

HSTR 207CS: Science and Technology in World History

WRITING STUDIO II Topic, Sources, and Your Ideas

In this writing studio, you will present your topic, a bird's-eye view of the issue you want to pursue, some ideas about how you might want to pursue it, and some of the sources you will use.

What is your topic and why do you care about it? What are the issues involved and how are you going to approach them? What are the sources out there, and which ones are you going to focus on?

In a two-page paper, please present the issue you are going to engage in your CiS assignment. In the first page or so, provide the reader with an overview of the issue, a bird's-eye view of the issue you have chosen. What is your topic? What are the issues involved? You may want to use an initial paragraph to describe the overarching topic, and a second paragraph to describe what you will analyze within the overarching topic. In the second half of the paper, describe how you are going to engage the topic. Why do you care about it? How are you going to approach it? You may want to talk briefly about how the topic has been approached, and how your approach may be different. You should end the paper with a paragraph of why you think the topic is so significant, the "so what" part of the topic.

Bibliography

In addition to the two-page paper on your topic, you are required to include a bibliography of the material that you found researching your topic. You should log into your ILLiad account, check that the personal information is correct, and then order articles/books on your chosen topic. If you have any questions about databases or ILL, please contact the library staff.

- a) Prepare a list of the books and journal articles published on the subject.
- b) Prepare a list of the databases, magazines, newspapers, blogs, or other sources you might be using.
- c) Interlibrary loan at least one book and one article that relates to your topic.