

**THE GEOGRAPHY OF LONG ISLAND, NY**  
**Geographic Issues Facing Long Island**  
**DUE DATES**

**CLASSROOM DISCUSSION TOPICS** – be prepared with a pro and a con statement and/or two interesting tidbits that will facilitate discussion. A discussion exercise looks at a question, a point of view, or findings about a situation - past, present or future. Its purpose is to ponder a situation and get dialog going.

**DATE - TOPIC**

1. 02/14 - Creating a 51<sup>st</sup> state (or a 63<sup>rd</sup> county).
2. 02/23 - Reacting to rising sea level.
3. 02/28 - Sustaining open space.
4. 03/07 - Connecting Long Island to the mainland.
5. 03/14 - Preserving the “Gold Coast” estates.
6. 03/28 - Providing Long Island residents with power
7. 04/04 - Viewing Levittown 60 years Later
8. 04/11 - Dealing with the changing demographics.
9. 05/02 - Encouraging commercial development in eastern Long Island.
10. 05/09 - Evaluating the legacy of Robert Moses on Long Island.

***NOTE: If you would like to be the moderator of any of these discussion topics, I will consider it an extra credit exercise.***

**GRADED DISCUSSION PAPER DEADLINES**

1. **Physical issue** essay due no later than **FEBRUARY 28**
2. **Historical issue** essay due no later than **MARCH 21**
3. **Population issue** essay due no later than **APRIL 11**
4. **Environmental issue** essay due no later than **MAY 2**
5. **Economic issue** essay due no later than **MAY 16**

**>>>Any essay may be handed in prior to its due date.**

**EXAMS**

**Essay style exams; discussion of a choice of topics.**

**Midterm exam:** March 21 first hour.

**Final Exam:** May 23 full time slot

**TERM PAPER**

**Submission of a topic for approval:** due by April 11 (you may email me the topic and statement of intent)

**Submission of final draft of paper:** due no later than May 23