

PSCI 497B Study Abroad

Final Project

Guidelines and Expectations

The final project must investigate how your study abroad experience is integrated with contemporary politics, policy and governance. We expect 1,000-1,500 written words, which can be, but is not limited to, a standard written report. Other options, chosen at the student's discretion, include submitting a blog or daily journal, creating a website, a photo essay, a mock newspaper article or opinion editorials, a poster presentation, a slide deck (created in Power Point or Prezi), a vlog/documentary/video (with accompanying written abstracts or blurbs), an audio recording of a mock radio interview with written transcript.

Given below is a detailed grading rubric:

Evaluation Category	Attributes
Organization (30 points)	The pattern of organization is appropriate for the topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronological • Spatial • Topical • Causal • Pro/Con • Problem/cause/solution
	Information presented is logically coherent
	Presentation is well-researched and referenced appropriately
Content (45 points)	Content is creatively articulated and presented
	Integration of coursework with the experience of doing research
	Demonstrates critical thinking
	Material included is relevant to the overall message/purpose that it should advance the reader's understanding of the topic
	Appropriate amount of material is prepared, and points made reflect well their relative importance
Presentation (25 minutes)	Properly formatted. Pay attention to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margins • Font size • Placement of graphics • Planning and attention to detail
	Properly edited, free of spelling, grammatical and punctuation errors.
	Visual aids are well prepared, informative, effective, and not distracting