**Topic and Thesis Proposal**

**This week, your team will select your topic of research for the Course Project. You will need to define the chosen topic, provide a brief description of the emergent technology, and write a thesis statement. Each team proposal should include the following items.**

1. **The name and a brief description (~100 words per teammate, Times New Roman, double-spaced) written by each team member as named in the text, about his or her planned sub-section or specific research area regarding the emergent technology selected by the whole team.**
2. **A combined team's thesis statement (Please note that a thesis sentence presents the central idea of the paper. It must always be a complete, grammatical sentence, it must be specific and brief, and it must express the point of view you are taking on the subject. This thesis statement will be included in the introduction of your final report.)**

**Grading Rubric**

**Total 50**

| **Content** | **Points** |
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| **Selects appropriate topic in consultation with instructor** | **10** |
| **Explains why the topic is important** | **20** |
| **Provides a tentative thesis statement and previews areas to be explored** | **20** |
| **Total** | **50** |

**Directions are here:** [**Course Project Overview**](https://devryu.instructure.com/courses/25644/pages/course-project-overview)**. Don't forget to submit your assignment on behalf of the chosen Team Leader. Only he/she will upload a single combined document by the end of the week's deadline. Do not submit individual portions as separate or late uploads. Do not send them as e-mails. All contributions need to be channelled via the Leader; that is how I ensure that the group is functioning as a whole rather than isolated individuals. Although teammates may wind up often with identical grades, I do grade each student's identifiable contribution, so label next to each portion the name of the particular student. Credit is neither given for contributions uploaded separately nor not through the Leader.**

**Rubric**

**writing 50**

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| **Criteria** | **Ratings** | **Pts** |
| **This criterion is linked to a Learning Outcome Introduction/ preview/ topic**  **Writer summarizes the case, showing in-depth understanding and a compelling purpose for writing. Introduces possible perspectives to be detailed in the report. Topic is clearly presented; preview is present.** | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **5.0 pts**  **Full Marks** | **4.0 pts**  **Competent** | **3.0 pts**  **Satisfactory** | **2.0 pts**  **Below standards** | **1.0 pts**  **Standards not met** | **0.0 pts**  **No Marks** | | **5.0 pts** |
| **This criterion is linked to a Learning Outcome Analysis**  **Both accuracies in responding to the assignment details and individual critical thought are evident and are clearly and compellingly presented. Originality dominates rather than reliance on secondary sources.** | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **35.0 pts**  **Full Marks** | **28.0 pts**  **Competent** | **21.0 pts**  **Satisfactory** | **14.0 pts**  **Below standards** | **7.0 pts**  **Standards not met** | **0.0 pts**  **No Marks** | | **35.0 pts** |
| **This criterion is linked to a Learning Outcome Grammar/ mechanics/ style/ format/ quality of thought**  **Grammar refers to correct Standard American Usage, e.g., subject/verb agreement and use of correct parts of speech. Mechanics refers to correct idiomatic usage, e.g., capitalized proper nouns, word choice, and word order. Style (5 pts) refers to dynamic writing, avoiding passive constructions, writing that shows, describes, and compels the reader’s interest. Evident care has been taken in composing; there are few errors, and they do not significantly interfere with meaning. APA format has been followed scrupulously.** | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **10.0 pts**  **Full Marks** | **8.0 pts**  **Competent** | **6.0 pts**  **Satisfactory** | **4.0 pts**  **Below standards** | **2.0 pts**  **Standards not met** | **0.0 pts**  **No Marks** | | **10.0 pts** |
| **Total Points: 50.0** | | | |

**Submission**

**Not Submitted!**

[**Submission Details**](https://devryu.instructure.com/courses/25644/assignments/756681/submissions/16188)

**Grade: 50 (50 pts possible)**

**Graded Anonymously: no**

**Comments:**

**Gamma team submission portion meets standards; thanks for the contribution this week.**