be scored.* Be sure to complete all components of the assignment. Late or incomplete reports will not be accepted.

## Scoring

The project is worth 200 points in the Report category with the following breakdown:

Using Classroom time	25 points	(points will be logged each class period)
Research credibility	25 points	
Note Cards	10 points	
Outline	25 points	
Paper:		
GOFSS	90 points	
Grammar	18	
Organization	18	
Focus	18	
Support	18	
Style	18	
Title page	5 points	
Bibl. Page	20 points	