

## Autobiographical Paper

**Context:** In today's and the following classes we will be extracting common stereotypes of scientists. To analyze how science and scientists are perceived, you will also perform interviews (see this daily assign. 1.). The purpose of this paper is that you learn about yourself and discover where your feelings and thoughts are in the wide spectrum of possible attitudes towards science and scientists.

**Content:** Think about what your feelings and thoughts are about science and scientists. Discover in more detail than "like" or "hate" what exactly attracts or repels you, leaves you untouched, intimidates or empowers you, etc. You might come across a mixture of feelings which are difficult to capture. Then think about what might be the origin of your attitude (environment in which you have grown up, parents, friends, some specific event(s), what you read or saw on TV,...). Write a 3 – 4 page long paper which reflects your answers to the above raised questions. You will share your paper with others in class on Sept. 1.

**Style:** There are no requirements for the style of your paper. You may want to use the "They Say, I Say" as guidance. While an introduction might work perfectly for a descriptive paper of your attitude and its origin. In other cases an introduction might be in the way - for example you might like to tell a story about a single event in your life.

**Deadlines:**

<b>Aug. 30:</b>	Sketch of Paper
<b>Sept. 1:</b>	First Draft of Paper
<b>Sept. 3:</b>	Second Draft of Paper
<b>Sept. 10:</b>	Final Paper