

HY 406: Digital History Site Review Assignment
Due Fri. Feb. 19th, midnight

Basics:

- 3-4 pages
- 12-point font
- Double-spaced
- No title page required
- Turn in as a Word document to the appropriate dropbox on our course BlackBoard page

Choose a digital history site (it can be the site you reviewed for your blog post in week 3) and write a critical review. In the first part of the review, describe the site using Miriam Posner's three components of a digital humanities project (sources, processing, and presentation). This section will draw from your own observation and any 'About' page or protocols listed on the site by its creators. Then, assess how well the project does what it sets out to do. In the critique, you can draw upon the following questions:

- Who is the audience for the site? How do you imagine different groups (students, teachers, researchers, history buffs) using the site?
- Is the site kept up-to-date?
- Are there components that no longer work?
- Is it difficult to use?
- What do you think the site contributes to our understanding of the history it represents?
 - Do the visualizations or main components tell us anything new or allow us to think differently about the history being presented?
 - Could this just as easily have been a book or article?