

APPLICANT NAME:

Research proposals should be 1200-1500 words in length excluding title and references.

Title

Applicants must provide a working title for the research. This is likely to change over time, but at this stage it should still give a clear indication of the proposed research approach or key question.

Introduction

Write a summary of the overarching research question and address:

- *Why is the subject important to the applicant?*
- *Why it is an important area of research for the field?*
- *How will the research contribute to our knowledge and understanding?*

Background and Rationale

Describe the research problem, the research's purpose and how it will contribute new findings in the field.

Review of Literature

Explain how the proposed research relates to existing work in the field through a short literature review.

Research Question(s)

These should be formulated clearly so as to indicate the problems and issues to be explored.

Research Methodology

Show how you plan to carry out the research and include information about:

- *The research design*
- *The methods appropriate for the proposed research*
- *A discussion of advantages as well as limits of the design and methods*

References

Include citations for texts used in the proposal at the end of the research proposal according to the APA Style 7th edn.