## Reflection

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## Tinian Dynasty Hotel and Casino Shut Down

Since the start of the fall semester in August of 2018, we were given a task of using the entire semester on conducting a research. I knew that I wanted to conduct my semester long research project on a topic relating to Tinian. I then decided to stick with our very first essay topic, which was a business topic essay. I chose to do a research project on the impact of the closure of Tinian Dynasty Hotel and Casino on Tinian. Since I come from Tinian, I liked how we got to have an opportunity to research about anything we are curious in and get graded on it.I was very passionate about this topic because I was given the opportunity to learn more about my island and dig deep into the controversies and problems of TDHC.

What I enjoyed the most about this project was that we got to write essays that will be part of our final research essay. Instead of stressing about writing it all again, all we had to do is get bits and pieces of every essay we've written. We were given a good amount of time for each essay assigned to us, so I was confident with most that I've written. My favorite essay to write was the process essay. I liked how we got to explain everything we did to gather data. It also allowed me reflect on everything I've done thus far. The entire class taught me how to write a proper APA formatted essay as well as how to write and put together a research essay. Learning how to write an academic essay now seems easier. The knowledge learned in this class will be very useful for my future classes.