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### Article Evaluation

An article evaluation is a critical review of an article that has been published in a scholarly journal. The writer of an evaluation criticizes the strengths, weaknesses, and validity of the argument presented by the author(s) of the article. The critical paper will need to explain, analyze, and interpret the information in the article so that the reader of the evaluation can make an informed judgment of the article.

The full bibliographic citation may be placed at the beginning or the end of the paper, depending on the professor's preference. The citation style will match the format required (MLA, APA, or Turabian).

### What Should Be Included

- Any biographical information about the author relevant to the article, such as qualifications, authority, or professional position
- Article's intended audience
- Nature of the research
- Purpose of research
- Key definitions
- Overview of the sample, variables, and methods
- Author's main conclusions
- Author's suggestions for more research

### The evaluation:

- Does the author remain neutral?
- Are references recent and relevant?
- Are tables/graphs used effectively?
- Are the author's conclusions supported by the research?
- Has the author missed anything?
- Has the author fully accomplished the purpose of the study?