

My name is Garrett Robinson. For the research analysis of project two, I plan to analyze the movie, *The Silence of the Lambs*, a movie in which a new FBI trainee, Clarice Starling, interrogates and speaks with the infamous, cannibalistic murderer, Hannibal Lecter, to try and solve the kidnapping of a young girl by Buffalo Bill. Hannibal Lecter is a former psychiatrist who developed Antisocial Personality Disorder, a condition coinciding with psychopathy and sociopathy.

In this project, I will apply Hannibal Lecter's disorder to the research question, "Is it accurate?" Looking at how Lecter portrays Antisocial Personality Disorder, I will compare his depiction to the scientific symptoms that have been observed and recorded for the actual disorder. I will also look at multiple specific cases of antisocial disorder that display both the rare, extreme qualities, and common, natural qualities to see if and where Hannibal Lecter falls on the spectrum of psychopathy.

This proposal has its hands in both my field of study and my area of interests to a decently large degree. In studying biomedical engineering and aspiring to study radiology, the idea of disorders and disease in general is a common topic and area that I will deal with being in the medical field. I may not specifically be dealing with patients of such disorders, but I will surely end up studying some similar areas and will most likely come across patients with mental illnesses at some points. As far as my personal interests, I feel like this idea touches home, A few of my friends back home grew up with some mental disorders, some less severe than others, but disorders all the same. It's an unbelievably harsh thing to go through, and I feel like my personality has been shaped around those kinds of things because I do have to be more sensitive and take such ideas into account. I feel that this project will be a perfect fit because *The Silence*

*of the Lambs* is one of my favorite movies, and the aspects that I plan on analyzing intertwine with my life very well.