

ENG 208 Week 3 Task List

Week 3 -- 9/29 - 10/6

Welcome to Week 3!

This week we start looking at blogs and examples of student newspapers within CUNY. You are also finishing up you Blog Asg. #1, which is due on Thu. 10/1 (11:59 pm). Please post your assignment to your WordPress blog before that deadline.

****Complete each task or activity for our class by the deadlines listed below.**

Some activities are graded, marked with **GRADED**. Some like doing the reading, viewing the screencasts, clicking on links help you learn and understand(and complete the graded work).

****REMEMBER TO PACE YOUR WORK THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.YOU SHOULD DO ABOUT HALF OF THESE TASKS AT ONE TIME, for example, half the tasks from TUE. –THU. then the rest from FRI. –MON., at different days and times. Build a schedule that works for you. Our course is ‘asynchronous’ like most online courses in the 21stcentury, so you can have flexibility in doing the work. But you need to make time to do the work, which will take you several hours each week –in addition to the work of writing 6 Blog Assignments and creating an original piece on digital journalism (more on that later).It is not advisable (or even possible) to do all of the work in one sitting. Our online reading and activities add up to the equivalent of 3 hours of class time each week!**

**** CLASS TASK LIST / TO DOs – WEEK 3****

TASK

Check off each task as you complete it.

• OVERVIEW / COURSE GUIDANCE THIS WEEK

☐ **TO DO**

#1) View the [YouTube Video Lecture for an Overview of Week 3](#) and Introduction to the Course.

☐ **TO DO**

#2) View [Our Weekly Task List](#) (this document) to understand this week’s activities. It’s part of the Video Lecture as well.

☐ TO DO

#3) Finish your [Blog Asg. #1 - Responding to an Example of Digital Journalism](#).

Our first 'formal' blog asg. is to look and analyze one example of digital journalism using the prompt questions.

On Your WordPress Blog, GRADED, DUE THU. 10/1 (11:59 pm)

- ONLINE ACTIVITY – Exploring Online Student Newspapers @ CUNY

☐ TO DO

#4) Complete [Exploring Online Student Newspapers @ CUNY](#) On Google Forms

GRADED, DUE TUE. 9/29 (11:59 pm)

- ONLINE READING ACTIVITY – *Journalism Next*, Ch. 2 (on Blogs)

☐ TO DO

#5) Read this: [Journalism Next, Ch. 2 \(on Blogs\)](#)

☐ TO DO

#6) Complete [Online Activity: Reading Questions on Journalism Next, Ch. 2](#) On Google Forms

GRADED, DUE TUE. 10/6 (11:59 pm)

- DISCUSSION BOARDS – [forums208.publishproject.com](#)

☐ TO DO

#6) Post a 200-word response to the [Discussion Board forum](#) (Doing Journalism in the Age of the Pandemic) for this week.

You should have received an e-mail with your login for the Discussion Boards.

Your User ID is the first letter of your first name plus your last name (or names), up to 12 characters. For example: 'John Smith' = jsmith

Your passcode is the last 4 digits of your CUNY Student ID.

This information will be e-mailed to you at the e-mail address that is on file at CUNYfirst. If you haven't received this e-mail, please e-mail me at eng208.lagcc@gmail.com ASAP so

I can send you another copy!

On our Discussion Boards—GRADED, DUE TUE. 10/6 (11:59 pm)

- **OPTIONAL VIRTUAL OFFICE HOUR**

(For extra help) Virtual office hours will usually be offered on Tuesdays from 2 pm – 3 pm in Blackboard's Chat tool, so we'll have one on this week Tue. 9/29 from 2 pm – 3 pm.

Here's the link:

<https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/2d4753a171d8484ca2d34e2c4b7c86a2>

These sessions are 'public' to our class and will let you communicate in 'real time,' mostly for questions. If you have specific questions, you can participate then, or if you want help more privately, please just send an e-mail to eng208.lagcc@gmail.com at any time.

You will receive an e-mail reminder each week for this virtual office hour. This is NOT a required 'class session,' but an extra chance for help beyond the 'asynchronous' materials we have for our course each week, just like in-person office hours.

On Blackboard Chat – TUE. 9/29, 2 pm – 3 pm (Optional, not Graded)

ENG 208 – Intro. to Digital Journalism

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