

# Final Project

# The Wikipedia Option

The goal of the wikipedia project is to provide useful information to others who may be in search of it.

You should be aiming to make an article that if this topic was covered in class and you didn't understand it the first time, this would be a good first resource.

You're not writing the be-all-end-all review of the topic, but you should provide links to primary literature on this issue (and you should have read these sources yourself).

Figures and diagrams are usually very helpful, but be careful where you get them from. Wikipedia operates under a Creative Commons License, so anything uploaded there must be shareable.

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## New Page:

- I would recommend you create it first as a "draft" these are not deleted by the cleaner robots.
- Go to <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Draft:<topic>>

## Editing an existing page:

- I would recommend drafting the changes somewhere else. Sometimes the cleaner robots don't like half-complete updates.

In both cases, you're welcome to use my lab wiki to help draft your content in the wikipedia markdown language:

- [wiki.deblasiolab.org/Special:RequestAccount](http://wiki.deblasiolab.org/Special:RequestAccount)
- note I don't have all the citation templates installed

# The Term Paper Option

Since this document will be for my eyes only, I will expect it to be more detailed. I am not the same audience as those reading wikipedia.

Again figures, diagrams, etc are helpful. But you can't just copy them from the primary literature unless theres something that really can't be put in your own words (pictures).

Just like wikipedia, you need to include primary literature *which you have read*.

# How do I choose a topic?

What parts of the course so far have interested you most?

What did you want to know more about that we maybe just skimmed over.

What topics did I mention that I said something to the effect of "we may get to talk about this, but it depends on time" that you thought could be fun.

and/or What pages did you encounter on wikipedia during the course of this semester that you felt were lacking in details.

# Lets talk about it

Instead of office hours next week, I would like each of you to find a time to meet with me (it can be during the office hours slots since those will be open as long as no one has scheduled that time).

I would like to hear your thoughts on what might be interesting to you.

You don't need to have a solid idea, but if you can answer the questions on the previous slides that would help.

# Teams

You can work in *pairs* if you choose the wikipedia project with the following caveats:

- no two students in 5364 can work together (UG-UG, UG-GR, okay)
- you need to make it clear who did what work