

Your Social Security Number

Homework (will count as a project grade)

Due: November 16

Research social security numbers on the Internet. Do not use Wikipedia. Answer the following questions or perform the following tasks as instructed. Copy and paste the URL of the web page you found the answer underneath your answer.

1. Why were social security numbers created and by whom?
2. Why do you need your social security number – what purposes does it serve?
3. Can you have all zeros or the number 666 in a social security card? Why or why not?
4. In what ways do NC community colleges use social security numbers?
5. In what ways do UNC-system colleges/universities use social security numbers?
6. Must you provide a social security number to complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)?
7. How do identity thieves obtain your social security number?
8. How do you get replacement card if yours is lost or stolen?
9. What happens when you get married – do you change your name on your social security card?
10. TASK: Actually email or call an admissions counselor at a college you are applying to or are interested in. Ask him/her if you have to provide a social security number when you apply, or if you apply for financial aid. Provide the name & number or email address of the person you speak with.