

NSG330 Research Methods

Paper 2

The Challenge!

Conduct a review of the literature and critique 5 primary-source, peer-reviewed, quantitative journal articles that address your clinical problem and a potential practice change or potential research proposal.
(5-10 pages).

Guidelines

Review of the literature (Paper Two) W

This section of the paper consists of 5-10 pages. Page length is determined by the complexity of the problem, the number of variables and the need to examine separate variables and bodies of literature (Cinahl, Medline, Psych abstracts, Sociology literature, and literature). Remember that you are confining your Literature Review to five (5) **full length, primary source, peer-reviewed articles---no abstracts, synopses/overviews of research, or secondary sources please (this includes meta-analyses).**

1. Introduce your Review of Literature stating that your purpose is to review selected literature pertinent to (your chosen area of interest).
2. Use separate paragraphs to examine what a peer reviewed journal article said about your variable/s of interest, what sample and method of study was used, what the findings were, and how this new body of knowledge is related to your research question. See “Critiquing Research Articles” handout in syllabus.
3. At the conclusion of your Review of Literature summarize how the findings help to inform you and give guidance toward meaningful, research based practice changes—which will be addressed in the third paper.
4. Use appropriate APA formatting citing all articles and authors in a Reference List. Do not plagiarize.