Argue for the Community: Implications for the “we” of community
Part 3: Annotated Bibliography

A large part of your research project is to synthesize personal interest, primary research, and secondary research, to establish an argument while also considering the rhetorical situation.

Your task: Identify secondary resources and explain their significance to your specific research.

I expect you to:
Identify your working, research idea (keep in mind this might change during the research and writing process)
Identify properly cited secondary resources (using correct citation guidelines)
Write 1-2 paragraphs of how the resource will be useful to your research essay
Use at least 4 scholarly resources (Subject Specific Journals, use U-M’s online database!)
Use at least 6 reputable, informed resources (NY Times, subject related authors, etc.)

Why?
So far you have learned and utilized basic elements of the rhetorical situation and may have also practiced using basic research methods. Taking what you already know, you are building on this process to develop your interests and research. As you continue in your college career and professional careers, you will be called upon to make decisions, explain, and defend ideas. This assignment helps you to practice these life skills.

Consider the following questions:
How is my research topic important within the global community: who cares?
Why is my project important to others? What do they need to know?
What have I learned from my primary research so far?
How will my secondary research compliment my primary research?
How is each resource purposeful to my research topic?
When reading your assignment, I will look for:
A clear and concise working thesis statement backed up by research
At least 10 resources listed in correct style format (MLA, APA, etc.) with an explanation (annotation) in paragraph form under each citation.
These annotations should be written in your voice, embodying your understanding of how the resource will specifically be useful to you.

Format:
12 pt. font
Double-spaced citations
Single-spaced annotations
At least 10 sources, listed alphabetically
Use correct citation guidelines

Schedule for main due dates:

Thursday March 13: Workshop annotated bibliographies; have a draft ready to share
Thursday March 20: Annotated Bibliography Due (hardcopy)

“Research is formalized curiosity. It is poking and prying with a purpose.”
-Zora Neale Hurston