

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPARATIVE BOOK REVIEW

1. Follow the Book Review Guidelines provided earlier in the course and available in the classroom files. Prepare a three to four page book review of *The Craft of Research*, 4th ed. by Wayne C. Booth, Gregory G. Colomb, Joseph M. Williams, Joseph Bizup, and William T. FitzGerald. DO NOT insert your name on the right margin at the end of this review.
2. At the end of your book review of *The Craft of Research*, 4th ed., insert a header for Quality Research Papers. In one or two additional pages, compare *The Craft of Research*, 4th ed. with *Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology*, 4th ed. by Nancy Vyhmeister and Terry Dwain Robertson. Explain how the approach in *The Craft of Research*, 4th ed. differs from the approach used in *Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology*, 4th ed. Compare two or three strengths and weaknesses of each book. Recommend which book should be used in a course such as this one and the reason(s) supporting your recommendation.
3. At the end of your comparative review, insert your name on the last line on the right margin.
4. The entire assignment should be completed in four to six double-spaced pages.
5. Below is a sample layout for your comparative book review.

***The Craft of Research*, 4th edition.** By Wayne C. Booth, Gregory G. Colomb, Joseph M. Williams, Joseph Bizup, and William T. FitzGerald. Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press, 2016. 336 pages. Paperback. \$10.49.

Following the above heading, write your three to four page book review of *The Craft of Research* according to the Book Review Guidelines provided below. Your review should include bibliographic information on the authors and a standard review of the book as you have done in previously submitted book reviews. Include a footnote or parenthetical citation, if appropriate, to the source of your biographical information. Following this review, insert the header and comparative review of *Quality Research Papers*, 4th edition as shown below.

***Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology*, 4th edition.** By Nancy Vyhmeister and Terry Dwain Robertson. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2020. 352 pages. Paperback. \$26.99.

Begin with a brief biography of the two authors including a footnote or parenthetical citation, if appropriate, to the source of your biographical information. In one or two additional pages, compare *The Craft of Research* with *Quality Research Papers*. Focus your analysis on how the authors' approaches to the topic differ. Compare two or three strengths and weaknesses

of each book. Recommend which book should be used in a DMin research and writing course such as this one and the reason(s) supporting your recommendation.

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