

HIS 3630 FINAL EXAM: ESSAY

“How are digital tools reshaping the teaching of history?”

Your objective is to offer a final statement on how digital tools are reshaping the teaching and learning of history by carefully selecting:

- ❖ relevant readings from this semester
- ❖ sources from the research you conducted for the two projects this spring (Digital Tool Product(s) with Lesson/Presentation Plan and the Omeka “Archiving the Past” project)

Goal(s) of the final exam paper:

1. **Explain** how digital tools are re-shaping the teaching and learning of history
2. **Share** how you plan on implementing strategies you learned this semester as a historian and educator (presenter).
3. **Select** relevant course readings to support your arguments and illustrate your future plans or approach to teaching history.

Requirements: ✓ X

- o **Choose** Length: 1,200-1,500 words (approx. 3.5 to 5 pages double-spaced)
- o **Choose** Format: 1” all around, Times New Roman 12 font.
- o **Choose** Sources-documentation: footnotes or endnotes (your choice). Chicago Style for footnotes/endnotes is required (see below).

A STRONG FINAL EXAM PAPER WILL POSSESS THE FOLLOWING:

1. **Choose** Clear response to the essay prompt
2. **Choose** Clear thesis/main argument in the opening paragraph (or at least early on)
3. **Choose** Strong selection of sources — from the course readings and your research this semester — that are clearly applicable to the essay prompt and support your arguments in the FE essay
4. **Choose** References to your two major projects this semester that are clearly applicable to the essay prompt and support your arguments in the FE essay
 - a. **Choose** Citations (footnotes or endnotes) accurately follow [Chicago Style](#)
5. A body of the paper that ...
 - a. **Choose** **is well-written** (no typos, not messy, no run-on sentences)
 - b. **Choose** **is well-organized** (clear topics), clear paragraph structure
 - c. **Choose** **makes smart use of supporting evidence** (cited)
 - ❖ *your* voice is clearly present; something worthwhile to say
 - ❖ you did not over-quote or reference others’ works without citations
6. **Choose** A conclusion paragraph with a succinct summary and final point

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- Choose** Submitted by May 8, 2025 - 10:30 am.

NAME:

GRADE: of 10 pts.

COMMENTS: