

The main point of the first lab was to get a better understanding of how to set up papers effectively. To start a paragraph it is important to address a problem, issue or question. Then give a perspective on the issue that looks at a few critical areas. After giving perspective you should state your argument and then prove that argument by providing evidence. Shawn made an interesting point about how the brain likes novelty. So thinking about things in a new is helpful for creativity and making your paper interesting. If you are bored writing a paper, then your reader is going to be bored reading it. In the second lab I thought the important points where to organize things before you start writing. The hardest part is setting up your paper to start writing. You should organize ideas into categories, breakdown questions and identify which you want to address in what order throughout the paper. If you study information to the point that you find counter arguments and can address them, then you will have more material and ideas to draw from to write about. To get initial ideas of what to write about you should look at what you already know and when you research connect information together back to what you already know. The third lab we talked about evidence. You start with a claim within evidence. Then introduce the evidence by addressing questions such as where is the evidence coming from? Who is saying it? When is it said? What is the context? It is important to keep track of citations. After thinking about these questions you should provide interpretation. Interpretation is meant to explain patterns, explain its importance and how it fits into your overall argument. I have already thought about the structure of my papers using the information of the first lab and I plan on using the information from the second and third lab as well to write and organize my second paper.