

15.996 Cross-Cultural Leadership End of Course Paper

Paper – 5 to 10 pages

Due on the last day of class. You will present a summary of your paper in class.

You may do it on your own or as part of a small group, no more than three people in a group.

Compare/contrast some aspect(s) of leadership (the ability to influence people in a business context) from at least 2 cultures/regions.

Ideally, you will pick a topic that is useful to you. Write a paper that has value to you and your future plans.

- Do you plan to work in the country X after you leave Sloan?
Compare some worrisome aspect of leadership in that country to that in your native country and/or a different country
- Are you concerned about issues of access and status? Pick countries with different approaches and discuss the pros and cons.
- Was there a recent article/book examining the effectiveness of a particular business person? Analyze the cultural issues and discuss which aspects of this person's style would be effective/not effective in a different cultural situations.

Please contact me if you want to discuss potential topics with me.

Due by the 4th class – your topic and the names of the people in your group.