



Scheduling for Research Writing

Writing a good research paper takes much time and discipline. It is important to write a schedule depending on the length of time and the paper as required by the instructor. Each research schedule will vary depending on your needs as the writer. The following is a checklist that can be followed in research scheduling (please know that dates can overlap):

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Planning

Finish by

- Read the primary text (if needed)
- Analyze the audience
- Choose the topic
- Decide what format to use for the paper

Searching

- Make a working bibliography
- Use periodicals
- Use Online Database
- Use reference books
- Use electronic sources
- Make a preliminary thesis
- Make a preliminary outline
- Evaluate sources and take notes

Writing

- Revise preliminary thesis
- Revise preliminary outline
- Write the first draft
- Write the works cited page
- Revise the first draft
- Evaluate second draft with peer
- Write the final draft
