

## **Toulmin Terms: Definitions**

warrant	a “bridge-like” statement that links or connects data and claim
	a general principle or rule, usually arrived at via direct experience
backing	supports the warrant; usually empirical or quantitative information
data	evidence: facts, stories, examples, numbers, etc.
rebuttal	shows the “other side”; shows potential or likely objections, things which would negate or violate the validity of the claim
claim	an assertion about a reality
qualifier	limits or tempers the force and/or range (the strength) of the argument or claim