# Philosophy Behind the Grading of Term Papers

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## Geology 1901: Faces of the Earth

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<td>Must have a question or hypothesis to address; provide: (a) 2-3 pages of historical/scientific background, (b) 4+ pages discussing the evidence “for” and “against” the hypothesis, and (c) 3-4 pages of discussion/conclusion that show your answer to the question or your viewpoint on the hypothesis.</td>
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**TOTAL: 35 Points**