Your assignment is to research and compose an annotated bibliography investigating any aspect of the history of U.S.-Latin American relations or U.S. Latin@ History. This assignment will serve as the foundation for your larger research project and Wikipedia entry.

The best annotated bibliographies will: demonstrate your skills at college-level research; evaluate each author’s point of view, argument, and use of evidence; demonstrate critical thinking skills in your analysis of each source’s links to the wider historical debates; and employ skillful writing to persuasively convey your conclusions.

The following criteria help to explain the different elements of my evaluation. I’ve evaluated each of these on a five-point scale (1=poor, 3=satisfactory, 5=excellent).

**Historical Research & Analysis**

- clear account of your research question & selection of evidence
- adept use of research skills in selection of varied, high-quality sources
- thoughtful critique of each author’s point of view & argument
- insightful analysis of each author’s sources & use of evidence
- concise treatment of subject without too much summary
- assessment of source’s contributions making links to historiography
- evaluation supported with specific examples from the text

**Communication**

- attention to the writing task (length, format, specifications)
- clear communication of ideas
- appropriate citation of sources

**Comments**