#### Research Project

A **bibliography** is a list of sources (books, journals, websites, periodicals, etc.) one has used for researching a topic. Bibliographies are sometimes called "references" or "works cited" depending on the style format you are using. A bibliography usually just includes the bibliographic information (i.e., the author, title, publisher, etc.). An **annotation** is an analysis and/or evaluation.

Therefore, an **annotated bibliography** includes a summary and/or evaluation of each of the sources. Your research project will be done using Google Docs. In your Google Doc, you must include a summary and assessment for each of your three sources.

**Summarize**: For this assignment, you need summarize each source according to the following five focus areas:

1. **Duties and Expectations** (What will you be expected to learn and do?)
2. **Earnings/Salary** (How much will you make? Will you get health insurance?)
3. **Working Conditions** (What will your work environment look like?)
4. **Preparation and Qualification** (How much schooling/training do I need?)
5. **Future of Your Field** (Will there be jobs when I finish with school?)

**Assess**: After summarizing your sources, you need to evaluate it according to the ABCs we discussed in class. Is the author/publisher an authority? Is it accurate? Is it biased? Is the information current? Does the source cover enough information?

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| Example:  Citation: "Nurse Practitioner Job Description." *Stateuniversity.com*. State University, n.d. Web. 7 Sep 2012. <http://careers.stateuniversity.com/pages/7745/Nurse-Practitioner.html>.  1. Duties and expectations: A nurse practitioner will review patient charts to assess medical conditions, manage other nurses, decide what kind of medication to put a patient on, and consult with doctors. Nurses also care for the physically and mentally ill, newborns, and aged. They assist registered nurses and doctors.  2. Earnings and salary: Median salary is about $82,590 a year. Nurses receive medical benefits. They will typically have some vacation days they can use.  3. Working conditions: Nurse practitioners have a lot of social interaction. They need to be responsible, they are exposed to diseases and infections, they always work indoors, they must be exact and accurate, and they usually work more than 40 hours per week. Nurses are normally always on call. The job is fast paced, prompt work. Nurses will be working with kids, teenagers, and adults of all ages.  4. Preparation and qualifications: A minimum of a bachelor’s degree as well as a license to practice as a registered nurse. Training usually lasts one to two years after receiving a bachelor’s degree.  5. Future of the field: This occupation is expected to experience much faster than average employment growth with a high volume of annual job openings. There is a very good chance of finding a job. Job growth within the healthcare industry continues to grow!  Assessment: I think that this source was pretty reliable. It was able to answer all the questions, and the answers matched up with all my other research. It was current, so the information was up to date. There was also no bias. However, it didn't tell me anything about the author, so I wasn't sure if he was eligible to write those things. |

Information cited from: <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/614/01/>

**Directions for the Google Doc:**

1. In your Google Drive, create a document and title it “Career Research Assignment.”
2. Include the following types of resources:

**1 print sources** (book, encyclopedia, pamphlet, etc.)

**2** **web sources** (websites, databases, etc.)

1. The citations in the Google Doc are written in MLA format. (Use citationmachine.net)
2. For each source, you must write at least one paragraph that **summarizes** and one paragraph that **assesses** (using the ABCs).
3. The five focus areas (listed on the front) **MUST BE** included in your annotated bibliography for full credit.

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|  | **Advanced Proficient** | **Near Advanced Proficient** | **Proficient** | **Approaching Proficient** | **Not Proficient** |
| Sources  W 9.8 | The bibliography has 1 reliable print source and 2 reliable web sources. | The bibliography has reliable sources, but may be missing the correct number of sources. | The bibliography has two or more sources that are reliable. | The bibliography has two or more sources that are unreliable. | The bibliography has resources from only one unreliable source. |
| Summary  RI 9.2 | All sources are summarized objectively according to the five focus areas. Summaries have many details about the source, including the main ideas. | All sources are summarized objectively according to the five focus areas, but lack some supporting details. | Most sources are summarized objectively (may have some bias). Summaries have most of the focus areas, including the main ideas. | Sources are summarized, but the summaries may be biased and lack necessary details in the focus areas. | The sources are not summarized, or the summaries are off-topic. |
| Assessment  SL 9.2 | The assessment addresses all five ABCs. | The assessment addresses four of the five ABCs. | The assessment addresses three of the five ABCs. | The assessment addresses two of the five ABCs. | The assessment addresses only one or none of the ABCs. |
| Writing Style  W 9.4 | The bibliography is clear and coherent. Paragraphs are organized using transitions and logical progression of ideas. There are no run-on sentences or fragments. | The bibliography is mostly clear and coherent. Paragraphs are mostly organized using transitions and logical progression of ideas. There are few run-on sentences or fragments. | The bibliography is somewhat clear and coherent. There may be some run-on sentences or fragments. Paragraphs are mostly organized. | The bibliography is not clear and coherent. There is an attempt to organize paragraphs. There are many run-on sentences or fragments. | The bibliography is not clear and coherent. There are many run-on sentences or fragments. There are no paragraphs. |
| Mechanics  L 9.2 | The bibliography is free from errors in grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation. | The bibliography may have a few minor errors in grammar, spelling, capitalization and punctuation. | The bibliography has many minor errors in grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation. | The bibliography has major errors in grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation. | Grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation errors make the bibliography difficult to read. |
| MLA Format  L 9.3 | The bibliography correctly cites all three sources according to MLA format. | The bibliography cites all three sources according to MLA format with few mistakes. | The bibliography cites most sources according to MLA format with few mistakes. | The bibliography cites most sources and attempts MLA formatting. | No attempt was made to use MLA format. |