

A Structure/ Format of a Research Proposal

Introductory Pages

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- 1.1 Background to the study
- 1.2 Statement of the Problem
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- 1.4 Rationale/ Justification of the study
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- 1.7 Definition of key terms and concepts
- 1.8 Scope of the study/ Delimitations
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3.0 Chapter III - Methodology

- 3.1 Research Design
- 3.2 Area of Study
- 3.3 Study population
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- 3.5 Data collection tools and instruments
- 3.6 Measurements
- 3.7 Data processing, analysis and presentation
- 3.8 Ethical considerations
- 3.9 Anticipated constraints
- 3.10 Reporting and dissemination Plans

References

This indicates a list of all works cited in the proposal and should be written according your funders/ institutions' approved format

Bibliography

Shows a list of sources consulted but not cited in the work. It encouraged to use references instead.

Appendices;

- Budget
- Time Framework
- Explanatory Notes
- Samples of research instruments and tools