

## **First-Year Seminar (Wilson Section)**

### *Research Paper and Presentation Assignment Summary*

(Research Paper due at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, December 11; Presentations as scheduled.)

**Research Paper:** Papers are due as email attachments to me on Friday, December 11, by 8:00 a.m. Late papers will be penalized one grade per hour after the deadline. The research paper is to be 15-20 pages long if double-spaced; half that if single-spaced (your choice). The citation style is as we've practiced before: in-text citations and a references cited section at the end. For your convenience, I've reprinted our Research Paper Assessment Sheet on the back of this page. The style you use in your paper is your choice, as long as you meet the categories in the assessment sheet and follow our referencing format.

**Presentation:** The presentations are scheduled on our course website for the last two weeks. Each presentation is to be about ten minutes long, followed by a five-minute question-and-answer period. Each presentation is to be accompanied by a PowerPoint (or equivalent) slide show. Please arrive a few minutes early to class so that we can load the presentation and make certain it works. Please show your respect for your fellow classmates by arriving to class on time and asking questions when appropriate.

Good luck with these last assignments. They are the culmination of all the good work you've done in this course.

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Research Topic</u>
Will Gore	<u>Why the Idea of Chemtrails Has No Standing in Either Science or International Politics</u>
Matt Hartzell	<u>Who really was William Shakespeare?</u>
Ellie Howell	<u>Survival: The "Compelling Force" at Dyatlov Pass</u>
Eva Iannuzzi	<u>How the 1969 Apollo Moon Landings Were No Hoax — the Skeptics Are Wrong</u>
Amy Kim	<u>The Lost Continent of Atlantis</u>
Andrew Klein	<u>Conspiracy Theories about the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy</u>
Zach Lyon	<u>Nessie: The Plesiosaur That Never Was</u>
Mirkamil Mijit	<u>Are GMO Foods Produced by Governments to Reduce the Population on Earth?</u>
Kass Murphy	<u>The Slenderman Stabbing: Who is to Blame?</u>
James Rankin	<u>Darth Hitler and His Planet-Destroying Wonder Weapons</u>
Leah Ro	<u>Blood Type Personality Theory: A Relic of Eugenics in East Asian Countries</u>
Kenzie Rogers	<u>Astrology and the Supposed Mechanisms Behind It</u>
Isaac Shore	<u>Free Energy May Be a Possibility of the Future, But For Now It is Only a Conspiracy</u>
Aditi Sringeri	<u>The Glimpse of After-Life is a Result of the Brain's Shock After a Near-Death Experience</u>
Harrison Walls	<u>What Caused the Mysterious Collapse of World Trade Center Building 7?</u>