

Annotated Bibliography Assignment

ENGL 3000; Spring 2018

Due:
HARD COPY IN
CLASS 04/12
No email bibliographies

CHECKLIST:

- ☐ 3-4 sources
- ☐ full name and date
- ☐ 1" margins, 12 pt Times New Roman font
- ☐ Double-spacing and left-justification required
- ☐ USE MLA STYLE
- ☐ Numbered pages

What exactly is an annotated bibliography?

BIBLIOGRAPHY = list of citations information sources (scholarly books, articles, documents)

ANNOTATION = a brief (often about 150 words) descriptive and evaluative paragraph that informs the reader of the relevance, accuracy, and quality of the sources cited.

REQUIRED ELEMENTS:

An annotated bibliography summarizes the central theme and scope of each source in the list.

Each annotation should include:

- ☐ CITATION: a complete citation for each work included in MLA style.
- ☐ SUMMARY: a sentence or two summarizing the author's main point.
- ☐ EVALUATION:
 - a) a statement about the type of source (e.g., a scholarly research article, a chapter from a scholarly collection of essays, a chapter from a scholarly book)
 - b) a short evaluation of the authority of the author to write about the topic and the quality of the source
- ☐ RELEVANCE: Your own thoughts on why this is relevant for you in the context of your research paper, and how you will use this source.

TIPS

Don't confuse abstracts or summaries with annotations.

Abstracts are the purely descriptive summaries often found at the beginning of scholarly journal articles or in periodical indexes.

Annotations are descriptive and critical; they expose the author's point of view, clarity and appropriateness of expression, and authority.