



Assurance Research Advisory Group (ARAG) Research Plan Summary

Research plan summaries should not exceed one page in length and should address the following:

Research Methodology

- *A description of the proposed methodology, including
 - *The research design and key variables, if applicable, and*
 - *The proposed methods of analysis.**
- *If the researcher has begun to implement the research plan, (e.g., researcher has developed a data collection protocol or has gathered data from a pilot study; researcher has created a database of observations from a secondary data source) include that information.*

Specific Predictions and Theory-Based Hypotheses

- *A description of specific predictions, including theory-based explanations underlying the predictions.*
- *Research without specific predictions (e.g., interview, case study, survey) will also be considered and should include a description of how the research relates to theory.*