

# Comparative Analysis Format for Literature Review

## 1. Introduction

Briefly introduce the subject, scope, and objectives of the literature review. State the overarching research question(s) addressed through this comparative analysis.

## 2. Selection Criteria

Clearly explain the criteria used to select the literature (e.g., relevancy, publication date, methodology, geographic region).

## 3. Comparative Table

Author(s), Year	Title/Source	Methodology	Key Findings	Strengths & Weaknesses	Relevance to Study
Smith et al., 2021	Exploring Environmental Policy	Quantitative	Effective strategies for reducing emissions identified.	Comprehensive data; lacks qualitative insight.	High
Lee & Kumar, 2020	Sustainable Development Review	Mixed methods	Stakeholder engagement is critical for success.	Diverse data sources; limited sample size.	Moderate
Garcia, 2019	Impacts of Urbanization	Qualitative	Highlights negative impacts on biodiversity.	Rich narrative; subjective interpretation.	High

## 4. Thematic Comparison & Discussion

Synthesize the literature around common themes, trends, and differences identified from the table above. Discuss patterns, contradictions, and gaps in knowledge.

## 5. Conclusion

Summarize the key insights gained from the comparative analysis and their implications for future research or practice.

### Important Notes:

- Maintain clear and consistent comparison criteria for all sources.
- Integrate citations throughout for transparency and credibility.
- Use the comparative table to visualize relationships and differences.
- Critical analysis is essential; avoid mere summary.
- Highlight research gaps and opportunities for further study.