HSVC 103-Introduction to Human Services
Final Paper and Presentation
The Current Issues in the Field of Human Services

Assignment Objective: To investigate a current issue of interest impacting the field of human services.

Course Learning Objectives
- gain a solid foundational understanding of the profession of Human Services to include the diverse settings, populations, and interventions available to the human services practitioner.
- identify social, economic, political and cultural factors within American society, which influence how human service problems are identified and how services and fields of practice are created to address these problems.

Assignment Instructions: As we begin to explore the field of human services, this assignment is designed for each one of you to focus on one current issue/trend/aspect in human services that you find interesting. This paper and presentation will reflect a review and research of evidence-based resource materials. You will research, select, read, and evaluate through the process of reflection, a minimum of three articles. These articles will come from a variety of sources to include newspapers, academic journals, news magazines such as *Time* or *Newsweek,* or web news sources such as *The New York Times*. Papers should include the following components:
- A title page in APA format (example provided)
- An introduction and brief summary of the issue including why you selected this issue/topic (one to two paragraphs)
- Statement of thesis-What idea or perspective do you want your paper to support? (one paragraph)
- Examples/details/explanations from your articles to support your thesis (one to two pages)
- Conclusion (one to two paragraphs)
- Reference Page written in APA format
  - Watch *The Purpose of a Citation* http://guttman-cuny.libguides.com/c.php?g=731975&p=5229419
  - APA in-text citations: https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_formatting_and_style_guide/in_text_citations_the_basics.html
  - APA citation guide https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_style_introduction.html

*All papers should be in APA format.

The following topics are general examples for consideration:

Health Care
Mental Health
Poverty
Family Services and Child Welfare
Criminal Justice
Substance Abuse and Addictions
Community Organizing/Community Collaborative
Adult and Aging Service
Domestic/Intimate Violence
Using the arts to support well-being
Utilizing nature to improve health
The importance of quality early childhood education
Community access to fresh food

Accessing Resources
Accessing Library resources off campus
Use Academic Search Complete
Why We Cite
Email library@guttman.cuny.edu to set up an appointment in person or on Zoom.
Access to New York Times and Wall Street Journal
Students can make writing appointments through the "Services" tab on Starfish.

Important Tasks and Dates to Remember
1. Review assignment and ask any questions you have.
2. Submit a topic for approval by the professor
3. Select and read the articles for your paper/presentation
4. Work on draft by final paper
5. Make edits based on feedback of paper
6. Submit final paper
7. Submit final presentation to Padlet (a minimum of five slides)
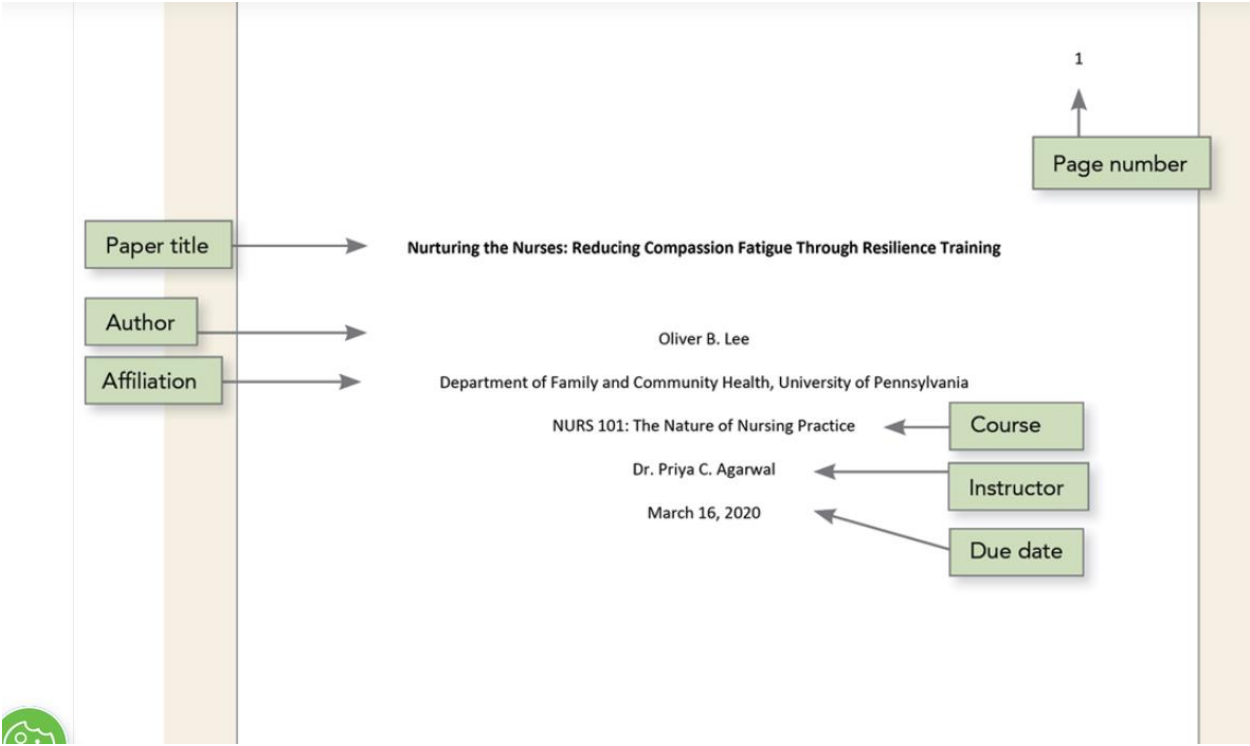   a. Presentation should be a minimum of five slides

b. Slide should include: (1) title slide, (2) an introduction of your selected topic, (3 and 4) information supporting your thesis, (5) conclusion on why this topic is important to the field of human services, (6) resources.
c. I encourage you to be creative and to include images.

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	18-25 Points	9-17 Points	0-8 Points	Comments
APA Format and Paper Requirements	Proper APA format is used. Citations and references are correct with little to no errors. Paper was 12 font, Times New Roman, and double spaced. Paper met minimum length requirements. Title page and reference page is written in APA format	Assignment requirements are somewhat met.	Assignment requirements are not met.	
Writing	Writing is clear, concise, and uses proper grammar. There are no spelling errors.	Grammar, writing, or spelling have minor mistakes. Sentences do not make sense and/or poor punctuation was used. Writing is erratic and not clear.	There are several grammar or spelling errors. Punctuation and sentence structure is missing or sporadic.	
Support of Thesis Statement	The assignment uses evidence-based research to clearly support the thesis statement.	The assignment somewhat uses evidence-based research to clearly support the thesis statement.	The assignment does not use evidence-based research to clearly support the thesis statement.	
Assignment Requirements	The paper is well-developed and detailed including all the required components listed in the assignment instructions including three evidence-based resource materials.	The paper is somewhat developed and includes some details. Most of the required components listed in the assignment instructions are included.	The paper is not fully developed and lacks details. Not all of the required components listed in the assignment instructions are included.	
				Total /100
	25-18	**17-9**	**8-0**	
Presentation Organization	All presentation guidelines are followed. Presentation is submitted on time.	Some presentation guidelines are followed.	Minimal presentation guidelines are followed.	
Creativity	Presentation demonstrates creativity.	Presentation somewhat demonstrates creativity.	Presentation demonstrates minimal creativity.	
Total				/50

Sample title page in APA format

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Paper title → **Nurturing the Nurses: Reducing Compassion Fatigue Through Resilience Training**

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NURS 101: The Nature of Nursing Practice ← Course

Dr. Priya C. Agarwal ← Instructor

March 16, 2020 ← Due date

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