**Food Security: Nebraska Case Study (Pre-Class Assignment, Unit 4)**

Readings

* Read about Nebraska climate and demographics here: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nebraska>
* Nebraska Agriculture Facts <http://www.nda.nebraska.gov/facts.pdf>
* US Census Bureau Quick Facts <http://www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/PST045215/00>
* Banthke, D., Oglesby, R, Rower, C. and Wilhite, D. Understanding and Assessing Climate Change: Implications for Nebraska. [http://snr.unl.edu/download/research/projects/climateimpacts/2014ClimateChange.pdf">http://snr.unl.edu/download/research/projects/climateimpacts/2014ClimateChange.pdf](http://snr.unl.edu/download/research/projects/climateimpacts/2014ClimateChange.pdf%22%3Ehttp://snr.unl.edu/download/research/projects/climateimpacts/2014ClimateChange.pdf)

Based on these readings, be able to answer the following questions.

1. How would you describe the ethnic and racial diversity in Nebraska?
2. What type of climate does Nebraska have? Is this an area that is good for growing crops and raising animals for food? Why or why not?
3. What type(s) of challenges would Nebraska face from climate change? How might this/these challenges impact the growing and raising of food, as well as distribution of food to rural communities?