

Urban Agriculture - Permaculture and Local Food Systems

Assignment 1

Instructions

1. Please do this written assignment individually, and submit it to uag.uu@analys.urkund.se. Please name the file YOURNAME_Assignment1.
2. The paper is due by June 19, 23.00.
3. Size: 12, Spacing: 1.5, Font: Times New Roman.
4. Language: English.
5. The grades are Pass/Fail
6. Refer to the course literature (a minimum of 6 references are required). This must include at least 3 references from Paul Roberts' The End of Food, and 1 reference from any other course literature posted on the UAG course website.
7. In addition to the required references, you may of course refer to any other literature, course lectures, and documentaries which you feel are relevant.
8. The referencing style is Harvard. If you are unsure about the Harvard referencing style, the following website is useful: <http://libweb.anglia.ac.uk/referencing/harvard.htm>
9. Avoid plagiarism. More information can be found in the Urkund plagiarism handbook: http://www.urkund.se/EN/documents/Urkund_plagiarism_handbook.pdf

Please answer the following questions in 1000 words.

How sustainable is the current globalized food production/consumption system? In your answer you should discuss the following:

- why a global model has emerged, and its relative advantages and disadvantages
- how, if at all, it has changed our relationship to food
- its capacity to resolve the social, environmental and economic problems you anticipate in the years to come

Assignment 1 assesses your understanding of course learning outcome 2 – “Critically review and relate to different examples of urban agriculture in a global context.”

Grading Criteria

1. **Clarity**; the language must be clear and understandable.
2. **Argumentation**; the arguments must be relevant, adequate, and concise.
3. **Academic**; research methods and arguments must be anchored in scientific sources.
4. **References**; Harvard referencing style, used appropriately.

Please don't hesitate to ask Olivia or Chris if you have any questions. Good Luck!