Mini Essay 1 Guidelines

- Due: 2/1/2018 at 1 p.m.
- Submission: Submit this assignment in Canvas.

This assignment includes the following tasks:

A. First, conduct independent research on net neutrality. Choose two readings (not class readings); these could be newspaper reports or columns, books or chapters, academic journal articles, magazine articles, or YouTube videos.*

B. In your essay, answer the following questions:

1) What is net neutrality? Define this term in your own words. 
Suggested length: 1 paragraph*

2) How does net neutrality affect Internet users?
1 paragraph

3) How does net neutrality affect broadband Internet service providers?
1 paragraph

4) What are the contents of the FCC order on net neutrality from 2/26/2015 (which we learned about in class)? Who benefited from it, and who was hurt by it?
1 paragraph

5) What are the contents of the FCC order on net neutrality from 12/14/2017 (which we also covered in class)? Who will benefit from it, and who will be hurt by it?
1 paragraph

6) In your view, what is the most critical ethical issue surrounding net neutrality, and why?*
1-2 paragraphs

7) What are your thoughts on net neutrality? Take a position and develop your argument, citing the two readings that you found in your research.*
3-4 paragraphs

(A paragraph is usually composed of 4-5 sentences and deals with a particular point.)

Guidelines on Formatting

a. Write your name on page 1.
b. The font should be 12-point Time New Roman throughout the paper.
c. Use 1” margins on all sides.
d. The paper should be 3 pages total, double-spaced (not including the references).
e. The references should be on page 4.
f. Follow APA style (http://www.apastyle.org; "writing help - iu.pdf")*

* These topics were explained in class on 1/23/18.