

Your thesis statement must be an argument. Be bold. Test your thesis statement. If you could construct a statement that argues the exact opposite, it is likely you have a strong statement.

Step 4: Outline

Complete an outline of your entire paper. Make sure that you include a title for your paper that reflects your thesis. Include your thesis and topic sentences for each subsequent paragraph. Each topic sentence must either further the argument. There is not a required number of paragraphs.

Step 5: Write the First Paragraph

Write the introductory paragraph to your paper. Include your thesis statement in this paragraph.

Step 6: Submit the Final Paper

Make sure that your paper is polished. Make sure that you have carefully proofread your paper. The paper must be at least five full pages long. Title pages and sources do not count towards this total.

Grade Criteria for Final Paper

Criteria for an A

- Presents a clear and significant argument supported by evidence.
- Well written and clearly argued with few errors.
- Uses contextual information presented in lectures and readings.

Criteria for a B

- Presents a clear argument supported by evidence.
- Uses contextual information presented in lectures and readings.

Step	Due Date	Point Value
Step 1	9/10/19	10 points
Step 2	9/17/19	10 points
Step 3	9/19/19	10 points
Step 4	9/24/19	10 points
Step 5	10/1/19	10 points
Step 6	10/15/19	100 points
Total		150 points