

## Area Evaluation Checklist

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<b>I. COHERENCE OF AREA</b> What is the area of investigation?	The researcher can speak and write about the area of investigation in a way that makes sense to others and is clearly understood.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>II. SCOPE OF AREA</b> What do you need to know to gain an understanding of the area of investigation?	The questions necessary to investigate for gaining an understanding require more than a quick review of easily accessed sources. The questions are reasonable enough so that the researcher is likely to find credible sources that address the issue in the time allotted for research.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>III. RELEVANCE OF AREA TO ARGUMENT</b> Are there multiple claims that compose the area of investigation?	The area of investigation is relevant to an argument because multiple claims can be made about that area of investigation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>IV. INTEREST IN AREA</b> Why are you interested in this area of investigation?	The researcher is able to communicate genuine interest in the area of investigation. Gaining an understanding of the area would be valuable for the student.	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Evaluate the strength of your selected area of investigation. Explain whether you plan to use this as your final topic and explain why or why not.

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