Your Comprehensive Resource Portfolio

A resource portfolio is an organized compilation of resources and information related to sustainable energy: image a folder for each weekly topic, stored inside a portfolio or file cabinet for the course – that’s your resource portfolio.

I strongly encourage you to compile your resource portfolio online, for example as a blog, wiki, Facebook group, or website. The advantages are clear, plus it is a very useful skill to practice. Creating a blog is also easy, fast, and fun.

Resource Types
- Textbooks and ‘normal’ books
- Websites
- Movies, TV Specials, YouTube videos
- Newspaper articles
- Magazine articles
- Scientific papers and journals
- Reports
- Talks
- Case studies
- Contact information of experts
- Photographs
- Diagrams, figures, graphs, tables, sketches, etc.
- etc!

Portfolio Organization
Organization is critical: you want to document the resource and how to find it again – even 5 years from now. A brief summary/explanation/overview is also important (typically just a few sentences) so you remember what the resource was about.

- You should have at least 10 resources for each weekly topic from a variety of types. That sounds like a lot, but we will typically use, discuss, and share many resources each week in-class that you can use as a start.
- Please provide the following information for each resource:
  1. Name/title/date of the resource
  2. Author(s) or publisher(s) of the resource
  3. How and where to find the resource (= citation, if applicable)
  4. A brief summary/explanation/overview of the resource
  5. The resource itself (if applicable)

Start your portfolio immediately and update it continuously each week – that makes it easy, results in a professional product, and avoids panic at the end of the semester.

Confused? Ideas? Questions? Unclear?
Talk to me anytime, ask me for examples, or show me a draft.