

Guidance of answering the mid-term and the final exam questions

The mid-term exam is formed of four take home essays. The same is true for the final exam. They will be given to you separately and it will be distributed over a period of one month. Each question will be given to you after we finish a certain material. For example, the first question is given to you after we finished the introduction.

You will be given one week to answer each question.

When you finish answering the question email it to me. My email mibrahim@hunter.cuny.edu .

How to answer the mid-term exam questions:

1-Copy all of the information provided in the handout of the exam.

2- Change these point form into an essay form (I will post you an example of an essay)

3- Give at least 4 examples from peer-reviewed, books or UN or World Bank reports.

4- Insert the example in the appropriate place and make citation at the end of the example.

5- The general information needed to answer this exam, I already included that in the handout that I gave you. Therefore, the example has to be more specific and it could be taken from a paper talking about a country.

6- The example should be only one sentence and it has to be the result of that paper which includes figures or percentage of the effect of the example you took (i.e. desertification) on the country. For example, In Nigeria, desertification reduces crop production by 30% (cite the reference from where did you get this information – i.e. John 2010).

Another example, deforestation has cleared 3,000 acres on Sudan (cite the reference – i.e. Brown 2011)

7- Write the full citation at the end on the bibliography.

8- The four references that you used in answering the question should be written alphabetically in the bibliography.

9- I will post examples of the way you cite the references in the bibliography which is taken from different sources.

10 – Call me if you have any question 347-601-7760.

How to find examples to be included in the essay:

1-Use Google Scholar for the search of the example. For example, write desertification. You will see many papers in different countries. Pick one of them and take your example and write in full the citation of this reference in the bibliography (see the example of citation of references which I posted to you).

2- DO NOT use the net information because it is NOT credible. However, you can use Google for information from the World Bank or United Nation publications.

3- Citation of the reference in the text, it should be the last name of the author and the year of publication i.e. (John 2011). If they are two authors you write their last names (Brown and Henry 2009). If the authors are three and more, you write the last name of the first author only, and it can be cited this way (John et al. 2013). But you write all the names in the bibliography.