

# LITERATURE REVIEW GUIDELINES

## Midterm Project

### Searching and Referencing

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Teaching and Learning

### Topic selection and outline

Write a comprehensive literature review based on the topics and annotated bibliographies as developed, discussed and approved during our previous lessons.

The literature review should follow the *APA style* for in-text citations and references.

### The literature review consists of five parts

- (1) a brief introduction.
- (2) three to five relevant subtopics of at least two paragraphs each.
- (3) a brief discussion or conclusion highlighting key points of interest and/or knowledge gaps (if any).
- (4) brief suggestions for future research.
- (5) a reference list with at least 15 sources representing journals, books, websites, etc.

### Formatting

Spacing: 1.5.

Font: Times New Roman 12pt.

Length: 1,500 to 2,000 words.

Referencing: APA style (American Psychological Association)

## Grading

Grading is based on the 25-point scale rubric provided below.

25 points total (A  $\geq$  20) (B  $>$  17.5) (C  $>$  15) (D  $>$  12.5) (E  $<$  12.5)

A $\geq$ 20	B $>$ 17.5	C $>$ 15	D $>$ 12.5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 5 points – Clearly provides citations and references in the review.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Thoroughly but concisely presents main points in a well-organized manner.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sources represent various media, and diverse points of view are well-represented.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sentences and paragraphs are structured, engaging, thorough, and add greatly to the presentation.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Correct use of APA style.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 5 points – Contains citations and references in the review.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Adequately presents main points in a fairly well-organized manner.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sources represent various media, and diverse points of view are represented.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sentences and paragraphs are complete and adequate and add to the presentation.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Correct use of APA style.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 5 points – Contains limited citations and references in the review.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Presents main points but not as sufficiently and not as well-organized.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sources represent some areas of media, and diverse points of view are not as well represented.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sentences and paragraphs are choppy and somewhat lacking.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Correct use of APA style.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 5 points – Citations and references are lacking or unclear.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Does not sufficiently present main points and is not well-organized.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sources represent limited media, and diverse points of view are not well represented.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Sentences and paragraphs are choppy, lack content and fail to present a main point.</li> <li>▪ 5 points – Correct use of APA style.</li> </ul>