

**Extra Credit Option #5  
(2 points)**

“A man can do all things if he will” — Leon Battista Alberti

*The Ideal Renaissance Man*

The phrase “Renaissance Man” is used to describe a person who excels in a wide variety of subjects.

Read this biographical entry on Alberti:

<http://www.faculty.fairfield.edu/faculty/hodgson/Courses/city/Alberti/alberti.html>

Write a 500-word essay highlighting what makes Alberti a humanist model for the Renaissance. In your opinion, which other artist of the period deserves to be labeled a “Renaissance Man” and why.

Please submit your assignment via email to [scheng@citytech.cuny.edu](mailto:scheng@citytech.cuny.edu)

**DEADLINE: ASSIGNMENT IS DUE BY TUESDAY MAY 15, 2012  
(No credit will be given after this date)**

***You may submit extra credit assignments early!***

***An important note on plagiarism***

**PLAGIARISM WILL NOT BE TOLERATED IN ANY FORM** DO NOT cut-and-paste your answer from a variety of sources, you will receive NO CREDIT for such ‘work.’ If you have any doubts or questions about what constitutes plagiarism, please do not hesitate to ask me in class, in office hours, or via e-mail.