

AMH3341: US Food & Drink History**Research Paper Instructions****Paper Proposal Due: 03/15 (25 pts)****Final Research Paper Due: 04/26 4:00 pm (100 pts)**

Instructions: For your final research project, you will be required to research and write about some aspect of Florida, Tampa/Sarasota/St. Pete, OR your own family foodways.

First, select a recipe, food product, restaurant, or food tradition that you would like to research. You have a lot of flexibility in your choice, but it should be somehow related to Florida, Tampa/Sarasota/St. Pete, OR your own family foodways.

Next, you will conduct research about this topic in both **primary and secondary** sources, based on what you learn in our two research workshops.

- Primary sources include: oral histories (either those you conduct yourself or those that are available on the websites I give you), cookbooks, historic magazines, historic newspapers, government documents, and other original documents and objects. Most primary sources (excluding oral histories) are created in the past.
- Secondary sources include: scholarly journals or books written by historians and based on primary sources.

Once you have conducted your research, you will write a **1,000-1,200 word (or 5-6 page) essay** based on your research. Please adhere to the required length for each essay. You will be penalized for going under OR over that limit.

Your paper must be based on **at least five** primary sources and **at least two** secondary sources. In your paper, you are expected to discuss all of these sources. You are also expected to **footnote** all of these sources using the *Chicago Manual of Style*. I will provide you with examples.

You must submit your paper to Canvas by April 26th at 4pm, before we meet for class. In class, be ready to discuss your research informally with your classmates and your professor.

Extra Credit Possibility: On our final day in class, you also have the option to prepare a recipe related to your research. Due to COVID conditions, we cannot share recipes, but you could still bring it in or take a picture and describe your experience. *Worth 2 extra credit points on your final paper*

Note: Your recipes may NOT contain alcohol or any illegal substances. Also, please be sure to follow FDA food safety practices: (<http://www.foodsafety.gov/keep/events/index.html>)

Formatting: Your essay must be a formal essay, with an introduction, several supporting paragraphs, and a conclusion. It should be well-written and checked for typos, spelling errors, and proper grammar.

Your papers should be typed using Times New Roman, 12-point font, double-spacing, and 1-inch margins. Please include an unnumbered cover page and bibliography.

Grading Criteria: Your essay will be graded based on the following criteria: clear thesis; supporting arguments, appropriate use of evidence and sources; grammar and writing style; and a demonstrated understanding of historical facts and context.