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### RESEARCH PAPER

Select a topic from the following list on which you would like to conduct an in-depth investigation:

- Information systems infrastructure: evolution and trends
- Strategic importance of cloud computing in business organizations
- Big data and its business impacts
- Managerial issues of a networked organization
- Emerging enterprise network applications
- Mobile computing and its business implications

Note: The above topics are also the basis of the discussion questions. You may use up to three resources found by yourself or your peers as resources for the paper.

## Research paper basics:

- 8-10 pages in length
- APA formatted
- Minimum six (6) sources at least two (2) from peer reviewed journals
- Include an abstract, introduction, and conclusion
- See rubric for more detailed grading criteria

Some good questions to ask yourself before turning in your research paper:

- Is the paper of optimal length?
- Is the paper well organized?
- Is the paper clear and concise?
- Is the title appropriate?
- Does the abstract summarize well?
- Are individual ideas assimilated well?
- Are wording, punctuation, etc. correct?
- Is the paper well motivated?
- Is interesting problem/issue addressed?
- Is knowledge of the area demonstrated?
- Have all key reference been cited?
- Are conclusions valid and appropriate?
- Are your references formatted according to the APA format?

## RESEARCH PAPER GRADING RUBRIC

Indicators/Levels

Criteria/Categories

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## **BA633 Information Systems Infrastructure**

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## HELPFUL RESOURCES

The Agile Architecture Revolution: How Cloud Computing, REST-Based SOA, and Mobile Computing are Changing Enterprise IT, 2013, Jason Bloomberg, Wiley & Sons, Inc., ISBN: 978-1-118-40977-0.

The Architecture of Computer Hardware and System Software: An Information Technology Approach, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, 2013, Irv Englander. Wiley & Sons, Inc., ISBN: 978-1-118-80310-3.

**Building a Windows IT Infrastructure in the Cloud,** 1<sup>st</sup> edition, 2012, David K. Rensin, O'Reilly Media, Inc., ISBN: 978-1-449-33358-4.

**Business Data Communications and Networking,** 11<sup>th</sup> edition, 2012. Jerry Fitzgerald. Wiley & Sons, Inc., ISBN: 978-1-118-08683-4.

**Business Intelligence: A Managerial Perspective on Analytics,** 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, 2014, Ramesh Sharda, Dursun Delen, Efraim Turban, and David King. Pearson Education, Inc., ISBN: 978-0-12-385126-0.

**Cloud Computing: Theory and Practice,** 2013, Dan C. Marinescu. Elsevier, Inc., ISBN: 978-0-12-404627-6

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**Mobile Design and Development**, 1<sup>st</sup> edition, 2009, Brian Fling. O'Reilly Media, Inc., ISBN: 978-0-596-15544-5.



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