**ENG 713: Digital Humanities
Final Project**

For your final project, you will select a digital method we have discussed - or a set of methods, if you wish - and create a project that explores that method in relation to your academic and/or professional interests. Given the latitude in designing something meaningful for you, every project will necessarily look different.

Here are some example projects, so you can have a sense of the scope we're aiming for - which will necessarily be small, given the time constraints of a six-week course:

* an assignment or assignment sequence designed to engage students in a digital humanities method.
* using Voyant or another textual analysis tool to interpret a text of your choice.
* comparing the results of two or more textual analysis tools using the same text.
* creating a map of a geographically rich text.
* engaging in social media analysis for an issue that you care about.
* doing a data visualization of information that interests you.

The key for designing a project is knowing what your research question is, why you want to explore it, what tools and methods you will use, what the affordances and limits of these tools or methods are, and what are the cultural or political ramifications of them.

**The project will be due on Thursday, July 15th by 11:59pm.**

Along with the project, you will submit a 5-6 page, double-spaced reflection paper. The paper should explain how the scholarship, experimentation, and discussions with which we have engaged influenced the design of your project. You should also make sure to discuss the following dimensions of the project:

1) What is the research question that motivates your project?

2) Why did you do the project?

3) What was your method and why? Which tools did you use and why? What are the affordances and limits of these tools and methods, and how are they implicated in culture and politics?

4) What are your conclusions about the project?

5) How does the project demonstrate your understanding and definition of digital humanities after having taken this course?