SHORT ESSAY- HIST 190	Emerging (F-D)	Developing (C-C+)	Proficient (B)	Advanced (A)
Content and development 50%	O-29 -Content is incomplete -no thesis statement -does not examine 2 sources from readings -Major points are not clear and/or persuasive -suggested questions are not used to structure assignment -specific examples are not used, no quotes	30-34 -Content is not comprehensive and/or persuasive -examines 2 sources but poorly -Major points are addressed, but not well supported -Responses are inadequate or do not address assignment -Specific examples do not support arguments and/or are not related to argument	-content is accurate and persuasivethesis statement and argument are clear, but maybe too broad or narrow -examines two sources from readings well, supporting the argument -Major points are stated -responses are adequate and address each question -specific examples are used to support arguments	-Content is comprehensive, accurate and persuasiveThesis statement and argument are strong examines two sources from readings, enhances the argument enajor points are stated clearly and are well supported exesponses are excellent, timely and address assignment including course concepts, expecific examples are used to support arguments.
Organization & Structure 20%	0-11 -lacks an introduction -organization and structure detract from the message of the writer -discusses only one source or discusses both minimally -paragraphs are disjointed and lack transition of thoughts	12-13 -paper has an introduction but lacks clarity -structure of the paper is not easy to follow -discusses one source more than the other, but both discussed -paragraph transitions need improvement -conclusion is missing, or if provided, does not flow from the body of the paper.	14-17 -paper has an introduction with minor clarity issues -structure is mostly clear and easy to follow -discusses both sources equally, with minor issues -paragraph transitions are clear -conclusion is logical	-paper has a strong introduction -structure of the paper is clear and easy to follow -discusses both sources effectively -paragraph transition are logical and maintain the flow of thought -conclusion is logical and flows from the body of the paper
Format 10%	0-5.5 -paper lacks elements of correct formatting -paper is inadequate/excessive in length -paper is not double spaced -paper is very short of length requirement	6-6.5 -paper follows most guidelines -paper is over/under word length (accepted length is 1000 words, a bit longer is okay)	7-7.5 -Paper follows designated guidelines -paper is the appropriate length as described for the assignment -format is good	8-10 -paper follows all designated guidelines -paper is appropriate length as described for the assignment -format enhances readability of the paper

Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling, Clarity 10%	0-5.5 -paper contains numerous grammatical, punctuation and spelling errorslanguage uses jargon or conversational tone -meaning is lost because of sentence structure	6-6.5 -paper contains some grammatical, punctuation and spelling errorslanguage lacks clarity or includes the use of some jargon -writing style lack clarity, or impedes the effectiveness of the paper	7-7.5 -rules of grammar, usage and punctuation are followed with minor errors -spelling is correct - writing style is clear, errors may occasionally impede effectiveness	8-10 -spelling and grammar are correct -writing style is clear and effective, minor errors do not impede the effectiveness of the paperlanguage is clear and precise -sentences display consistently strong, varied structure
Citations (Footnotes) 10%	0-5.5 -Chicago style is not used OR -paper has no citations.	6-6.5 -Chicago style is used but with some errors (include most information, but incorrect order, improper order) -some citations are used but not everywhere they are needed.	7-7.5 -Chicago style is used for all footnoted with minor errorsCitations are included for all referenced material.	8-10 -Chicago style is used for all footnotes without error -citations are consistently present wherever needed.