

## **Student #2**

### **ART 455: Art Therapy Senior Seminar**

#### **Creating a Research Proposal:**

##### *I. Working Title: (Write out 10 possible title ideas)*

1. Art Therapy as an Intervention for Children ages two to five living in Intergenerational Poverty.
2. Accessibility to trauma-based therapy for children under the age of 12 in low-income areas.
3. Art Therapy used as a social development tool for Children in Urban areas under the age of 12.
4. Intergenerational Poverty children gaining social development skills using Art Therapy as an intervention.
5. Accessibility to art education programs for children under the age of 12 suffering from intergenerational poverty.
6. Trauma Based Therapy and art therapy used as an intervention tool for Children in low-income areas under the age of 12
7. Brain Development (lowenfeld) of children under the age of 12 suffering from intergenerational poverty
8. Intervention tools such as Art Therapy used for Children suffering from Intergenerational Poverty
9. Art Therapy as a brain development tool for Children suffering from intergenerational poverty
10. Trauma based therapy used as a practice to help Children develop social skills in low-income areas

##### *II. Background of the Inquiry:*

Children in urban areas have little to no social development skills due to intergenerational poverty as well as the limited access to mental health resources such as art therapy. People need to be aware of this topic because more in more children suffer from intergenerational poverty

without these resources. Without this research being done, children from urban areas will never socially develop or gain the skills needed for later in life. With these mental health resources such as art therapy, social justice will be limited to a certain amount, and children will gain the social development they need to succeed later in the development stages of life.

*III. Aims of the Inquiry: (What answers are you looking for?)*

I am looking for the benefits of art therapy programs for children affected by intergenerational poverty, as well as how to provide and give children more access to mental health resources in urban areas.

*IV. Write 3 Possible Research Questions:*

1. Do children ages 2-5 living in intergenerational poverty suffer from social development issues (lowenfeld)? How does art therapy become an intervention tool for children aged 2-5 living in these environments?
2. How does trauma informed therapy help children ages 2-5 develop the skills they need to become successful?
3. How is art education considered a tool of social development skills for children suffering from intergenerational poverty?

Is art therapy an intervention to evolve social development skills for children living in an intergenerational poverty cycle?

- Define intergenerational poverty, provide some data, talk about early intervention head start programs and issues that may come about with children
  - o Be sure to look at key words (other kids vs. these kids)

*V. Conclusions: (Reword Aims of Inquiry section, add any additional thoughts and articulate what you will do with this information.)*

VI. Write your Final Research Question:

Is art therapy an intervention to evolve social development skills for children living in an intergenerational poverty cycle?

VII. Final Title:

**Hints and Tips:**

Ansdell, G. & Pavlicevic, M. (2001),

- Is the **abstract** clear? Does it give enough information to characterize the study?
- Does the **introduction** set the scene appropriately? Is it clear why the writer has embarked on the study?
- Is the purpose of the research clearly stated?
- Are the **research** questions clear and logical?
- Is the **literature review** comprehensive, informed, and critical/comparative? Does the discussion take the research questions into account (p. 237)?

*A research proposal will be approved on the following:*

- Whether your proposal is realistic in regards to time restraints and size of your project.
- Whether your research question(s) are being answered by your methodology.
- Whether your research is ethical.

Reference:

Ansdell, G. & Pavlicevic, M. (2001). *Beginning research in the arts therapies*. London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers.

**\*\*\*\*\*Remember to consistently back up your work after each session and keep all your notes and drafts until the project is complete.**