

**CMPSC 580
Junior Seminar
Spring 2019**

**Assignment 10: Peer Revision of Methods Section,
Submission of Compiled Document of Sections
[GitHub Repository for Submission](#)**

Objective

To use peer-review to improve a working draft for your Methods section from Assignment 9. During lab and on Thursday, we will be spending time to write and improve the writing. Your deliverable for this assignment will be a compiled file containing your *Introduction*, *Related Work* and the completed *Methods* sections.

GitHub Starter Link

<https://classroom.github.com/a/gsrRxAPL>

This link is from Assignment 5 and will be used to contain your work for your proposal.

To use this link, please follow the steps below.

- Click on the link and accept the assignment
- Once the importing task has completed, click on the created assignment link which will take you to your newly created github repository for this lab,
- Clone this repository (bearing your name) and work locally
- As you are working on your lab, you are to commit and push regularly. The commands are the following.

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– git add -A
– git commit -m "Your notes about commit here"
– git push
```

Part 1: Tuesday's class; Peer Review of Your Methods Section

By Tuesday you will have already completed a draft of your Methods section. In this part, you will share this draft with a peer to have his or her constructive input of your writing. For this task, please following the leading *Questions in Blue*, found below. As before, this feedback will be provided to you by your peer using GitHub's *issue tracker* documentation system. **Please complete your review (i.e., leaving your comments in the issue tracker) by the start of Wednesday's lab session.**

Questions in Blue

You will be following the questions below to provide your constructive criticism and you will give your answered questions to your peer so that they have a record of your constructive criticism. To share your criticism with your peer, you will paste your answers in the *issue tracker* of their GitHub repository. Please do not forget to add your name.

Please follow these questions to the best of your abilities to be able to offer constructive criticism to your peer. Your reflection will address the comments from your peer.

1. The writing is free of typographical and grammatical errors.
2. The document includes some (mention of) visuals such as diagrams, flowcharts, etc.
3. The writing has a logical flow.
4. The writing appears to have sufficient detail to allow an entry-level researcher to understand its premise.
5. Each section contains a summary statement.
6. What other problems did you see in the writing?
7. What would you do to fix the problems from above?

Part 2: Wednesday's Lab; Study and Apply Issue Tracker Feedback

By lab time, you and your colleague will have completed your peer review tasks (i.e., reading and leaving comments via the issue tracker) of your Method Section drafts.

During lab time, you will read and digest your issue tracker comments to decide how to incorporate these comments into your own work. It is unreasonable to expect that *all* of your reviewer's comments will be incorporated into your writing, however, at the origin of each comment is a concern that ought to be considered in light of your writing. Therefore, it is highly recommended that each comment from your reviewer be considered with seriousness in order to ascertain how the writing could be amended with the knowledge from the comment. This fix may be large or small, but all forms of improvement (of whatever the size) will likely be a help to your final document.

Part 3: Thursday's Class; Compile All Your Sections Together to Submit.

When you are submitting your final deliverable (a proposal) at the end of this class, your document will be composed of each of its sections (i.e., the *Introduction*, *Related Works*, *Methods* and other sections.) While we are not submitting a full proposal just yet, we are going to submit all the sections that we have written up until this point. For the deliverable of Part 3, you are to combine all your sections (i.e., *Introduction*, *Related Work* and the *Methods*) into one document using LaTeX. You already have the template (given earlier in this class) for LaTeX articles and so you are to use this template to combine your sections.

Two Ways to Combine Your Work

One way you could combine your sections is to have each file store one of the section and then tie them into the main document using the `import` command in Latex. See the file at the path shown below to see how using imports is done in Latex. We will spend time during Thursday's class to cover this Latex coding.

File: `materials/latexAndBeamer/thesisWithImportCode.tex`

Another way that you could combine your sections into one document is to simply copy each section into the main Latex file and compile. However you decide to combine your sections, it is imperative that your citations and bibliography be included in the final document. Your final document is to be a PDF file for the submission that your instructor will read to give you feedback.

Summary Of Deliverables

- File **writing/criticism.md**: Find your partner's suggestions from your issue tracker. Please the the criticisms into this file and then, under the each concern, place your own response to the concern. Address what you decided to do about the comment in terms of your writing.
 - Please be sure to mention the name of your peer-editor.
- File **writing/deliverable1.pdf**: Combine your camera-ready drafts of your *Introduction*, *Related Works* and *Methods* Sections into one PDF file for this submission. Be sure that your citations and bibliography are included in your final document.

This deliverable will be stored in your assignment 5 repository and is due on Tuesday, 16th April.

Help?

I'm available in person and via email if you want to run any ideas by me, or if you are having problems with your LaTeX. To ensure that I can offer timely assistance, please ask for help early!