

SAMPLE DISCUSSION POST:

UNIT 10

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DISCUSSION POST:

Professor and classmates,

In order to disseminate my message to a wider audience via social media sites, I would like to use Prezi or Kizoa instead of PowerPoint. This would allow me to present my research in a better light by giving it a more polished, professional, and appealing impression. Moreover, these formats would be easier to share via social media sites to a diverse audience. If I stayed with PowerPoint, I would like to add some voice-over narration to reduce the need for text on some slides and found some tips how to do so in last week's Writing Center reading "Creating Effective PowerPoint Presentations." I firmly think this presentation could generate a positive change in society and lead to better results as it impacts others.

I do think I will be more likely to advocate for change after taking this class. The learning activity "Introduction to Civic Engagement" notes that "a group of people working together to improve the quality of life in their community is known as civic engagement," and I know I want to make my community a better place.

This could mean creating awareness about a problem, which would be important for my idea that schools need to implement strategies for reducing bullying of special needs children. Teaching through literature is one approach, but so many other strategies could make a difference, too. Spreading awareness will motivate people to stand up for bullying victims, especially those with special needs, and demand their schools do more to address this problem. I feel this class gave me the tools I need to become a better persuasive communicator; in particular, I learned how to construct a persuasive thesis and make it specific for my audience and context. I also learned to write in a more formal third-person voice and find sources to support my claims, both of which will help make my arguments more convincing.

I have attached the revised presentation that I posted for the Unit 9 Assignment.

Kacey

References

Introduction to civic engagement [Video]. (n.d.). Purdue University Global Library.
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Purdue University Global Writing Center. (2018). Creating effective PowerPoint presentations. CM220 Unit 9 readings.

NOTE: THE SAMPLE UNIT 9 ASSIGNMENT PRESENTATION IS LINKED IN THE DISCUSSION INSTRUCTIONS.

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Hello Kacey,

I enjoyed your presentation along with the message as it is concise and clear. Also, the images are effective. Did you use Creative Commons to find images? I have employed it and found vivid pictures. I like your idea of converting the presentation to Prezi or Kizoa or adding voice-over narration to decrease the reliance on text on the slides, too.

The argument for change is succinct, but it could be further enhanced by incorporating an example that is current. Maybe looking up news stories about children who have been bullied because of their disabilities would be helpful.

I am so motivated to read that you want to make a difference in your community and help this population. You are right that expanding out to other communities will certainly lend more support.

I wish you all the best!

Tom

