

What should I include in my Researcher's Reflection Space (RSS)?

You should be updating your RRS regularly. The key to making this space work is to include:

Reading: A log of your reading as you complete it **WITH MLA BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INFO**. The notes you keep here should include a few short notes on what you think you gained from each source, even if the notes are minimal to non-existent because the source was not as relevant as you had hoped. Acknowledging mistakes and incorrect paths followed is crucial to getting full marks on Criterion E.

Notes: Brief notes on your developing (often changing) thoughts on your research question as a result of your reading and research.

Challenges: Register any challenges (even frustrations) and what you did about them, especially if they revolve around the research itself. Avoid simply complaining about things such as missed opportunities or time wasted. Reflect on how you can avoid these issues in the future.

Visuals: Include annotated diagrams, charts, illustrations or images that help build your argument. You don't have to use all of them in your EE but it's an excellent way to show your progress and the development of your thinking.

Skills: Document any newly developed skills or refining of pre-existing skills that you gain as a result of the research process.

Overview of supervisor meetings/check-ins: After you meet with your supervisor, jot down some notes about what was discussed and how you plan to action the feedback, suggestions you were given.

Overview of what you learned in EE CORE sessions and how that applies to your EE: We will be reviewing various aspects of the EE process in CORE. Think about how you will apply that knowledge to your own EE. Be specific and critical.