

# PSCI 498C Civic Engagement Experience

## Final Project

### Guidelines and Expectations

The final project must investigate how civic engagement experience is integrated with political science coursework. 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/short 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
<b>Organization (30 points)</b>	The pattern of organization is appropriate for the topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chronological</li> <li>• Spatial</li> <li>• Topical</li> <li>• Causal</li> <li>• Pro/Con</li> <li>• Problem/cause/solution</li> </ul>
	Information presented is logically coherent
	Presentation is well-researched and referenced appropriately
<b>Content (45 points)</b>	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 is it should advance the reader's understanding of the topic
	Appropriate amount of material is prepared, and points made reflect well their relative importance
<b>Presentation (25 minutes)</b>	Properly formatted. Pay attention to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Margins</li> <li>• Font size</li> <li>• Placement of graphics</li> <li>• Planning and attention to detail</li> </ul>
	Properly edited, free of spelling, grammatical and punctuation errors.
	Visual aids are well prepared, informative, effective, and not distracting