**Module 3 - Case**

**Multi-Source Argumentative Writing**

**Assignment Overview**

**Multi-Source Argumentative Essay**

Length: no less than 1,000 words, double-spaced, Times New Roman, 12-pt. font size, one-inch margins

This essay is to consist of your own thoughts, words, and ideas **with properly cited and documented secondary sources as support.**

**Case Assignment**

For this assignment, you will write an organized and well supported **Argumentative Essay using three or more points of analysis.** You will be most successful writing on a topic that is of interest to you. The best ideas are topical; they are what people are talking about today. And remember that your thesis should be debatable; in other words, there has to be at least two sides to an issue for it to be considered argumentative.

A well-organized essay has a beginning, a middle, and an end. The beginning, or introduction, should include an **opening sentence** to grab your reader’s attention. Follow the opening sentence with a **brief background** on the topic or situation. The last sentence of the introduction is the**thesis statement.** The thesis states the main point of the essay, which in this case, would be a statement affirming the main point of view on the selected topic.

A well-supported essay includes **supporting points, details, and examples.** Each body paragraph must support (explain) your reasoning (rationale) using specific details. Each body paragraph must have a **topic sentence** that states the main point of the paragraph.

The **conclusion** typically summarizes the main points of the essay and/or closes with a lasting impression that connects the reader to their world.

**This essay must include a combination of no less than SIX in-text citations from two or more credible and reliable sources. Citations are to be a combination of direct quotations and paraphrased quotations with or without the author's name, and a Reference List in APA Style must be included.**

Be sure to **proofread** your essay and edit for proper grammar, punctuation, diction (word choice), and spelling, as errors in sentence skills will lower a final grade. A grade will be determined based on the Module 3 Case expectations and the Trident University General Education rubric for English.

**Assignment Expectations**

* Write an Argumentative essay (no fewer than 1,000 words in length) that states and supports an original thesis statement.
* Make and support an Argumentative claim in a well-supported, organized, and cohesive essay.
* Select credible and reliable sources for use in a well-supported and cohesive essay.
* Use a direct quotes, paraphrased quotes, and summaries in APA Style.