**Individual Written Argument**

**Target upload date 5/22**

**Due 2/26 –** Annotated Stimulus Packet sources and LJ 25

**Due 2/28 Research Question Selection (5 pts)** – It must come from 2 of the sources in the stimulus packet. You MUST use an ARGUMENT from one of the sources as either evidence for your argument or evidence against your argument. If you don’t do this, your paper will get a zero.

**Research (9pts)**

* Context – 6 sources (3 scholarly) Due 3/4
* 3 Perspectives – 6 scholarly sources Due 3/10
* Your solution – 9 scholarly sources Due 3/16

**Paper Outline – 2000 words (8 pages)**

1. **Section I: Context (5pts) Complete by 3/27 to stay on track**
   1. What’s the goal of this section? – Make it clear that you are dealing with a theme (problem) from the stimulus packet. Provide a detailed explanation of why this is a problem (e.g. academically, historically or practically) by putting it in context. Explain how your solution-based research question connects to this theme and why it needs to be asked and how it can be answered.
   2. Possible Outline
      1. Identify your chosen theme form the stimulus packet
         1. Stimulus source 1 connects theme with problem
         2. Stimulus source 2 connects theme with problem further
      2. Give evidence to prove the significance of your problem using your context research
      3. Transition to your problem
      4. State your Solution-Based Research Question
      5. Give your thesis (solution)
   3. 250ish words (about a 1 to 2 pages)
2. **Section II: Perspectives (9pts) Complete by 4/3 to stay on track**
   1. What’s the goal of this section? – Draw relevant connections between stakeholders/lenses/perspectives, considering objections, implications, and limitations. Please think of this section like an IRR meets the ‘Poor Solutions’ section of your TMP. You will share the perspectives from various stakeholders or lenses and their solutions.
   2. Repeat the following steps 3 times (1 page per perspective/stakeholder/lens)
      1. Introduce a perspective.
      2. Discuss how this helps you understand the scope or causes of a problem
      3. Discuss solutions (maybe those already in place) from this perspective
      4. Consider the solution’s implications and limitations
      5. Put this perspective into conversation with other perspectives
   3. 750ish words (about 3 pages- one-ish page per perspective)
3. **Section III: Evidence Based Argument (12pts) Complete by 4/17 to stay on track**
   1. What’s the goal of this section? – Prove your solution is THE best. Prove your thesis. You shift entirely to argumentative writing. Make sure that you have three good reasons that prove your solution is the best. As you develop your reasons make sure you have ample research-based evidence to prove that your solution is the correct solution. UNLIKE the IRR, make sure your commentary drives the argument.
   2. Possible Outline
      1. Give your thesis again (solution)
      2. Create section headings for each of your reasons
   3. 750ish words (about 3 pages)
4. **Section IV: Limitations, Implications and Call to Action (points are embedded in Section III) Due 5/1**
   1. What’s the goal of this section? Asses limitations and implications of your solution and call to action. (Remember to be honest about the limitations of your solution.
   2. 250ish words (about a page)