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Project 1b

Literature Review (5-7 pages)

**Purpose**

Building on your work in project 1a, your goal for this assignment is to give a detailed overview of an ongoing conversation taking place within your discipline. This overview should take specific, credible, published sources and discuss/analyze how the sources relate to one another (think build, contradict, refute, expand, etc) while fitting into a larger discussion within the discipline. Your goal is not to argue or take any side on the issue, but rather to provide a clear and complete picture of what is being said and by whom. Once you have developed the big picture, you will also take your analysis one step further and suggest a gap in the literature, or a point for future research that might address a hole in the conversation, or add something to it that has been yet unsaid.

**Audience**

Fellow professionals/students working within your discipline.

**Method**

Using the library website, ask a librarian service, Google scholar, and other research tools discussed in class you will find published sources that deal with a current issue within your discipline. Sources should be published within the last three (3) years. Each source should be read thoroughly and it may be helpful to summarize each as you read (and after) in a 200-300 word paragraph. Using those summaries you will look for similarities and differences in how each source addresses the issue, and from there construct an outline to guide your literature review. Several sample literature reviews will be uploaded to Blackboard for you to examine, and we will practice constructing a literature review in groups during class time.

**Format and Citation Style**

Format will follow the style guide on Blackboard.

Citation system TBA.

**Research Requirements**

A minimum of ten (10) credible sources (peer-reviewed journal articles, published book chapters, or published conference papers).

**Tentative Due Dates (make sure to update from schedule as semester progresses)**

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