My Research Project: Select Evidence to Support Your Reasons

Use the following prompts to help identify evidence to support your reasons.

1. List the reasons you are offering in support of your main point.
2. Identify relevant evidence, and then list the evidence below each reason. You might need to review your sources to locate additional evidence, or you might even need to obtain additional sources.
3. Determine whether you are relying too heavily on information from a single source.
4. Determine whether you are relying too heavily on one type of evidence.
5. Determine whether you’ve chosen evidence that is consistent with the type of document you plan to write.
6. Determine whether the evidence you’ve collected might lead you to revise the reasons you are offering to support your main point—or whether the thesis statement in which you express your main point should be revised.