Assignment 4. Literature Review Part I and II



Directions:

- Step 1. Go on to Google Scholar (<u>http://scholar.google.com</u>) or another library-type search engine that you like (<u>https://www.worldcat.org/</u>).
- Step 2. Type in some search terms that are related to your topic. Retrieve 5 articles that are related to your topic (Part I). Make annotations / notes of the papers below.
- Step 3. For part II, add in another 5 articles and write ~3-5 paragraphs summarizing the findings of these 10 articles.

Important:

- 1) Try to make your literature review fact-based. The literature review should still be easy to read even if there were no citations in it.
- 2) Don't just say "so and so did this, so and so did that". Instead, include some substantive facts about the subject. Give the user some background about the subject (this can take a little bit more time). Below (a) gives us more information than (b).
 - a. "The average person takes 43 minutes to drive to work (cite, year)"
 - b. "Cite (year) measured the time it takes for people to drive to work."
 - c. You can also say: "The average person takes 43 minutes to drive to work (cite, year), as captured through GPS traces".

To turn in:

Part I: List your 5 references with bullet points of the main points, or just start your paragraphs (either is fine). Here is a way to cite each reference:

Raja, S., Ma, C., & Yadav, P. (2008). Beyond food deserts: Measuring and mapping racial disparities in neighborhood food environments. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, *27*(4), 469-482.

Part II. Turn in your paragraphs (including 5 references from Part I and 5 from Part II). Put your references at the end.

Extra If you use Chrome, this plug in is nice: <u>GOOGLE SCHOLAR PLUG IN</u>.

The <u>MSGIST handbook</u> has some information on writing (pgs 27 - 42: where the page number is typed out at the bottom of each page).