Structure of the Paper

- Title
- Abstract
- Introduction
- Literature Review
- Research Methods
- Research Findings and Discussion
- Conclusions!
- Further Research (maybe...)
- Reference List/Bibliography
Structuring Bibliographic Research

- The 7 steps of topic analysis (aka the 7 pillars of bibliographic wisdom):
  - Systems and serendipity
  - Topic identification and description
  - Search vocabulary: the key(words) to the kingdom
  - Truncation – know your symbols!?!*#*
  - Call numbers – know your addresses
  - Search documentation – track your sources
  - Document assessment – know (and be able to defend) your sources
Making Friends with The UCSB Library

- General navigation and neat stuff on the top page
- Subject-specialist Librarians – your new best friends
- “How to "Guides – quick answers to important questions
- Significant/important/interesting/helpful databases (and how to get to them)
Some Examples of Databases

- **Multipurpose**
  - Digital Dissertations
  - Web of Science

- **Subject Specific: a very few examples**
  - Political Science: A Sage Full-Text Collection
  - Biological Sciences Database
  - Sociological Abstracts
Primary Sources:
Finding Buried Treasure

- Examples:
  - Diaries
  - Letters
  - Journals
  - Newspapers
  - Maps
  - Statistics
  - Government documents
  - Photographs
  - Etc., etc., e
Questions and Hands-On