

**Emerging Order****Research Paper Rubric**

Draft due Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Final Copy due Monday March 13<sup>th</sup>

In your research paper you should explore the theoretical and historical background of your project topic. Start with a general introduction motivating the research topic you are studying and placing it in context. You should clearly specify a research question you want to address, making it clear to the reader what your paper is about and what is the scope of your research is. In the body of your paper you should systematically present what you have learned from your research in a logical way with connected paragraphs. You should clearly define the terms you use and give background information about artists and scientists you discuss. You should finish your paper with a conclusion that specifically refers to the topics you discuss and perhaps points to other related topics that may be of interest.

Your paper should be ten double space pages in 12 point font. It should include a title and bibliography. You should including embedded graphs and equations where appropriate. Make sure to proof read your paper to ensure legibility, complete sentences, correct spelling and grammar, and properly formatted citations.

Turn your paper in with the following rubric filled out as a form of self-assessment:

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	Strongly Evident	Partially Evident	Absent
There is a helpful title.			
The introduction clearly defines the research topic and its scope.			
The body of the paper systematically addresses the ideas and topics given in the introduction.			
The material is clearly presented and explained, reflecting a thorough understanding of the research topic.			
There is a conclusion that relates to the ideas in the body of the paper.			
The writing is concise, grammatically correct, with clear and complete sentence structure.			
The paper is typed, double-spaced, with appropriately formatted footnotes and citations.			
There is an appropriately formatted bibliography.			