

Portfolio Assignment and Description:

NO plagiarism.

Description: You will analyze a single story either periodically or pictorially from three different article sources. You will read the articles/pictures and attach the links or the photographs representing the story you have chosen. In one sentence you will describe the basic structure of the story and in the following sentences you will describe the similarities or inconsistencies in reporting from various periodicals. The differences you are looking for can come from the way actors or states in the story are described, from the vantage point of the story (capitalist, realist, liberal, Marxist, conservative, state-based, individual-based etc.), or from the editorial byline of the periodical (i.e. does the bias of the periodical stand out in their reporting, when compared to other stories?)

Objective: To critically analyze a single story from multiple periodical vantage points **(at least three).**

Number of Stories: 5

Format: Below I have included a sample of the photojournal, the article-based option can have the same format. Take the 5 stories (either pictorially or periodically at least three articles or pictures per story). Briefly introduce each story and note the differences and similarities in the reporting of each story. Representing this visually can be a challenging and engaging way to complete the assignment.

The format for your citations for the article can be found here (<https://www.citethisforme.com/us/citation-generator/harvard>) photographs only require the link. The preferred structure for citations is Harvard Referencing Style the description of which can be found in the link above.

Where to look for sources:

<http://www.foreignpolicy.com/> Foreign Policy is a news magazine that is published by the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Those that are skeptical of the CFR, its motives, and history have every reason to be dubious about the validity of this magazine as a source, however, I think it is a useful starting point in asking important questions about news and foreign affairs. The magazine also will send tailored emails every morning about issues important to our area of study. Peruse the website, find the Middle East Brief, or the FP daily briefing and see if it fits your notion of how news should be gathered, it is an important resource, if only as a starting point.

Several Periodicals (be skeptical of editorial byline, but feel free to use)

The Washington Post <http://www.washingtonpost.com/> The New York Times <http://www.nytimes.com/>

Politico (American News site, it can be valuable for Foreign Policy purposes). <http://www.politico.com/> (While I would by no means require you to link your email to these,

much like FB or Twitter, Politico has several early morning emails that can serve as the basis for further media exploration, specifically The Huddle, Playbook, and the E-Ring (Defense Department- focused).

Europe-

Der Spiegel (Germany) - <http://www.spiegel.de/international/>

BBC (The UK)- <http://www.bbc.com/>

Le Monde- <http://mondediplo.com/>

Latin America

Argentina- <http://www.buenosairesherald.com/>

Bolivia- <http://boliviaticimes.com/>

(Two very, very different perspectives on LA politics)

Middle East-

Al Jazeera (English or if possible Arabic) <http://america.aljazeera.com/>

Haaretz (Israeli- Left) <http://www.haaretz.com/>

Arutz Sheva (Israeli- Right-Center) <http://www.israelnationalnews.com/>

The Jerusalem Post (Israeli- Right) <http://www.jpost.com/>

The Times of Israel (Israeli- Center) <http://www.timesofisrael.com/>

The Lebanese Daily Star (A good daily with a searchable archive)
<http://www.dailystar.com.lb/>

Al Ahram (Egypt) <http://english.ahram.org.eg/Index.aspx>

Al Aribiya <http://english.alarabiya.net/>

Example Available in "example" file.