

Writing about empirical research: Writing process overview

Generate ideas for your research project Research existing literature:

- Categorise literature according to subject matter
- Identify gaps in the research

Formulate your research question(s) Decide on a method: How will you address the research question(s)?

Plan and conduct your research; Work with your results:

• View, sort and categorise results

Present results in tables and graphs
 → How do they fit previous work and your
 research question?
 Identify errors in your research
 If necessary: Repeat experiments

Plan the structure of your text Write the first draft → How do your results answer the research question?

Distance yourself from your text and critically reflect on your results and their presentation in your text

Ask for feedback concerning content and text: supervisors, peers and/or people outside the field

Further develop your approaches and arguments Revise and improve the structure of your text

Edit your text with a focus on layout and formal text criteria (spelling, grammar, punctuation etc.). Create final draft and submit your text

