## IME Worksheet 4.3: Thinking as a Research Activity

Relates to **Thinking as a Research Activity** on IME p. 80 and

**The Function of Evidence in the Research Process** on IME p. 87

Objectives:

* Recognize the elements of propositional argumentation in your own writing and that of others.
* Discriminate between types of arguments in published writing.
* Identify deductive and inductive reasoning in your own thinking and that of others.

Examine at least two of the sources you are using to support your current research. Locate their purpose statements and/or rationales and write them out here.

[PURPOSE STATEMENT/RATIONALE 1]

[PURPOSE STATEMENT/RATIONALE 2]

What do those statements suggest about the systems of thinking behind the arguments written by the author(s)? Do they appear to use informal/Aristotelian or dialectic logic?

Cite an example that supports your answer.