EVRN 332 Final Presentation Guidelines

(5-Minute Story Map presentation, due 9 December by 11:00 AM, 50 points)

For the Digital Presentation (a summary of the most important details from final paper), be sure to:

- Develop a coherent narrative that distills the significance of the law:
  1) Frames the historical context leading to the legislation,
  2) Identifies the bill’s sponsors and opponents—and their political goals,
  3) Explains how the terms of the legislation developed in Congress,
  4) Describes the compromises that went into its passage,
  5) Relates the material to broader themes within the course.

- Present the legislative history of your law in a digital format—synthesizing the research you did for the legislative history paper. You can’t fit everything, so don’t try; instead pick out the most interesting and important elements of the bill’s passage.

- You may work in groups, and we advise strongly that you consider doing so, as you may pool your knowledge and resources, as well as your creativity, and—hopefully—have more fun with the assignment.

Use the KU portal for ESRI Story Maps: accessible at http://ku.maps.arcgis.com

This is an easy-to-use and accessible platform for merging text, maps, and images. We will enter your KU ID into the network, and you can use any of the ESRI prototypes for your presentation.

A great guide (“cookbook”) for making a Story Map can be found on Professor Nancy Langston’s website: http://www.nancylangston.net/creating-story-maps.html

The ESRI Story Maps Gallery: https://storymaps.arcgis.com/en/gallery/

For a model of a Legislative History Story Map, see: http://arcg.is/WDz9z

MAKE CERTAIN TO FULFILL ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Include brief context for what preceded the introduction of the bill
- Introduce sponsors and other advocates in the House and Senate
- Introduce the legislation’s primary opponents
- Locate the opposition and proponents of the bill in place, and situate the issue within the nation (this is the mapping component of the project—and in many cases adds a new dimension to your narrative)
- Discuss the provisions of the original bill along with
  - Subsequent modifications
  - Conference committee changes
- Include final votes in the House of Representatives and the Senate
- Describe the President’s response (veto, signing statement, public comments)

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