

Mini observation papers (4 of them): Mini observation papers are 1-3 page case studies in which you choose a particular code, function or theory of nonverbal communication and **observe or create** an interaction from that perspective (*do not use interactions you remember*). You should *briefly describe* the interaction and then *analyze the role* of the code, the *effects* of the nonverbal communication etc. Evaluate what you gain(ed)/learn(ed) by using this concept/theory within the interaction. ***Each paper is due when we cover that code, function or theory, so you need to plan ahead.*** You also need to do a brief informal report (3-5 minutes) on that night. You can only present one paper per night.

A brief paragraph about each of these should appear on your webpage before you present it in class.

Grading Guidelines:

D paper: Used a nonverbal theory, code or function from the textbook. Described an interaction.

C paper: See D paper plus: Some effort to apply the nonverbal concept to either change, create or analyze the interaction. 1-3 pages in length (double-spaced, 12 point font, 1 inch margins). Some analysis is offered – not just description of interaction.

B paper: See C paper plus: Effort to apply concept is appropriate, analysis is complete and relevant, interaction is NOT a memory; paragraph is on the webpage, informal report is succinct but complete and interesting.

A paper: See B paper plus: Insights are offered as to how the nonverbal concepts changed/improved/worsened the interaction or offered new insights into understanding the interaction/relationship.