Writing Assignment
One of the central questions for this class drawn from Chapter 1 of *Introducing Global Issues* is: Are global issues a threat to humanity or do global issues offer reasons for hope?

Applying this question to the material on global security, address the following two questions in your paper: What is the greatest threat to global security? What area of global security offers the greatest reasons for hope?

Students must support their papers with material drawn from at least three readings from the chapters on global security from *Introducing Global Issues* (Chapter 2 by Lantis and Snarr on old issues and new realities, Chapter 3 by Lantis on weapons proliferation, and Chapter 4 by Kassem et al. on nationalism), the readings assigned by Shana for her class session on terrorism, and the graphic novel *WE3*. Students may also support their papers with news articles drawn from their current news reading of *The New York Times* (the articles do not necessarily have to be in the student’s news journal, but they should not search for older stories from before the semester started). The use of news is not required, but it is encouraged – especially when there are relevant current stories that fit well with the argument being made in the paper.

The paper should be 2-3 pages in length (not including the Works Cited page). Remember that students may choose to re-write up to two short papers to improve the paper. Revised papers will be re-graded, with the final grade reflecting an average of the two grades awarded.