CS305 Speech and Paper

- Need to start looking for a topic (or topics)
- Pre-talk slides and pre-paper due in 2 weeks
Topic and Content

- You may choose any topic from the scope of this course, i.e. social, ethical, and legal implications of computing
  - Avoid topics that are too broad
- Content needs to include both data and (your own) analysis
  - Can’t just copy and paste
  - Data sources need to be explicitly credited
Topics From Previous Classes

- “Implications of HP’s Miniature ‘Memory Spot’ Technology”
- “Piracy in the Gaming Industry”
- “On the Ethics of Exploits and Exploitation”
- “E-Voting Threatens American Democracy”
- “Implications of the ‘Roving Bug’”
- “Electronic Waste”
- “Shop Retail, But Buy Online”
- “Placing Our Lives in the Hands of Computers”
- “UMG vs MP3.com: the Ethics of my.mp3.com”
- “Email Monitoring”
- “The Identity Black Market”
The Paper

- Must be 1,800 – 2,200 words in length (5-6 pages)
- Should have
  - An introduction section that clearly convey the purpose of the paper
  - A main body that includes data and examples (and maybe some analysis) that you gathered
  - A “My Opinion” section for expressing your analysis and drawing your conclusion
- Should have at least 3 credible references being cited meaningfully in the paper
- Should be formatted according to the requirements
The Paper (cont.)

- What are Credible Reference Sources?
  - Scholarly books and publications  More credible
  - Government websites
  - Wikipedia (check for citations)
  - Newspapers and news websites  ↓
  - Non-profit organization websites
  - Commercial websites
  - Personal blogs  Less credible

- Formatting Suggestions:
  - Include a few subsection titles
  - Adjust text on both sides
The Speech

- Target for 10-minute presentation and 2-minute questions and answers (~ 8-10 slides?)
- Prepare the slides with PowerPoint
  - May include video clips if you want to
- Slides should be in “presentation form”, e.g. using bullets to outline meaningful points
- Should include the following slides:
  - Title, Outline, Conclusion, and References
Peer Grading on Speech

- **Quality of Content:**
  - Does it tell a “coherent story”?
  - Were the slides well-organized?
  - Where there good data and examples?
  - Where there good analysis and conclusion?
  - Are the data sources properly cited?

- **Quality of Presentation:**
  - Was the presentation audible and understandable?
  - Did the presenter answer questions well?
Submissions

- **Pre-Paper:**
  - Submit the title and an essential outline
- **Pre-Speech:**
  - Submit the title, outline, and conclusion slides
- **The Paper:**
  - Submit both a softcopy and a hardcopy by the deadline (the last class).
- **The Speech:**
  - Submit a copy of your slides *before* your presentation. Bring a USB drive to class.