

**Essay Outline Template\***

**Preface** (optional)

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**Introduction**

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**Thesis Statement**

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**1<sup>st</sup> Major Point**

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**Conclusion & Lead-In** \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> Major Point**

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**Conclusion & Lead-In** \_\_\_\_\_

**3<sup>rd</sup> Major Point**

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**Conclusion** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Postscript** (optional)

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