

General Guidelines for Evaluating Papers

Evaluating Content

Read the paper through holistically with the following questions in mind:

- Is the paper set up in the correct format?
- Is the thesis or main point/argument of the paper clear?
- Is the paper easy to follow? Does it flow easily from one point to the next? (Coherence)
- Does the student explain each point clearly and completely? (Development)
- Are all the pertinent points included, and are they arranged in a logical order? (Organization)
- Is the paper written in such a way that the sentence structure and vocabulary are appropriate to the topic and the level of the class