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Title of Your Paper

- This is your introduction section (1 page) – the title of your paper should not be in bold.
- Non-technical discussion about your topic and why it is important to study
- Will lead to statement of your general theoretical proposition and hypothesis

### **Article Critique**

- One empirical, scholarly journal article
- See Article Critique handout for details

## **Methodology**

- Begin with a re-statement of your hypothesis
- This section will be a combination of Assignment #2 (Methodology, Part I), Assignment #3 (Methodology, Part II), Assignment #4 (Methodology, Part III), and should remain in outline form.
- The data collection instrument designed as part of Assignment #4 will be placed in an appendix at the end of your research proposal.

### **Data Analysis Plan**

- This section will be a copy of your Assignment #5, and should be kept in outline form.
- You may of course make corrections to your analysis plan based on Assignment #5 feedback.

## Reference

**\*\* References always start on a new page \*\***

You are only required to list the reference for the article you chose to use for the Article Critique portion of your proposal; however, you may list other sources if you wish. If you list more than one source, the heading should be: **References**

APA Rules to Remember:

- Do not number your references
- Do not bullet your references
- Do not use first names, only initials
- Be sure to double-space your references, just as you did for the rest of your paper (but do not quadruple space between references!)
- List your references in alphabetical order according to the first author's last name
- When in doubt, refer to the numerous examples that are available to you

## **Appendix**

### Data Collection Form

(The actual form goes on the next page)

**NOTE:** If you have more than one form that you are proposing to use for data collection, you will need a separate appendix for each form (survey, questionnaire, or data coding form). Each appendix will need its own cover page like this one; instead of just writing “Appendix”, you will need to label them as “Appendix A”, “Appendix B”, Appendix C” (without the quotation marks).

**\*\* Place your data collection/coding form(s) starting on this page \*\***

- Your data collection form, whether a survey, questionnaire, or coding form needs to be presented in a “ready to use” state.