

# Digital Technology and Culture 338

Washington State University, spring 2008

Assignments due for: **Feb. 13, 2008**

## Assignments:

[ ] Contact a professional media person (in newspapers, radio, TV, web page staff, etc.), not named Brett Oppegaard, and ask:

- “What part of your job is going to change the most in the next five years?”
- “What significant changes do you anticipate in the industry within 10 years, and then within 20 years?”
- “What about these changes do you think will be positive?”
- “What do you think will be negative?”
- Ask suitable follow-up questions, of course. Prepare an informal oral report that you will give to the class.
- Immediately post who your interview was with on the Google forum, so classmates pick other people to interview. No duplicate interviews allowed. Whoever posts first, gets dibs.

[ ] Contact another of your five sources (from your source list), for a brief interview, and post what you learned about your subject / topic from that discussion in inverted pyramid form. **Post it by the end of the day Monday, Feb. 11.**

## Readings:

- \* Rheingold's "The Era of Sentient Things," pgs 83-112.
- \* Talbott's "The Future Does Not Compute," pgs. 37-41.