

Peer Evaluation Guidelines for Religious Studies 2812 Websites

You are asked to evaluate five (5) of your fellow students' web sites. You are responsible for the five sites that follow your own, as posted on the course page located at www.ucs.mun.ca/~jporter/pop-culture.html.

Please be very conscientious in evaluating these pages, as yours and your fellow students' comments and grades will constitute 10 out of the 40 marks for this assignment (25% of the total assignment grade).

Please submit your grades, plus a commentary on why you gave the grades you did (approx. one page per website). I will average them out along with the grades assigned by other students, and the combined grade that will be given to the student along with my own evaluation.

I may or may not summarize your comments and give them to the student (anonymously), to help explain the grade they received. Your evaluations should be handed in no later than Nov. 30th (the sooner you can get your evaluations in to me, the happier I'll be...)

This assignment is worth 10% of your own grade, so please be careful and clear in your evaluations and comments. Assignments should be handed in no later than 3:30 pm on November 30th (class time). A hard copy is preferred; email is acceptable, but make sure I acknowledge receipt – if I don't, it means I did not get it.)

You should consider the following three things when evaluating the web page (break your discussion into the following three categories):

Content: assign a grade out of 10, based on how comprehensive you found the coverage of the topic, how well researched it was, how well written it was, how well referenced it was, etc. Was the material complete, well-written, engaging? Was there a conclusion that tied everything together? Was there a strong argument or "point" being made, and was it made successfully? Were sources properly cited?

Also, choose a few random phrases from each website and type them into google to check for plagiarism – if you find the site has plagiarized (copied text without citing it), please let me know by highlighting the words **PLAGIARISM SUSPECTED** at the top of the page.

Design: assign a grade out of 10, based on how well laid-out the web site was, how easy it was to navigate from place to place, etc. Was the organization of material logical, easy to follow? Was it clear where to start, where to go next, how to go forward and back? Could you navigate around the page easily? Was navigation consistent from page to page? Did all of the links work?

Wow: assign a grade out of 10, based on how visually appealing you found the site, how well it integrated multi-media with content, etc. Did the site have images, video, audio, extras? Was it unique, original, clever, cool? Did it have nice backgrounds, fonts, etc.? Was it easy to spend time on, fun to look at, listen to, etc?

Place your grade breakdown at the bottom of the page for each website as follows:

- Content: x/10
- Design: x/10
- Wow: x/10
- Total: x/30