

Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science
Oceanography – Wnek
1st Quarter Paper

The first marking period will include a term paper due on November 2, 2011. An outline of your paper must be handed in by October 19, 2011. There will also be a rough draft due October 26, 2011. It is easier to do the paper step by step, rather than all at once. The goal of the paper is for you to develop science-writing techniques. The timeline is all for points: **outline worth 10 pts, rough draft worth 20 pts towards the final paper.**

The requirements for the paper will be listed below in terms of format and page requirements. The key topic will be based upon your course of study. It will be concentrated within the marine field in an area you wish to conduct a study, and must relate to **Global Climate Change**. You should take time to think about a topic that will answer a specific question in the field of oceanography. Be sure to make it a question that you can get information, yet not too broad, or specific. The paper is a requirement of the course and necessary to pass the quarter. General topics will not be permitted, nor will benefit you in the long run. It is recommended that the paper be related to the class research project topic. **All topics must be accepted by me by September 23, 2011.**

All of the following must be met...

1. APA format with a title page and works cited pages that are **NOT** counted in the total page requirement.
2. All papers must be typed (with an 11 or 12 standard font, not bold or expanded).
3. All papers will contain at least **6 full pages of written information** excluding the cover page, picture insertions or attachments, diagram attachments, or works cited pages.
4. All in text **citings** will be **APA** with author, internet citings, etc...
5. The right, top and bottom margins will be one inch with a 1.5 inch left margin on standard letter sized paper. Last names will be included on top right with page number on all pages, but the first page.
6. **Any direct quote more than four sentences will constitute a block quote**
7. No more than **one “encyclopedia” reference** could be used. **No Wikedpedia!**
8. At least **three journals** are required for reference. For example, Journal of Marine Biology, Conservation Biology, Ecology, Marine Mammal Journal. We will work on Rutgers University library visits. Use a journal that you will write a journal review as well.
9. At least **five total** references are required. Paraphrasing and direct quotes need citings.
10. Do not procrastinate. We will require work as you go along and we have citing information in the classroom that you could use. You will do well if you pace yourself.