

**CT231 Professional Skills I**  
**Assignment #1:**  
**ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY**

**DUE DATE:** **September 24<sup>th</sup>**, 2013

**SUBMIT:** Annotated Bibliography entries for two of your sources:

- Add to [Annotated Bibliography on Google Drive](#)
- Post to Assignment #1 on Blackboard

**MARKS:** 10 marks (out of 100 for the module)

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**1. CHOOSE YOUR TOPIC (by 17<sup>th</sup> September)**

- a. Select one IT topic to research during semester one. This research will provide the basis for your **Annotated Bibliography** (Assignment #1) and your **Report** (Assignment #2).
- b. **Select your research topic** from the [CT231 Topic List](#). If you don't find a topic of interest on the list, just add one to the end of the list.
- c. **Add your name** to the document *alongside the topic* (only one student per topic).

**2. SET UP YOUR TWITTER ACCOUNT (by 17<sup>th</sup> September)**

- a) Create a Twitter account (or use your existing one) for use in CT231. Be deliberate about your choice of **name**, your **profile** and your **photo** or **avatar**.
- b) **Follow @CT231** and **send a tweet to @CT231** so that the course Twitter account can follow you.
- c) **Send a tweet using the #ct231 hashtag** announcing which research topic you've chosen.
- d) Follow others and get into the practice of sharing links, resources & feedback on Twitter (*use #ct231 for share course-related tweets*).

**3. WRITE AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY (by 24<sup>th</sup> September)**

Write an **Annotated Bibliography** of sources you have used in researching your topic. This is an excellent way of summarising the critical reading and research you are doing. Follow these steps:

- a) **Read** the [Annotated Bibliography guidelines](#) discussed in class (and available on CT231 class blog).
- b) **Choose two relevant sources** from your research and write an Annotated Bibliography entry (citation and summary/annotation) for each:
- ONE source must be an academic journal article
  - ONE source can be any relevant article from an online publication
- c) Copy and paste your two **Annotated Bibliography entries** to the CT231 [Annotated Bibliography Google Drive document](#).
- Each **citation** must include author, year of publication, title, etc. (*as outlined in APA referencing guidelines*) and must include a hyperlink to the online resource.
  - All entries must be listed *in alphabetical order by author surname*.
  - Each **annotation** should conclude with [*your name*] in square brackets, so that you can receive credit for the assignment.
  - Follow the formatting used in the sample entry in the Annotated Bibliography Google Drive document.
- d) Copy and paste your two **Annotated Bibliography entries** to **CT231** on **Blackboard** (under Assignment #1). This will provide a backup in case there are errors or inadvertent deletions from the Google Drive document.
- e) Use **APA referencing style** for the citations.

*For guidelines in writing and referencing, please see the NUI Galway [WRAP page](#) (Writing, Referencing & Avoiding Plagiarism). To see how to write a citation in APA style for a journal article, for example, click the following options on the WRAP page:*

- > APA Referencing Style
- > Reference List: Basic Rules
- > Reference List: Articles in Periodicals