

Research Proposal

- Should be done early in process
- Way of figuring out what you have
- What you still need to find
- NOT an outline or draft
- Does assume that you've begun reading your sources
- Does assume that you've begun thinking about your topic

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- Identify the following items:
 - Thesis/research question
 - Specific arguments you will make
 - Understanding of audience
 - Purpose/focus – why do we need to know
 - Multiple sources/multiple authors
 - Persuasive or informative
 - Needs background/history/definitions?