

A Narrative Historical Review is a type of scholarly article that aims to describe, interpret, and contextualize past events, figures, or developments in a specific field—typically without employing systematic data collection or statistical analysis.

□ Key Characteristics: Descriptive and interpretative rather than analytical or quantitative

Relies primarily on secondary sources (books, articles, biographies), though it may include primary sources (letters, archives, interviews)

Often chronological in structure, but may also be thematic

Provides a broad overview rather than focused, hypothesis-driven inquiry

Written with the purpose of educating, commemorating, or documenting institutional or disciplinary history

□ Purpose: To preserve memory of significant events or individuals

To provide context for current practices or knowledge

To honor pioneers or milestones in a field

To stimulate reflection on the evolution of disciplines

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