

Methods Café - Paper Outline

Due End of Week 7

The purpose of the outline is to provide an early opportunity to structure the purpose, methods, key arguments, and initial citations for the final paper.

The topic/scope of the paper can be very open and designed with the supervisor to be appropriate to the student's level and goals:

- For an undergrad a detailed in-depth review of a method of interest.
- For a first-year master's student, a proposed research design combining one or more methods from the course to a Healthy Cities problem.
- For a PhD student, an applied thesis chapter using one of the methods, or a more in-depth, publishable review paper on applications of the methods learned in their field(s) of interest.

1. Research question or problem (5 marks)

- Clearly stated problem or research question to be addressed.
- Challenges current knowledge or gap in field.
- Addresses important problem.

2. Development of ideas (10 marks)

- Sufficient information to identify problem.
- Strong rationale.
- Demonstrates understanding of the problem.
- Logical flow of concepts or approach.

Grade out of 15: _____