

Criteria for Grading Papers

I. Organization and Clarity of Paper---- How well is the paper written?

Is there a research question posed at the beginning that is addressed in the paper?

How well do the points in paper flow from paragraph to paragraph?

How well did student cite sources to support points?

Is there a bibliography?

II. Substance of the Paper---How well researched was the paper?

Did the paper use enough sources? A minimum of 7-10 sources would be good.

Were the cited sources as current as they could be?

If there is a debate on the topic, how well does the paper refer to the opposing views?

How well did the paper address the issues/research question posed at the beginning of the paper?