

**History 411**  
**Digital History**  
**Reflective Journals**

On Tuesdays of most weeks, we will have assigned readings for discussion or as supplements for lecture.

**Reflective Journals**

Use approximately 4 pages per week total (i.e., whether we have a single reading or multiple ones, still use about 4 pages).

This should be divided between:

1. Reading notes summarizing key concepts and arguments from the reading (2-3 pages)
2. Your response to the reading (1-2 pages) This should not be “I liked it” or “I didn’t like it” – instead, you should express some thoughts on how or why the ideas or arguments of the reading are significant to the practice of digital history. How might it challenge assumptions or reveal problems in the field? Does the author make claims that you find illogical, or poorly supported? What interests or excites you about the reading? If multiple readings are assigned, how do they “speak” to each other?  
*(these are suggestions, not prescriptive questions. But journal entries should show real effort to think critically about the readings)*
3. One question or issue you hope gets answered or discussed in class.

Bring these to class every Tuesday; I will collect them occasionally to offer feedback.