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Enriching Scholarship 2019

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Shapiro Instruction Lab (Shapiro 4041)

Assignment 1:

1. Find a research output that is of interest to you that has received a good amount of Altmetric engagement this month, specifically in the form of news articles
2. Track down at least two of these news items, as well as the source research article.
3. Read the news items, and read (or “read” the source article) and consider the following questions:
 - a. What is the main argument/claim of the news item?
 - b. What is the main argument/claim/conclusion fo the research article?
 - c. What does the news item get right?
 - d. What does the news item leave out?
 - e. Is there anything that the news item gets wrong or mis-represents?

Caveats and challenges:

- Adequate time to review the research output?
- May take some time to find a news output they can access and a research output they can access
- News websites change links around and it might be hard to find the story

Assignment 2:

Use Altmetric Explorer to identify a prominent/influential “voice” on Twitter in a discipline that interests you.