



CUI 4U1: Final Research Paper

Preparing for post-secondary education

Exploring Canadian History, Identity and Culture

The research paper is the most challenging task students encounter in senior history courses (as well as post-secondary programs). Writing a sound historical research essay requires an ability to carry out in-depth research, make effective notes, formulate and defend a clear thesis, apply critical, analytical and creative thinking skills, and organize information in a logical and coherent fashion. On top of all of this, a formal essay must be effectively written and accurately documented.



Students will select essay topics of particular interest to them. Select a topic carefully. Topics that focus on other disciplines or on current events are not likely to be approved – there must be appropriate research material available to you.

Research Paper Specifications

Your research paper **MUST** adhere to the following specifications:

- ✓ 1500-2000 words
- ✓ double-spaced, typed 12-point, Times New Roman font OR Arial font
- ✓ Every page (except the cover page) must be numbered in the upper, right hand corner.
- ✓ Use properly formatted **FOOTNOTES (Chicago Style)**
- ✓ Have a bibliography in Chicago Style that cites at least four academic books and **no more than two academic websites** (NOT Wikipedia!!).



2022 Research Paper Due Dates

Topic Proposal Due	You can change your topic right up to the moment of submission as long as you have consulted with Mr. Tidridge.
Thesis Statement handed in for evaluation	December 16 th , 2021
Discussion of Research	Throughout the Quadmester
FINAL COPY OF ESSAY DUE	11:59pm on January 25th, 2022

IMPORTANT

All papers must have a hardcopy AND an electronic copy submitted by the Due Date in order to be evaluated.

Electronic copies must be submitted via **THE HUB** to Mr. Tidridge no later than **11:59pm on January 25th, 2022**. Students may instead hand in a physical copy to Mr. Tidridge as long as it is in before the due date.

Once submitted, the papers will be forwarded to www.turnitin.com to be screened for plagiarism and/or formatting problems. If you have committed plagiarism your paper will be given an automatic zero and be referred to the Head of the History Department.