

**TABLE 7.4 ■ Template for Analysis and Critique of Theoretical Literature**

Study Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author/Researcher: \_\_\_\_\_

Publication Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Citation: \_\_\_\_\_

Overview of Theory or Concept

Key Premise(s) or Claim(s)

Reasoning: Evidence is provided that clearly supports the claim(s).  
Opposing claims are recognized and addressed.

Relevance: Determine the extent to which the information directly supports your topic and is useful to your study. What are the implications for your current research?

Add any selected quotes here that might be useful. Be sure to include page number(s) so that you can refer to quotes from this source.

Overall Impressions/Evaluation: Does the author suggest the findings can be applied in theory and/or practice? How useful does this work seem to you with regard to theoretical and/or practical applications? (Add as necessary)

Synthesis: Integrate the pieces of your critique to emphasize your own main points about the author's work; its relevance and/or application to other theories you have reviewed and to your own study. (Add as necessary)