

Low Stakes Assignment #2: The Research Process Proposal

Before you start this assignment, make sure you've completed the Discussion Board assignment for this week. To start on your research process proposal, review your topic ideas again and choose one to focus on. Then, map out a plan for how you will start to investigate this topic.

Refer to the Newman Library database video and identify the databases you will use to start this research and also consider the key terms you will use as you search those databases. You do not need to begin the actual research now. At this point, you are only being asked to plan the research.

The Prompt:

When you have completed the above steps, write-up a proposal for Project 1. This should be a formal, 1-page proposal that includes a heading (with your name, the course title, your professor's name, and the due date) and a title: "Research Process Proposal."

The Format

Include the following in the body of the proposal:

1. A refined research topic, based on the general topic of media literacy
 - a. be clear about the specific topic within media literacy that you will explore in this project)
2. A plan for conducting research, including:
 - a. the 4-5 academic databases (you must name specific databases that are found within the Newman Library) you will access
 - b. 5-6 key terms you will use to search those databases
3. A set of questions you have at this point in the research process:
 - a. What kind of information are you hoping to find once you begin searching the databases?
 - b. What questions do you have about conducting research such as using databases, choosing key terms, and checking for peer-reviewed articles?
 - c. What other specific questions or concerns do you have?