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# Literature Reviews

## Rapid Academic Writing

# Literature Review Steps

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### Problem Statement

2-3 page summary of the gap in the literature, your review question, and why you think it matters to the audience you have chosen.

## 1. Define the problem



## 2. Literature Searching

### Methods Section

A detailed description of your review methods. Usually 1-2 pages.

## 3. Summarizing

### Annotated Bibliography



Detailed annotations and critiques of 3 sources. You will have more, but will practice the skill with 3.

## 4. Defining the argument

### Simple Outline

A simple outline is usually 1-2 pages, focusing on broad ideas that are just emerging and what your discovery and advocacy arguments will be.

### Extended Outline

An extended outline of 5-7 pages showcases your logical reasoning and the overall flow of your paper

## 5. Detailed Argument



## 6. Drafting

Seek feedback from experts, semi-experts, and non-experts. For us this is:

- **Draft 1** to peers (15 pages)
- **Draft 2** to Rick (20 pages)
- **Draft 3** to peers (25 pages)
- **Final version** to Rick

Communicate through visuals, publishing your paper, and presentations with visual storytelling.

## 7. Communicate your findings!



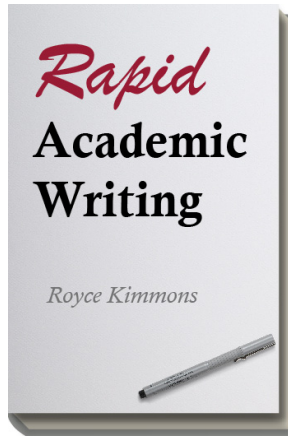
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