**One-page written assignment on the Urban Ecology Tour at the Brooklyn Navy Yard**

**In a one-page single-spaced essay, discuss the following: Due Wed. October 19 (hard copies only)**

* 1) Explore the Brooklyn Navy Yard website and become informed about the range of initiatives and activities that are taking place there. Discuss some of the projects that are currently underway, many of which were discussed on the tour
* 2) Focusing on two features of the tour (ex: the Urban Grange rooftop farm project/the benefits of green roof systems; architectural re-design of old buildings; oyster reefs; promotion of renewable energy use and design; and the history of the Navy Yard itself), discuss the economic and environmental benefits of these . Please be specific.
* 3) During the tour, how did your experience of visiting and seeing an urban gardening project first-hand enhance your knowledge of projects like this?
* 4) Considering your own proposed research, discuss how first-hand observation and research might enhance your own project. Please provide specifics.
* 5)In addition, you mayalso post any pictures/thoughts on the Open Lab site by clicking on “class assignments,” scrolling to the bottom of the page.