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**DIRECTIONS:** Open your internet browser and go to <https://owl.excelsior.edu/> to complete the following modules. Be sure to complete the modules on the specific days they are listed.

**\*\*Once you have reached the website, refer to the left-hand column titled “Writing Lab Navigation.” \*\***

**Monday, 9/24 - Complete Modules 1 & 2**

**Module 1: Narrowing & Developing**

* Under Research, you will complete the Narrowing and Developing Module.
  + This includes: Narrowing Process, Research Questions, See It in Practice, and Time to Write
* Time to Write
  + Follow the instructions under the Time to Write lesson:

You might need to first conduct a little preliminary research on the web to see what is being said on your topic. Then, try writing about your topic, listing everything you know in your journal or notes. From that list, see if you can find a research question—or even a few research questions—you might like to explore. Write those questions down. Which one is most interesting to you? Which one will also work for your assignment?

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**Module 2: Research Strategies**

* Under Research, you will complete the Research Strategies Module.
  + This includes: Database Searching, Internet Searching, See It in Practice, and Time to Write
* Time to Write
  + Follow the instructions under the Time to Write lesson. **Use the space below to keep track of the helpful sources you find.**

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***Note: Once you finish, work on your Preliminary Research Worksheet.***

**Tuesday, 9/25 - Complete Module 3**

**Module 3: Evaluating Sources**

* Under Research, you will complete the Evaluating Sources Module.
  + This includes: Source Suitability, Authorship & Authority, Evaluating Sources: Documentation, Timely Sources, Evaluating Online Sources, Evaluation Checklist, See It in Practice, and Time to Write
* Time to Write
  + Follow the instructions under the Time to Write lesson. **YOU MUST COMPLETE THE EVALUATION CHECKLIST FOR EACH SOURCE**. Click on the Evaluation Checklist to open it in a new page. You will then be able to type in the blanks and check off the boxes.

***Note: Once you finish, work on your Preliminary Research Worksheet.***

**Wednesday, 9/26 - Complete Modules 4 & 5**

**Module 4: Thesis or Focus**

* Under Research, you will complete the Thesis or Focus Module.
  + This includes: Stating Your Thesis, Implying Your Thesis, Thesis Statement Activity, See It in Practice, and Time to Write
* Time to Write
  + For the Time to Write section, complete the **10 Steps to a Perfect Thesis Statement** worksheet given to you by your teacher.

**\*\*\* YOUR THESIS NEEDS TO BE APPROVED BY YOUR TEACHER BEFORE YOU MOVE ON TO THE NEXT STEP. \*\*\***

**Module 5: Outlining**

* Under Research, you will complete the Outlining Module.
  + This includes: Traditional Outlining, See It in Practice, and Time to Write (*DO NOT COMPLETE IMRAD OUTLINING*)
* It is time to start writing your outline! Be sure you follow MLA format and the outline example provided for you on your teacher’s website.

**Thursday, 9/27 & Friday, 9/28 - Writing Your Outline**

At this point, you should have completed Modules 1-5. If you were absent or did not have enough time to complete the modules, please do so now. Otherwise, you should be writing your outline. **Remember to use MLA format and follow all examples provided for you**.