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The whole semester consisted of one research project. This project expanded my knowledge in specific types of essays and academic writing, how to answer primary/secondary questions and search for information, how to cite resources and then, transform them all into APA format. I chose the topic of ‘Business in the CNMI’.

In the duration of this project, we had covered four different types of essays: proposal draft, which is an illustrative essay introducing your topic, a cause and effect essay, which discuses both sides to the subject (pros and cons), an argumentative essay, which specifies your findings and points of view, and a process essay, which is on what you did during the project (the step by step process/schedule). I prefer this method for the research project and the course. It has helped me break down my project more, that made me comprehend everything. The textbook for this course had helped a lot with APA formatting and descriptions of each essay.

I chose the topic of Business in the CNMI mostly because; I wanted to expand my knowledge on it. It felt important as I have just begun taking classes and majoring in Business. There are many topics that I know would have interested me as well, but I’m glad I stuck with this one and yes, I would like to learn much more to study it further. Academic writing is very important in a Business career, you would never quite know how little or how plentiful you would be doing, so

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it’s important to master. I’d admit I still have much to work on with essays and academic writing, but I have started to see my mistakes and hopefully, improving on them. One thing I’ve learned is that it really helps to get feedback, good or bad. Also, organization is key, in the future I will organize my time and findings more appropriately to improve my work.

My overall research project has taught me great things. Could I have done a few things differently to make it better, maybe so, but I did all I could do for now. I’m glad I have been able to turn as much in and hopefully, get a good grade! Business in the CNMI has had its ups and downs for many years, but in hopes, in the future the small, independent businesses remain significant. In this short amount of time, I have learned my faults in writing and comprehending certain things, and had a great time taking this online course.