

PROPOSAL

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The purpose of developing a proposal is to encourage students to decide on a topic and to formulate a strategy for research that leads to a substantial writing output.

The proposal should be about 1 page (no more than 2).

The proposal has 3 components:

1. **Question:** try not to ask too broad or too narrow of a question. Instead of asking “is abortion morally permissible?” one might ask “is there a good defense of the moral permissibility of abortion from the continuity objection?”
2. **Motivation:** explain why this question is interesting and what implications it might have with regard to other issues.
3. **References:** provide a list of at least 4 sources (papers, books, news articles, etc.) that you will use to develop your paper. 2 sources can be from readings used in class, but at least 2 sources must be from outside reading.

Each reference should be accompanied by a short summary (2-3 sentences) followed by a reason you think this will be relevant to your paper.