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Research Strategies Award

Essay Tips for Student Applications

In addition to reviewing the evaluation criteria, it may be helpful to keep in mind the following questions as you reflect on your library research experience.

- What did you discover about the tools and techniques for research in the library?
- What did you learn about finding and evaluating information on your topic -- or in your discipline?
- Which sources did you use? Which were most helpful? Less helpful?
- What discoveries did you make in the library by serendipity? And which through carefully planned search strategies? What was the path your research took?
- What lessons about the research or artistic & creative process did you take away from the experience?

Note: These tips are offered only to guide your reflection. You are not required to answer all of these specific questions.