

- Make sure your research question is 'researchable' be sure to familiarise yourself with the six criteria in section 3.3.
- Give yourself enough time to allow your research question to emerge through a series of processes. See your research question as something that will develop as opposed to something you simply choose.
- Familiarise yourself with the four-step critical process as a way to guide you through how a general topic of research can be narrowed down to a more researchable question.
- When searching for literature, make sure you are well acquainted with module reading lists, as well as with your university's catalogue for your subject area.
- Make sure that your literature contextualises your research topic, as well as summarising different types of theoretical perspectives.
- Also be sure that your literature review critically engages with previous research. This will allow
 you to outline how your research will make a fresh contribution to your topic of choice.