Major assignment 2: Annotated bibliography

The second major assignment is to complete an annotated bibliography of materials. Although you will hand this in after your presentation, you should start working on it first — right now.

Choose a project for which you plan to publish a paper. 'Publication' for this purpose can include an international journal, a local journal, or 'internal publication' such as submitting your thesis to the university. Your graduation thesis is therefore an appropriate project.

Every time you read something related to your project, add it to your annotated bibliography. Write a bibliographic reference with all the information you would include in a list of works cited. Then write one or two paragraphs describing and evaluating the publication. You may also include ideas about how this work relates to your research.

The formatting of the bibliographic references should follow the recommendation of your department or a journal where you plan to publish your paper. If your department does not offer recommendations on format, follow the style of a prominent journal in your field.

The bibliography must contain at least four items (books, journal articles, or other sources), but will probably contain many more — everything you read related to your project.

Citations should be written in English. (If you read something written in Japanese or with another non-Latin script, write the author's name, the article title, etc. using romaji. This is called transliteration.) Annotations may use English, Japanese, or your mother tongue.

You may want to consult "The Annotated Bibliography" from Cornell University Library for more information.

Please ask the instructor if you have any questions.