



## Sample Research Plan



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Drop-in to <b>Writer's lab</b> , Review assignment & brainstorm topic ideas	2 General topic & <b>background Research</b> . Narrow topic.	3 Create a search strategy & Start <b>Research</b> . Save & cite with <b>Zotero</b> as you go!
4 Begin <b>Research</b> : assign color coding to subtopics while highlighting key information & extract highlights with Read Write or LiquidText	5 Chat with a librarian For ideas on how to gather more <b>research</b> & find scholarly sources	6 <b>Writer's lab Appt.</b> Use Inspiration to create a mind map & convert to an outline. Develop Thesis.	7 Do more <b>Research</b>	8 <b>Writing</b> : Start Body paragraphs	9 <b>Drop in to Writer's lab</b> to review progress	10 More <b>Research</b>
11 <b>Writing</b> : Work on Body Paragraphs	1 <b>Writer's lab appt.</b> Edit body paragraphs.	13 <b>Writer's lab appt.</b> Work on Intro.	14 Do follow-up <b>research</b> . Extend ideas and add more data to paper.	15 <b>Writer's lab</b> Drop-in for edits. Focus on grammar.	16 <b>Writer's lab</b> Drop-in for edits. Focus on word choice.	17 <b>Writing</b> : Revise Draft
18 <b>Write</b> Conclusion. Create Bibliography With Zotero. Check citations following a citation guide.	19 <b>Writer's Lab appt.</b> Review works cited and conclusion.	20 <b>Writing</b> : Revise Final Draft	21 <b>Writer's lab appt.</b> Last Revisions	22 Drop-in to <b>Writer's Lab</b> for final touches	23 <b>Research Paper Due</b>	

## Make Your Own Plan

### Before you Begin

1. Review assignment requirements & the Research Tech Tips Handout.
2. Find the due date of your assignment. What day of the week is it?
3. Record the due date in the third or fourth row under that day of the week.
4. Fill in the #'s for the dates in the top of each square & label the month(s)

### Building Your Research Plan

5. Assign yourself due dates for tasks on this checklist.
6. Be sure to add any additional required components not on this checklist.
7. Adjust plan as necessary throughout the process.

First Week	Writing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Brainstorm topic ideas</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Do background research on a few topics.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Select topic &amp; do more research.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Refine or narrow topic.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Start a Color-coding scheme (see handout)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Research the topic.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Mind Map</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Thesis &amp; Outline</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Body Paragraphs &amp; Adding in-text Citations as you go</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Introduction</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Conclusion</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Bibliography or Works Cited</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Revisions</li></ul>

### Add Support

8. Schedule Writer's lab appointments for the following:

- Brainstorming
- Thesis & Outlining
- Midway checkpoint
- Editing Check
- Word Choice
- Final Revisions

- Schedule Writer's lab appointments for the following:
- Schedule Content Tutoring for researching & analysis of topic

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