

SCIE300 SSP2: Science and Society Paper

This assignment consists of the final version of your Science and Society Paper. The paper should follow the instructions given in the overview of the SSP assignment, and it should take account of the instructor's feedback on the SSP1 milestone. You are not required to follow the outline submitted in SSP1; you are encouraged to improve on that outline based on your own additional research and the instructor's feedback.

To obtain an excellent grade, the paper should adhere to the following guidelines:

- The paper should combine technical and factual content with societal or policy implications.
- The paper should contain analysis and synthesis of the sources, not merely summary of the sources. The introduction and conclusion should state clearly the contribution that you, the author, have made to the chosen topic.
- The length should be between 2500 and 3500 words. Feel free to exclude the bibliography from the word count.
- The target audience is US college graduates who majored in one of the sciences.
- The paper should provide evidence of research beyond the assigned course readings, some of which must be based on authoritative sources. See SSP1 for a more detailed discussion of appropriate sources.
- Include a bibliography and in-text citations, correctly and consistently formatted in any commonly accepted bibliographic style.
- Punctuation, spelling, and grammar are important.
- Factual and scientific accuracy is important.
- Clarity of technical explanations is important. Feel free to include charts or figures where appropriate.
- Structure is important. There is no single correct structure; use your own creativity and judgment in deciding how to structure your paper so the reader is both engaged and informed. Usually, this requires an introduction that provides an overview of the content and a conclusion that summarizes the content. The paper should provide smooth transitions and clear signposts to the reader indicating the topics being discussed and the logical flow of the argument.