

Researched Position Paper (TSIS page UTA-57) = at least 1800 words, max 3500 words

### OUTLINE OPTION I: from TSIS Ch 18 “Analyze This: Writing in the Social Sciences”

#### Intro section (150 words)

- A. “They say”
- B. “I say” ← YOUR CLAIM
- C. “So what?” and “Who cares?”

#### I. Literature Review of “They say” (300 words) [Note: Use your Mapping the Issue here]

- A. Background of the controversy
- B. The People (“stakeholders”): Allies and Opponents and Those In-Between

#### II. Analysis of “I say” (900 words)

- A. Reason 1, with Evidence and Warrants / Underlying Assumptions (300 words)
- B. Reason 2, with Evidence and Warrants / Underlying Assumptions (300 words)
- C. Reason 3, with Evidence and Warrants / Underlying Assumptions (300 words)

#### III. Objections of the “Naysayers” (300 words)

- A. What “They say”
- B. What “I say” as rebuttal
- C. What “I say” as concession (compromise)

#### Conclusion section (150 words)

- A. “I say”
- B. Effects (benefits of “I say” and negative consequences of “They say”)
- C. Recommendations

### OUTLINE OPTION II: The Raw Milk Model (but for an 1800-word RPP)

#### Intro section (150 words)

- I. Background History (300 words)
- II. Opposition’s Viewpoint “They say” (300 words)
- III. Rebuttal of Opposition (300 words)
- IV. Reasons for Claim “I say” (300 words) – with Evidence and Warrants / Underlying Assumptions
- V. Effects & Concession/Compromise (300 words)

#### Conclusion (150 words)

#### SOURCE DOCUMENTATION REMINDER:

\*Include a Works Cited page of sources used in your RPP essay. This should be the LAST page of your RPP essay file, as seen in the [MLA Style Final Draft Template](#). Use **any** of the sources from your Annotated Bibliography (minus the annotations).

\*Have appropriate in-text citation (based on your chosen publication venue) of your sources wherever you used them in your RPP essay. If you’re not sure, MLA style (whatever appears in the first position of the Works Cited source entry – either author name or “Article Title”) is your trusty friend.