JEP Reflective Questions
Assignment #5

Due Wednesday April 28th at 5:00pm
30 points (30% of reflection grade)

For your final assignment, we would like you to return to the Wikipedia page for University Park and develop an updated entry that reflects what you have learned about the neighborhood over the course of the semester.

This assignment is designed to measure your skills in critical thinking, analytic reasoning, problem solving, and written communication. We expect that you will need approximately 30-45 minutes to review the materials for this assignment and to respond to all of the prompts.

Please take your time with this assignment in order to prepare a thoughtful, thorough response. We expect your response to show growth and development and to demonstrate what you have learned from your experiences in JEP and in class over the course of the semester.

In order to get full credit for this final assignment, you must substantially revise your initial Wikipedia entry, drawing from the supporting documents, your observations of the community and, when relevant, course material.

Log onto your Blackboard account for JEP and click on the “Course Documents” link. (For some courses, you will need to click the “Assignments” link.) Open the folder for JEP Assignment #1 which contains all the documents you will need to complete Assignment #5:

1. Wikipedia page for University Park, Los Angeles, California (dated 8-9-09)
2. 90007 Census data and map
3. Daily Trojan article
4. LA City services
5. LA Times article (Univ. Park)
6. LAPD Crime Info USC & UCLA areas
7. SAJE-Figueroa Corridor

Part One (approximately 1 page):

Carefully review the Wikipedia entry for University Park (Document #1). Briefly summarize the webpage’s description of the neighborhood. Has it changed since your initial Reflective Question assignment? What does the page emphasize? Based on your experiences in the University Park community this semester, what do you think is missing from the description?
Part Two (approximately 1-2 pages):

Now, take some time to (re)review the information provided in Documents #2-7. How has your interpretation of these documents changed since the beginning of the semester? Does this information surprise you or change your impressions of University Park or your JEP assignment in any way? How could you use the information in these documents to edit or improve the Wikipedia entry for University Park? What, specifically, would you include from these documents? What would you exclude? What course content (e.g., lectures, readings, assignments, etc. from the course for which you are receiving credit for JEP) might you draw from? What other data or information, not available from the resources listed above, would be helpful to have in order to edit the Wikipedia page about the neighborhood?

Part Three (2-3 pages):

Drawing from the documents you reviewed for Part Two, the readings and lectures in your course, and your experiences in the community, develop a new Wikipedia entry for University Park. (You MUST revise the entry you developed for Assignment #1.) Structure your response as though it were a real Wikipedia page, organizing the information into 4 or 5 key sections. You may use the existing Wikipedia page’s headings (e.g., “The Neighborhood Today,” “Downtown or South Los Angeles,” etc.) or create new headings that reflect what you think is most important to emphasize. You may use existing text for the 8-9-09 Wikipedia page and/or edit it as you see fit.

PLEASE NOTE: Since many JEP students are completing this particular assignment and may refer to Wikipedia, please do NOT edit the actual Wikipedia page for University Park.

Please include all sections of your response in a single Word document and submit to your PA via Blackboard.