

Research Proposal Rubric

Satisfactory or Above	Criteria	Focus for Revision
	Title: Your title helps your audience succinctly understand the scope of your project. Introduction: You provide a brief overview of a much larger and more complex research project. Background: The central research question you want to address is clear. In other words, you have a clear topic that is debatable or multi-sided. There is sufficient discussion of background information on your topic in order to frame your research question and provide context for your reader. Your Proposal provides a brief overview of the research you have thus completed and contains evidence of high-quality sources from your Annotated Bibliography.	

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	Significance: You sufficiently explain the problem or question that you will be researching and why a solution to that problem is important. Methods: You thoroughly describe the research methods you have used and plan to use to address the problem and find answers to your research question. Purpose: You've developed a specific solution to address the specific problem. You have an overarching thesis regarding the problem's solution (a discussion of your research aims, or what information you expect to discover in your research). Conventions:	
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	There is evidence of the use of rhetorical strategies in order to persuade your audience to accept your plan. You follow standard MLA formatting conventions. There are no significant errors in grammar or punctuation. The essay includes a Works Cited page that is properly formatted using MLA guidelines. The Proposal is three to four pages in length, not counting the Works Cited page.	
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