

Hunter College of the City University of New York
Department of Geography
Geography of New York State
Exercise 6 - REQUIRED

Literature Search

Due by no later than Oct. 18, 2012; late submission will be penalized.

The purpose of this exercise is to locate information about each of your counties in the news and scholarly media.

1. Using Google or another Internet search engine locate **one article** or posting of significance for **each county** assigned to you. Limit your search to the last 10 years. Sources may be a local or regional newspaper, an electronic news forum or a professional or academic journal. You may also want to check the search engines available through Hunter's library: CUNY+, GEOBASE, GEOREF, SOCIAL EXPLORER and GOOGLE SCHOLAR for material in professional publications and academic journals.
2. Topics may include weather events, natural hazards, economic development, census data analysis, transportation issues, state and regional politics of a geographic nature, environmental issues, jobs and unemployment issues, NYS programs for development, and the like. Articles dealing with the historic perspective of places within the area may also be used.
3. **Print** each article or posting selected. Be sure to include the **proper citations**.

ASSIGNMENT: (a) Provide a summary of the essence of each article or posting in geographic terms using the *Five Fundamental Themes of Geography* as the guide. So in addition to summarizing the theme of the article or posting, ask yourself: "Where's the geography?" and then (b) describe how it is embedded. Each article needs to have at least one theme addressed. Attach the 3 articles to your analysis.

SOME HELPFUL LINKS:

<http://libguides.library.hunter.cuny.edu/geog260> - NYS class specific library link
<http://libguides.library.hunter.cuny.edu/geography> - Hunter College Library guide to research in geography and environmental sciences
www.50states.com/news/newyork.htm - NYS newspapers by city
www.newslink.org/nynews.html - NYS newspapers, magazines and media outlets
www.mondotimes.com/world/usa/newspapers.html?state=32 - newspapers
www.mondotimes.com/world/usa/tv.html?state=32 - media