

Country Presentation Guide

Introduction

Because this is a course that covers all regions of the world in a single semester, we are unable to get into detailed specifics of any single region, and certainly not into details of individual countries. The country presentation assignment will allow each student to research a country of their choice and present information to the rest of the class.

The Assignment

- Students will create a PowerPoint presentation with the materials they think best represents their country.
- The expectation is a professional looking presentation with substantive information.
- Presentations to the class will be held on June 4th. Many people dislike public speaking but this is a great opportunity to practice. The ability to speak confidently, clearly, and comfortably to an audience is a skill that is a requirement in most occupations these days.
- Presentation duration will be 20 minutes (this may seem like a lot but it really isn't)
- The student should be the expert on materials being presented (ex. If you describe economic figures or population measures, make sure you understand what they mean or why they are significant)
- The PowerPoint file is a submission requirement.
- If you wish to incorporate videos into your presentation, they should not exceed 5 minutes of the total presentation.
- Be sure to include pictures, maps, and charts as needed. Below is a list (by no means exhaustive) of the types of information that your presentation can cover:

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| Location | Area | Boundaries |
| Climate | Terrain | Natural Resources |
| Land Use | Natural Hazards | Environmental Issues |
| Population | Age Structure | Growth Rate |
| Life Expectancy | Ethnic Groups | Religions |
| Languages | Literacy | Education |
| Government Type | Administrative Divisions | Legal System |
| Political Leaders | Flag Description | Economy |
| GDP Composition by Sector | Labor Force | Imports/Exports |
| Debt | Foreign Investment | Communications |
| Transportation | Military | International Disputes |
| Refugees | Migration | Unemployment Rates |