

**Research Paper Checklist**

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Your paper does the following:

**Writing & Format (10)**

- introduction, conclusion are present, clear
- information is well organized
- sentences are informative, serve a purpose
- writing is clear and understandable
- grammar (standard English) is correct
- spelling (Brit. or Amer. Eng) is correct
- borrowed/quoted information cites source
- citations are proper
- reference list included, correct form
- paper is 4-5 pages & pages are numbered
- draft was submitted

**Research (10)**

- topic is focused, specific
- thesis or research question is clearly stated
- sources are appropriate for the topic
- sources are reliable/scholarly
- Wikipedia is not used as a source
- the number of sources is adequate to address the topic

**Content (20)**

- content is accurate
- expands upon/applies larger thematic &/or methodological issues raised in class
- takes an anthropological approach to the topic
- points raised are factually grounded
- conclusions are based on the careful consideration of verifiable (empirical) examples
- displays critical thinking
- raises important questions beyond relying on the content of sources consulted
- maintains culturally relative approach and perspective (i.e., no ethnocentrism)