**Foreign Policy Essay – Part 4 Writing Process**

**You will complete your research for the essay this week on Wednesday/Thursday. Your notecards are due in Monday 4/30/18.**

* **Crafting a Thesis/BTS** - Now that you have completed your research and created your research question we will start to work towards crafting your essay. In order to do this you must write a working thesis statement (we will have 3 re-writes). Furthermore, you will also create your body thesis statements. You must create two body thesis statements along with your thesis that will support your overall argument.
* Write your thesis statement on your thesis revision sheet.
* Write your BTS’s on the BTS revision sheet (found on the bottom of the TRS)
	+ You will need to provide your BTS’s along with your thesis statements.
	+ You may not need to update your BTS’s every time you turn in your revision sheet, but you still need to write them out.
* **Constructing an outline** – Now you have started writing your thesis/BTS’s you are going to write an outline. You will construct one three level outline. Please see the website for further instruction on how to create your outline. I will briefly review it in class.
	+ Your outline is due online (turnitin.com) and in class on Friday 5/4/18. In order to receive a stamp in class you must have a printed-paper copy. I will not let you leave during class to print a copy, and I will not accept the outline after the period.
* **1st Rough Draft –** Your rough draft should include the following:
	+ It should be MLA formatted – it should be double spaced, and have a proper MLA heading, and MLA header and page numbers.
		- Header/heading do not count against your word count.
	+ It should include a title.
	+ It should be 700 - 900 words.
	+ It should include the works cited (this does not count against your word count).
	+ It should include an introduction with a hook.
	+ It should include a thesis.
	+ It should include two body thesis statements, both of these should connect to your thesis statement.
	+ It should include evidence and analysis.
	+ It should include transitions
	+ It should include a conclusion, with a restated thesis statement.
	+ It should be in third person (it shouldn’t include words like you, I, your, me, my, we, etc…)
	+ It should not have contractions. (Example: weren’t is not acceptable, were not is acceptable)
	+ IT SHOULD NEVER INCLUDE A QUESTION.
	+ It should include sources from academically approved sources.
	+ It should include a works cited
	+ Your first rough draft is due online (turnitin.com) and in class on Tuesday 5/8/18. In order to receive a stamp in class you must have a printed-paper copy. I will not let you leave during class to print a copy, and I will not accept the first rough draft after the period.
* **2nd Rough Draft** – You will revise your first rough draft, it should include revisions to all of the aforementioned pieces for the first rough draft.
	+ Your second rough draft is due online (turnitin.com) and in class on Monday 5/14/18. In order to receive a stamp in class you must have a printed-paper copy. I will not let you leave during class to print a copy, and I will not accept the second rough draft after the period.
* **Final Draft** – The final draft submission window begins on Monday 5/14/18 and closes on Sunday 5/20/18 at 10pm. We will not discuss, or have worktime in class after Monday 5/14/18.

**Important Dates:**

4/25/18 – Research day in library

4/27/18 – Research day in library

4/30/18 – All research due

5/3/18 – Outline writing day in CPU lab

5/4/18 – Outline due in class and on turnitin.com

5/4/18 – First thesis/bts on thesis revision sheet due

5/7/18 – 1st Rough draft writing day

5/8/18 – 1st Rough draft due in class and on turnitin.com

5/8/18 – 2nd Thesis/bts due on thesis revision sheet

5/11/18 – 2nd Rough draft writing day

5/14/18 – 2nd Rough draft due in class and on turnitin.com

5/14/18 – 3rd Thesis/bts due on thesis revision sheet

5/15/18 – Stamp sheet due

5/15/18 – Thesis revision sheet due

5/14/18 – 5/20/18 Submission window for final draft