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Source-Based Essay: U.S. Imperialism in the Caribbean, Latin America, and the Pacific

Required Sources:

- Queen Liliuokalani [of Hawaii], [Letter to U.S. President William McKinley](#) (1897)
- Philippines President Emilio Aguinaldo, [“Case Against the United States”](#) (1899)
- S. President Theodore Roosevelt, [Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine](#) (1905)
- Maps: [U.S. Imperialism in Latin America and the Pacific](#)
- 2 scholarly library sources (book, ebook, or journal article) that you find

Prompt:

Imperialism occurs when a “stronger” nation takes over a “weaker” nation, by forcing its own economic, cultural, and political ideas onto the “weaker” nation, and assuming political and economic control. **During the late-19th and early 20th century, what imperialist actions did the U.S. carry out and how did these actions affect those in the Caribbean, Latin America, and the Pacific?**

Directions:

Students will answer designated questions using assigned sources. Papers will be 5-6 pages in length and will follow standard formatting (typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. Times New Roman font, 1 inch margins). The paper must reference relevant primary sources, include scholarly secondary sources from the library, be written in an essay format, and advance an argument.

Students must complete the following steps:

1. **Read the required sources** and take notes. Think about the prompt while you are reading, start to formulate an argument, and write down examples from the sources (with page numbers).
2. **Conduct library research** and find 2 or more scholarly sources related to the prompt and your argument. The sources should be recently published (1990-present). You can only use journal articles, books, or e-books from the [Cuyamaca/Grossmont libraries](#) or SDSU. Search for sources using the **Gateway to Research** search engine in the middle of the library home page. If you need assistance finding sources you can visit a Research Librarian in the library or see me during office hours.
3. **Write a 2-3 page outline** that includes the following information: the argument, the paragraph topics, and the examples from the library sources and required primary sources that will be used in your paper.
4. **Make a Works Cited page** with 2 scholarly, library sources and all of the required sources. Include a full citation for each source.
Outline and Works Cited page DUE 3/24 @ 11pm
5. **Write a 5-6 page paper** combining all required primary sources, 2 or more scholarly sources, and lecture material. Papers must be at least 5 FULL pages long and follow standard formatting (typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. Times New Roman font, 1 inch margins).

6. **Use and cite all of the required sources.** The primary sources, library sources, and lecture material **MUST** be cited in your paper using in-text [MLA-style citations](#) e.g. (Schaller 105) so I know where the information that you are discussing came from. In addition, to the 5 full pages of text, you need to have a [Works Cited page](#) listing all of

the sources used in the paper. Provide a full citation for each source including: author's full name, source name, publisher's name and location, and the publication date.

7. Students must upload their paper to the link in Canvas. DUE 5/13 @ 11pm

Extra Credit: Students who utilize the Writing Center to help them with their paper will earn 5% (1/2 a letter grade) extra credit toward their essay grade. Make sure you call for an appointment. Scan and send me the Writing Center form.

Checklist:

- 5-6 page length, used standard formatting (5 FULL pages = down to the bottom of the 5th page)
- Essay format: introduction, body paragraphs, conclusion
- Clearly written, proofread, and spell-checked
- Specifically answered all parts of the prompt
- Underlined argument and supported it well with at least 5 pieces of evidence
- Used all required sources and cited them correctly
- Submitted a Works Cited page with 2 or more library sources
- Sources listed in Works Cited page were all used in the paper and cited