

Essay Outline Template*

Preface (optional)

Introduction

Thesis Statement

1st Major Point

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
- Conclusion & Lead-In** _____

2nd Major Point

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
- Conclusion & Lead-In** _____

3rd Major Point

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
- Conclusion** _____

Conclusion

Postscript (optional)

*Candis Steenbergen & Robyn Diner, "A 12-Step Guide to Research & Writing: One Essay at a Time."