

## Final Methods “Paper”

It's my goal to have you apply the *specifics* of what you learn in each course. In theory (COM 290), I have you write literature reviews, because that class focuses on how theory shapes our research and arguments for it. In this class (COM 390), you will write up solely the methodological parts of a paper.

You have now been a researcher!

You have (1) completed IRB training, the first part of being ethical and responsible, (2) actually conducted research by collecting data, (3) learned and practiced how to both code qualitative data (*inductive*, from your own categories created and *deductive/a priori*, from using the Master List) and enumerate it accordingly, and (4) learned how to run statistical programs (SPSS), read their results, and write it up in statistical notation. Did you realize what great research *rockstars* you've now become!?!?!?!?! I'm so thrilled with you all!!! Wooooooooooooo!!!!

Now, for the final step in being a true researcher... writing up the results. Every great study deserves to be published and you will now play that role!

You will need to submit the following in a paper, written in APA style:

- APA Cover Page
- Methods Section (I'll give you cites for your methodology)
- Results Section
- APA Reference Page

Grading Scale:

	<u>Points Possible</u>
- Quality/Correctness of APA	<b>30</b>
o Cover Page	
o Reference Page	
- Intro Paragraph	<b>5</b>
o 3 part present	
- Methods	<b>30</b>
o Everything accurate	
o Thoroughness of report	
o Statistics <i>correctly</i> presented	
- Results	<b>30</b>
o Thoroughness of report	
o Everything accurate	
o Statistics <i>correctly</i> presented	
- Conclusion Paragraph	<b>5</b>
o 3 parts present	