

“Latin America in the News” Report

Due Dates: You will be completing a “Latin America in the News” Reports this quarter. The presentation will take place in class at 9:30 a.m., and the report is due on Canvas at 11:59 p.m. that evening.

- Latin American in the News Report = Monday 10/15

Points: 50 points

Instructions: Locate a news article about a current event in Latin America from one of the suggested news sources listed below. The article must have been written in either September or October 2018. You will then write a report of what you learned from your news article and share your findings with the class. You might need to find multiple articles about your current event in order to have enough information to write your report.

- **Step 1: Find your article.** Locate an article published in September 2018 or October 2018 from one of the online news outlets below.
- **Step 2: Cite your article.** Use the University of Chicago citation style.
- **Step 3: Summarize your article.** Write a brief summary of your news event. Include the most important information (Who, What, Where, When, Why) from your article paraphrased in your own words.
- **Step 4: Analyze the significance of the news event.** Whether you read about an event, law, court case, or a social or economic development, what do you think the impact of this event will be on Latin America? Why is this event significant?
- **Step 5: Present your findings.** Prepare a 15-minute presentation to share with the class.

News Sources

NPR	http://www.npr.org
BBC	www.bbc.com
Buenos Aires Herald	http://www.buenosairesherald.com
Los Angeles Times	http://www.latimes.com
Miami Herald	http://www.miamiherald.com
Washington Post	https://www.washingtonpost.com
New York Times	http://www.nytimes.com
CNN	http://www.cnn.com
The Economist	https://www.economist.com/
Al Jazeera	http://www.aljazeera.com/
El Universal (Mexico)	http://eluniversal.com.mx
El Nacional (Venezuela)	http://www.el-nacional.com
The News (Mexico)	http://www.thenews.mx/

Requirements

- 1,000-word minimum for the report
- 15-minute presentation
- September or October 2018 publication date
- Topic must be about a current event in Latin America, and not the United States
- Double-spaced, Times New Roman, 12-point font
- University of Chicago citation style
- Traditional narrative format with introduction, body paragraphs, and conclusion

University of Chicago Citation Example

Article with an author listed:

Charles, Dan. "In Search of a Drought Strategy, California Looks Down Under." *NPR*, August 19, 2015. Accessed August 20, 2015.

<http://www.npr.org/sections/thesalt/2015/08/19/432885101/in-search-of-salvation-from-drought-california-looks-down-under>

Article without an author listed:

"Yemen Conflict: Country on Brink of Famine, Says UN Official." *BBC News*, August 19, 2015. Accessed August 19, 2015.

<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-middle-east-33998006>

Grading Rubric

10	REQUIREMENTS	0
Report is at least 1,000 words and includes a University of Chicago citation. The article is from September or October, and is from one of the news outlets on the instructions.		Report is shorter than the minimum length or has not fulfilled the citation, publication date, and news outlet requirement.
10	WRITING	0
Report has been thoroughly		Report is still a "rough draft" and

proofread, is written clearly, and is in traditional narrative format.		needs further revision.
10	SUMMARY	0
Student has thoroughly summarized the “Who, What, Where, When, Why” of the event in their own words.		More explanation of the “Who, What, Where, When, Why” is needed.
10	ANALYSIS	0
Student has thoroughly explained what the impact of this event will be on Latin America.		More analysis of the significance of the event is needed.
10	PRESENTATION	0
Presentation meets the 15 minute length requirement.		Presentation was too brief.