General Advice for Students

1. **Pick a topic related to all elements of your coursework.** Synthesize the ideas from your completed coursework into a single presentation. DO NOT simply explain what you have learned in each individual course. This is the primary reason for student failure.

2. **Cite all appropriate sources.** Citing sources within your presentation allows the audience to better understand the contents theoretical background.

3. **Presentation should last approximately 20 minutes.** All students will have access to a laptop, video projector, and a flat screen TV. The presentation will take place in a conference room within the Phyllis J. Washington Education Center. Questions and discussion begin after the presentation has completed.

4. **Discussion should last approximately 30-40 minutes.** Typically, questions are asked in order to clarify content that is confusing for the audience. Please pay close attention to questions as they may indicate areas of the presentation that require editing. All students will have a chance to edit their presentation based on the audience’s comments.

5. **Prepare for success.** In the weeks approaching your formal presentation make sure to practice articulating your content. Consider inviting friends or family members to hear your presentation and ask clarifying question prior to the presentation date.

Thank you for your hard work and dedication – and good luck! You will do great!