

Submission Proposal Outline

Use this as a guide to help write the article. Use the outline to help submit a high-level overview of the policy area and recommendation that you are making.

I. Introduction

- A. Statement of the problem
- B. Significance of the problem
- C. Thesis Statement

II. Background of the problem

- A. A brief history of the issue
 - 1. Literature review and previous research
 - a) Data to illustrate the significance of the problem
 - 2. Are there existing policies?
 - a) Policy outcome data (if available)
 - (1) Pick 2-3 existing policies that may impact the specific area of policy you are planning to make recommendations as reference.
 - b) Issues with current policy? How does this fall short of addressing the problem? Has the problem evolved and do the policies in place no longer address it?
 - c) Is there an example policy somewhere in the world? Give a brief explanation of it, how the policy was implemented, and its outcomes.

III. Policy Recommendations

- A. What policy or policy alternatives are you recommending and what specific thing is that policy solving
 - 1. What are the implications for implementation?
 - a) Who are the stakeholders? Who are the political actors or bureaucrats involved?
 - b) What are the barriers to implementation and arguments (if any) against it?
 - c) How would you measure the policy's effectiveness?

IV. Conclusion

A. 2-3 sentence wrap up

V. Reference list