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**Paper topic proposal assignment template with minimal instructions**

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* Download and save this document to your computer.
* Do a “save as” and give it a helpful filename.   
  e.g., STUDENTNAME PaperTopicAssign 2023-xx-xx (use current date)
* Use this document as a template to build your assignment.
* Follow more detailed instructions as laid out in class and these pages:
  + <https://johnbandler.com/paper-topic-assignment/>
  + <https://johnbandler.com/paper-topic-ideas/>
  + <https://johnbandler.com/final-paper-project/>
* Put in effort, have some fun, learn through the process.
* Confused or questions? Ask in class, email me prior, or include at the end with your submission. Do your best, consider the goals of this assignment.
* Delete *italicized instructions* below before submitting.
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**Paper topic assignment**

*Your Name Here*

*Today’s Date Here* , 2023

*Course Number Here*

**Proposed title**

*A wonderful, crisp title that informs the reader about what the paper is about*

*Communicate clearly. General rule,* *choose clarity, don’t be overly clever or cute*

*Topic needs to be relevant to the course*

**A single paragraph summarizing your proposed paper**

*A paragraph of no more than 250 words that is crisp, well proofread and edited, and gives more information to the reader about what the paper is about.*

*This can eventually become one of your introductory paragraphs for the paper*

*Introduce and summarize your paper and what it will cover.*

*Do not introduce or summarize broad concepts, such as the Internet, cybercrime, etc.*

**References: A list of references reviewed thus far**

*List the references you have reviewed, starting with materials on our syllabus, and expanding from there.*

*Don’t worry about citation form yet, but provide enough information so I can find it, including title, author, publication, page, link*

*Read what you have listed, or specifically indicate if you have not read them yet*

*Start with anything relevant listed on the syllabus, including coursebook and articles*

*List relevant laws or regulations, or cases -- your paper is about law so you need to identify them*

*Leave this in place for subsequent submissions, including the final paper*

**Student comments and questions**

Leave this in place for subsequent submissions, including the final paper.

List any consultations with school library and writing center, including date, time, person consulted

How did this submission go for you, and how has the overall process gone thus far for you?

*Feel free to ask a question or explain anything you are wrestling with, challenges, successes, etc.*