ENG1121, E115

Response paper 6 – research sources

Due: Mar 29

Because the prospect of writing a research paper can sound daunting, it’s important to keep in mind that most all of us do research about topics that we are invested in – whether it’s by investigating restaurants, apps, or release dates.

With response paper 6 we will begin thinking about where to go to complete research. Over the past few classes, we have read and discussed three selections from our textbook: Alan Glenn’s “’Paul is Dead!’ (Said Fred),” Robert H. Knapp’s “A Psychology of Rumor,” and Jesse Singal’s “How to Fight a Rumor.”

This assignment asks you to CONSIDER (but not answer) prompt #7 on page 522 of our textbook, copied here for your reference: “Research the new crop of ‘reputation defender’ services available to those who find their online identifies under siege. (Start by searching online with terms like ‘managing rumor.’) Based on your findings, discuss these services and explain how they work and why they may or may not be effective.”

To complete the **first component** of this assignment, please compile a working bibliography to reflect three sources you could use to answer prompt #7.

For the **second component** of this assignment, create a list of related academic topics that you could research should you be required to write a research paper related to rumors. Note! You will not be asked to write such a paper – the goal of this list-making is simply to facilitate discussion around how to approach academic research projects. Your list should include between 3 and 5 items.

During the course of your work, it is strongly suggested that you review pages 223-227 of our textbook, to familiarize yourself with what information should be included in a working bibliography, as well as pages 200-222 to ensure that you are well-versed in how to locate/vet sources. You may also conduct research through CUNY’s online databases (available through https://library.citytech.cuny.edu/).