



# The Case Study Project

## Culture & Identity Edition

Dive into what you care about, research it well, and then tell the world!

SCHEDULE	DAILY SCHEDULE
Day 1	Decide Topic; Begin Research
Day 2	Finish Research; Outline Project; Start Creating
Day 3	<b>Finishing Touches; <u>Case Study Project Due</u>; Voluntary Presentations</b>

Schedule subject to change. If we're using our time productively, we'll have as much time as possible.

### **Choices for Product:**

1. 2 Page Paper (5 Paragraph Essay), Double Spaced, Size 12 Font
2. 2 Minute Video (or Recorded Presentation)
3. Come up with your own idea (must be approved by Mr. Radcliff or Mr. Taylor!!)

### **Choices for Topic:** (more info on the next page)

1. Which three aspects of identity are the most important to focus on in 2020?
2. Research a culture based on the concepts we've learned in class
3. Explore how a specific identity movement grew & spread, with a focus on culture

# Choices for Topic

## 1. Which three aspects of identity are the most important to focus on in 2020?

### Ideas to Consider (not required):

- Consider power - what identities might be marginalized?
  - What is causing that marginalization? How can we fix it?
- Consider conflict - what identities might be causing conflict between groups?
  - What is causing the conflict? How can we fix it without ignoring the underlying problems?
- Consider history - how have opinions about these identities changed over time?
  - Have things gotten more accepting? Less accepting? Analyze why.

### Potential Identities to Talk About:

- Nationality • Ethnicity • Religion • Race • Gender • Sexuality • Language • Class • Career
- Political Affiliation • Age • Marital Status • Education • Ability Level • Immigrant Status • & More

## 2. Research a culture based on the concepts we've learned in class.

### Ideas for Cultures to Research in America:

- Gamers • Italian Mafia • Specific Gang in America • White Evangelical Christians • Millennials
- Boomers • Chicanos • Black America (pick a decade) • Hippies • Emo • Heavy Metal • TikTok
- Twitter • YouTubers • Football Coaches • Theater Kids • \_\_\_\_\_ Immigrants • A Specific Native American Tribe • Black Panther Party • Pentecostals • Hell's Angels • Proud Boys • Feminists
- Grunge Movement in 1990s • Early Hip Hop • Undocumented • LGBTQ+ • Other (Must be approved!)

### Ideas for Cultures to Research outside of America:

- Tibetan Monks • The Vatican • A Specific Cartel • A Specific Ethnicity (Irish, Japanese, etc...)

### Concepts & Framework You Might Want to Use (Suggested ones are bolded):

- Culture • **Norms** • Behaviors • **Beliefs** • **Values** • Material Objects • Traditions • **Material Culture**
- Non-Material Culture • Cultural Diffusion • **Cultural Diffusers** • Assimilation • Forced Assimilation
- Cultural Bias • **Cultural Relativity** • Inter-cultural Conflict • Intra-cultural Conflict • In-Group
- Out-Group • Dialect • Language Family • Lingua Franca • **Language** • **Cultural Brokers**
- **Social Construct** • Nationality • Gender • Sex • **Gender Roles** • Mass Incarceration • Race
- Ethnicity • Religion • Holidays • Colonizers • Colonized • **Internal Diversity**

## 3. Explore how a specific identity movement grew & spread, with a focus on culture.

### Ideas for Identity Groups:

- Early Hip Hop • Chicano Movement • Hell's Angels • Black Lives Matter • Black Panther Party
- Women's March • Grunge Movement in 1990s • Emo • Gamers • Trump Supporters • LGBTQ+
- Moral Majority • Gamers • EDM • Alt-Right • Ku Klux Klan • American Revolution • Other (Must be approved!)

### Ideas for What to Focus On:

- Where did it start? • Where did it spread? • How did it diffuse / spread? How was culture involved in spreading it? • Who were major influencers/diffusers? • What are examples of their material culture? How did that help spread? • What are examples of their non-material culture? How did that help the movement spread? • Are they in-group or an out-group?

# Brainstorming Case Study Topic

**Directions:** This is a required sheet. You will fill it out & then conference with Mr. Radcliff or Mr. Taylor before beginning on your project?

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## 1. Picking a topic:

Which topic are you choosing? Be specific!

Why did you choose this topic? Why was it a good idea to pick the topic?

## 2. The Medium / Output:

Are you going to write a 2-page paper, make a video, or do something else?

Why was this the right option to pick? Be specific!

## 3. Research:

What assignments have we already done that can help you with your topic?

Have you come across any information outside of class that can help you with your topic?

How are you going to find additional information? What are sources you can trust & sources you cannot trust?

Before moving on, check in with Mr. Radcliff or Mr. Taylor!!

# The Case Study Project Annotated Bibliography

List three of the sources that you will be using to research your approved case study topic. Note that you do not need to include all of your sources yet, or have completed your research. This is a first step.

After each source, write three sentences about the source that answers the following questions:

1. Why is this source reliable?
2. Why is this source helpful to my project?
3. What voices are lifted up by this source, and what voices are left unheard?

**Source 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

Why is this source reliable?

Why is this source helpful to my project?

What voices are lifted up by this source, and what voices are left unheard?

**Source 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

Why is this source reliable?

Why is this source helpful to my project?

What voices are lifted up by this source, and what voices are left unheard?

**Source 3:** \_\_\_\_\_

Why is this source reliable?

Why is this source helpful to my project?

What voices are lifted up by this source, and what voices are left unheard?

# The Case Study Project - Zoomed Out Outline

This part is mandatory for our first case study, but it will be optional after future units.

Zoomed Out:

Section	Topic	Sources You Can Use
Introduction		-----
1st Body Section		
2nd Body Section		
3rd Body Section		
Conclusion		-----

## Optional Writing Outline

----- Introduction Paragraph -----  
Attention Getter:

Preview Your Topic:

----- 1st Body Paragraph -----  
Topic Sentence (What is this paragraph about):

Evidence 1:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

Evidence 2:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

Evidence 3:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

----- 2nd Body Paragraph -----

Topic Sentence (What is this paragraph about):

Evidence 1:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

Evidence 2:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

Evidence 3:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

----- 3rd Body Paragraph -----

Topic Sentence (What is this paragraph about):

Evidence 1:

Explain why this is important or relevant:



Evidence 2:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

Evidence 3:

Explain why this is important or relevant:

————— Conclusion Paragraph —————  
Review the main points of your paper:

Explain why this is something that is important or relevant to people in 2020!!!