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Paper Assignment

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1. Assignment

Write a brief (more than 1500 words and less than 2000 words) original paper about the meteorology, effects, history, or other aspects of hurricanes. Your topic selection will be due in class on **Monday 02 October 2017**. Please no papers on Hurricane Andrew unless you have talked with me and I agree. The assigned date gives you all of October and nearly the first half of November before your first draft is due. **By 20 November** you must submit a **draft text to Turnitin**, and **by 27 November** I need to have a **final hard copy**. This assignment document describes the required format and is written in that format.

I will provide you with Turnitin login information, and I will have a copy of the Turnitin student manual if you need it to get started and I can offer some technical help. I will configure our class so that you can run your own originality check any time between now and the final due date, and I will view the reports as I grade the assignment. Acceptable papers will pass originality screening.

2. Formatting instructions

Prepare a title page like the one in this assignment with your paper's title, your name, the course number and date. The header at the top of each page should include the course number, title, and your name. Double-space the text using an 11 or 12 point font. Number the pages, centered at the bottom. Each section must have a bold-face header, numbered flush left. The text below is should be indented as in the body of the text. Staple the pages together at the upper left. It's easy to paste illustrations from online sources or scanned material into your document (and OK if you cite the source). If you have any artistic ability, I encourage you to use your own sketches. Pictures do not reduce the minimum word count requirement.

Key aspects of this assignment are gathering information, synthesizing it, and thinking critically to reach sound conclusions. I hope that you will draw upon your own experiences and expertise, but this

is not a “what I did last hurricane season” assignment. Tell me what it all means. I am requiring at least five outside references, other than the texts for the course. You may use Wikipedia or other on-line sources, but I am requiring at least two ink-and-paper references, which may include on-line articles downloaded from peer-reviewed scientific journals that have actual page citations or doi’s. The text of this document shows how I want the final paper to look. Note the embedded instructions for formatting citations and for reference formats at the end

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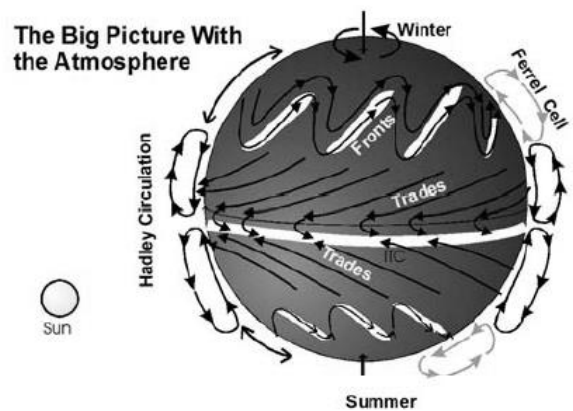


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4. Conclusions

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of running consecutively through a volume. Publications by the same author should be listed in reverse
chronological order.