

Essay 3: Research-based proposal argument

Your third major assignment for the term will be a research-based proposal argument. While you will be developing your own argument (as you did in the last paper), this time you will compose a proposal argument in which you explain a particular problem and call for a course of action as means of solving that problem (or argue against a course of action).

Format and Length: **5+ pages**, typed, double-spaced, 12-point font, one-inch margins

Sources: You will need **five or more** reliable sources found in the library and/or via primary research

To support your proposal, you will need reliable sources (found in the library or gathered via primary research) that do some of the following:

- Help you identify a problem
- Give context for the problem
- Review previous proposed solutions
- Justify the solution you propose for the problem
- Explain the feasibility of your solution
- Shed light on budgetary concerns
- Present reasonable counterarguments

You can use these categories as the subheadings in your paper

For more information about the format of a proposal, read pages 290-294 in "Everything's an Argument."

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- problem - specific ← age group
location

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solutions?