

# How to do a Literature Review

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- ## How to do a Literature Review
- I. Project 2 Assignment
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- ## I. Project 2 Assignment
- A. Write a general introduction for the research you proposed in Project # 1.
  - B. Your Introduction should be 5-6 pages in length (7-9 for graduate credit).
  - C. The introduction should contain two things:
    - 1) a statement of your hypothesis
    - 2) a review of relevant literature.

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**II. Introductory Psychology Textbooks**

1. Helps you classify your topic into major areas (e.g., emotion, cognition, etc.)
2. Acquaints you with related research
3. May give you a closely related article.

Look up the citation in the References, and then look up the article.

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**III. Advanced Text Books**

(e.g., Social Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, I/O Psychology)

1. Once you know the basic topic, a more advanced book may have some related information.
2. May give you a closely related article.

Look up the citation in the References, and then look up the article.

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**IV. Experts in the Field**

Go ask other faculty members who know your area!

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## V. Computer Search

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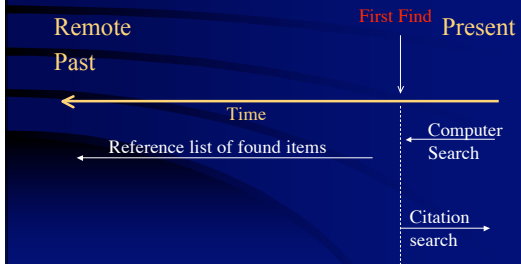
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## VI. Logic of a Search



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