# Magnet Advanced Scientific Research IV Summer Assignment

## **About Advanced Scientific Research**

This course is designed to equip you with the essential skills and knowledge required for conducting your own research related to your internship. The summer work is design to develop two essential skills: mastering American Psychological Association (APA) 7<sup>th</sup> edition formatting and reading and analyzing published research. In addition, you will brainstorm potential research topics. You will have approximately 13 weeks to complete your research; it is helpful if you have an idea of the topic(s) you may want to explore.

## To receive full credit for Summer Assignment

Your <u>completed</u> and <u>printed</u> assignments (Part 1-3) that includes your name on all parts must be submitted to your Advanced Research teacher on the FIRST DAY OF FALL SEMESTER, <u>August 4<sup>st</sup> 2025</u>. This due date is for FALL and SPRING students. <u>Late submissions will not be accepted</u>. Be sure to follow all the directions to earn full credit. Be prepared to present your APA 7 guide and lead the class in a mini lesson that will cover your practice questions. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Dennis (<u>amanda.dennis@cobbk12.org</u>), Room 506.

**Summer Assignment Overview:** Carefully read the following information for each part of your summer assignment. Begin by typing your name in the header of this document. Next, save this document in a safe accessible location.

There are three parts:

- Part I APA 7 Guide and Practice Questions
- Part II Source Journal
- <u>Part III Brainstorming Topics</u>

> For **Part I**, you will need to create a separate file for the guide, practice questions, and key.

For Part II-III, you will type your responses within this word document. Do not delete or change the provided template. For printing purposes, there is no need to print the directions on page 1 of this document. You should print and submit the pages for Part II and Part III.

# Part I: APA 7 Review Guide and Practice Questions

In this assignment, you will create a comprehensive APA 7 review guide that highlights the most important aspects of each APA 7 criteria (See Below). The purpose of the guide is to provide a concise overview of the essential aspects of APA 7. The concise nature of the guide aims to give the reader key information and skills needed to apply APA style. Investigate common misconceptions or mistakes made using this style.

Next, you will develop <u>10</u> practice questions to accompany your APA 7 guide, designed to reinforce understanding and application of APA style. The **guide** should be organized, accurate, free of spelling errors, and <u>visually appealing</u>. Be creative – feel free to use any digital design applications, such as Canva; keep in mind you will need to be able to print this document. Also, keep in mind that your peers will actually complete these practice questions, so ensure that the questions and answers are accurate. The **practice questions** should provide clear instructions for each exercise and leave space for students to complete their answers. Be sure the practice questions cover the aspects of your assigned criteria and promote practical application. **Do not forget to include a key to the practice questions**.

### APA 7 Criteria :

| Reference List: Guidelines for formatting a reference list, including various types of sources such as books, articles, online sources, and more. |
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| Writing Style and Grammar: Be sure to address:  |
| <ul> <li>Active and Passive Voice</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>Conciseness and Clarity</li> </ul>   |
| In-Text Citations: Rules for various sources with examples.   |
| Tables and Figures: Detailing how to properly format and cite.  |
| Paraphrases and Quotations: Guidelines for incorporating sources.   |
| Plagiarism: Detailing definition and how to avoid it.   |
| General Paper Elements and Format of a Student Paper.   |

Resources:

- <u>https://apastyle.apa.org/</u>
- Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, Seventh Edition (2020) (not required text but helpful source to have)

# Part II: Source Journal

The source journal is designed to record key details and reflections from sources of your choosing. You are

responsible for completing entries based on sources that resonate with you.

Be sure to explore several different types of sources--check the list below for suggestions on where to start:

- Journalistic sources: Newspaper and magazine articles, or online articles from news and media organizations.
- Multimedia sources: Podcasts, Talks, educational videos, music, radio, and documentaries.
- Academic sources: Peer reviewed studies and experiments, academic articles, and interviews with subject experts.
- Other primary sources: Books (fiction or nonfiction), poetry, plays, art works, brochures, speeches, museum exhibits, historic sites, physical artifacts, etc.

#### You must have at least THREE SOURCES in your journal:

- TWO must be from academic sources.
- ONE can be any kind of source (including another academic source).
- The purpose of focusing on academic sources is that they will be the majority of your sources for your research paper.
  - Summary and reflection should be typed in your own words and in complete sentences. Attention: The summary should be 100 – 200 words. The reflection should be 100 – 200 words.

Include the following with each of the three entries:

| Source 1                |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Title of Article        |  |
| Title of publication    |  |
| Author(s)               |  |
| Date of publication     |  |
| URL                     |  |
| Type of Source          |  |
| APA Reference           |  |
| APA parenthetical in-   |  |
| text Citation           |  |
| Topics/Keywords         |  |
| Summary of piece        |  |
| (thesis and key         |  |
| point/conclusions)      |  |
| 100 – 200 words         |  |
| Personal reflection     | • What interest you about this source? What personal question do you have?           |
| Take time to reflect on | • What is something you found interesting, surprising, or worthy of further inquiry? |
| the source and answer   | • What additional questions emerge after reading this source?                        |
| at least two of the     |  |
| bullet point questions  |  |

| Source 2         |  |
|------------------|--|
| Title of Article |  |

| Title of publication    |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Author(s)               |  |
| Date of publication     |  |
| URL                     |  |
| Type of Source          |  |
| APA Reference           |  |
| APA parenthetical in-   |  |
| text Citation           |  |
| Topics/Keywords         |  |
| Summary of piece        |  |
| (thesis and key         |  |
| point/conclusions)      |  |
| 100 – 200 words         |  |
| Personal reflection     | • What interest you about this source? What personal question do you have?           |
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| the source and answer   | • What additional questions emerge after reading this source?                        |
| at least two of the     |  |
| bullet point questions  |  |

Source 3

| Source 5                |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Title of Article        |  |
| Title of publication    |  |
| Author(s)               |  |
| Date of publication     |  |
| URL                     |  |
| Type of Source          |  |
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# Part III: Brainstorming Topics

After completing all the source journal entries, you're ready to **thoroughly** reflect and narrow down potential research topics to begin investigating. Remember your research topic for your paper needs to be related to your internship. If you already have an internship, brainstorm topics in that field of study. If you do not have an internship, brainstorm topics you are interested in and/or related to your potential internship.

## **Topic Idea 1**

| Topic/Area of Inquiry                          |  |
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| I am interested in this because                |  |
| A personal connection I have is                |  |
| About this topic, I would like to know         |  |
| A problem/issue that<br>exist in this topic is |  |

# Topic Idea 2

| Topic/Area of Inquiry                          |  |
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| I am interested in this because                |  |
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| A personal connection I                        |  |
| have is  |  |
| About this topic, I would                      |  |
| like to know                                   |  |
| A problem/issue that<br>exist in this topic is |  |

# **Topic Idea 3**

| Topic/Area of Inquiry                          |  |
|--|--|
| I am interested in this because                |  |
| A personal connection I have is                |  |
| About this topic, I would like to know         |  |
| A problem/issue that<br>exist in this topic is |  |