

# *Creating Your ePortfolio Final Project*

As stated in the syllabus, your last assignment is to create an ePortfolio in Canvas. This is worth 25% of your grade. You will populate this ePortfolio with both new original content as well as existing content.

1. As a first step, explore the links below to familiarize yourself with the mechanics of creating your ePortfolio in Canvas.
2. Once you've created your ePortfolio structure, you're ready to begin populating your ePortfolio with content you previously created for this class:
  - a. Select the two video blogs you created for this course and add them to your ePortfolio.
  - b. You may also select a sampling of the forum posts you wrote (from any discussion forum in the class) that you believe represent your best work.

Now that you've populated your ePortfolio with existing content, it's time to think about preparing a synthesis of your learning in this class. What do we mean by "synthesis"? Synthesizing is a process of combining ideas from multiple places into a coherent whole. When you are synthesizing something, you are compiling information in a new way that reflects your own independent conclusions and analysis. In this class, we have discussed many diverse and often controversial subjects. It has been my goal and my hope that throughout this course you have learned more about how society works to create and maintain inequality. One of the best ways to reflect on what you have learned is to write about it.

Offline, in a word processor, write a 400-600 word essay synthesizing the class. Remember, you are not just paraphrasing or describing the research. Push yourself to go beyond your discussion posts by making new connections or offering new conclusions. You might use this opportunity to situate your videos in the content of the course more broadly, relate other ideas in the class to each other, draw out one or two themes that you think are central to understanding inequality, or explore how axes or concepts that we did not cover in class can be understood or are related to the material we covered.

3. Now, return to your ePortfolio and upload your essay. Look over all of the elements of your ePortfolio to make sure everything is intact.
4. Be sure to set your ePortfolio to Public. Beware that Canvas does NOT have an "instructor-only" setting, so other students in this class will be able to see your ePortfolio.

## **What is an ePortfolio?**

ePortfolios are a place where you can display a the your mastery of the material we have covered in class. You can use your ePortfolio to provide an overview of your educational experience and share your best work with instructors, fellow students, friends, family, and future employers!

## Get Help!

<http://guides.instructure.com/m/4152/l/40313-what-is-an-eportfolio>

<http://guides.instructure.com/m/4152/l/41370-how-do-i-create-a-new-eportfolio>

<http://guides.instructure.com/m/4152/l/41368-what-is-the-eportfolio-dashboard>

<http://guides.instructure.com/m/4152/l/59984-how-do-i-make-my-eportfolio-public>

<http://guides.instructure.com/m/4152/l/59986-how-do-i-use-the-eportfolio-getting-started-wizard>