

HIS 100 Theme 3: Learning Block 5-3 Historical Context Chart Rubric

Prompt: To understand your event, you need to understand the world in which that the event took place. First, list your research topic and the revised research question you plan to address moving forward. Then, choose two secondary sources related to your research topic and provide the citation for each in the chart. You may use secondary sources from previous assignments. Next, explain in the chart what the source tells you about the **historical context** behind your topic. In the last chart column, explain how the context provided by the source will help you write your **thesis statement**, answering your research question.

For this assignment, download and complete the [Historical Context Chart](#).

1. Choose two **secondary sources** that discuss two historical events that influence your research topic
2. Next, explain in the chart how the event impacted the **historical context** of your research topic
3. Lastly, describe whether the events support your **thesis statement**

Guidelines for Submission: Fill out the Historical Context Chart and submit the completed chart to Brightspace for instructor grading and feedback.

Critical Elements	Proficient (100%)	Needs Improvement (75%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Secondary Sources	Includes the full citation of all chosen articles in the chart	Includes the citation of all chosen articles in the chart, but citation is incomplete or contains errors	Does not include the citation of all chosen articles in the chart	20
Historical Context	Explains how the event impacted the historical context of the research topic	Explains how the event impacted historical context of the research topic but explanation lacks detail or contains inaccuracies	Does not explain how the event impacted historical context of the research topic	30
Thesis Statement	Describes whether the event supports the thesis statement from their research	Describes whether the event supports the thesis statement but description is vague or lacks detail	Does not describe whether the event supports the thesis statement from their research	30
Communicates Clearly	Clearly communicates key ideas and thoughts in a short answer response	Analysis needs clarification in order to support understanding of key ideas and thoughts	Analysis is not legible and key ideas or thoughts are not understandable.	20
Total				100%