

Proposed title of the project

Your name

Your supervisor's name

Programme

Department

Institution

Date

Table of Contents

Introduction.....	3
Background and context.....	3
Problem statement.....	3
Research questions.....	3
Relevance and importance of the research .....	3
Literature review .....	3
Key concepts, theories and studies .....	3
Key debates and controversies.....	3
Gaps in existing knowledge.....	3
Research design and methods .....	3
Aims and objectives.....	3
Methods and sources.....	3
Practicalities and potential obstacles .....	3
Implications and contributions to knowledge.....	3
Practical implications.....	3
Theoretical implications .....	3
Reference list.....	4
Research schedule .....	5
Research phase.....	5
Objectives .....	5
Deadline.....	5

## **Introduction**

The introduction should include the following elements:

### **Background and Context**

Lead the reader into the topic and scope of your research.

### **Problem Statement**

Describe the theoretical or practical [research problem](#) that you want to address. What is already known about the problem? What is missing from current knowledge?

### **Research Questions**

State the specific [question\(s\)](#) that you aim to answer.

### **Relevance and Importance of the Research**

Make it clear what new insights you will contribute, who they are relevant to, and why the research is worth doing.

### **Literature review**

The [literature review](#) summarizes, compares and critiques the most relevant scholarly sources on the topic. There are many different ways to structure a literature review, but it should explore:

#### **Key Concepts, Theories and Studies**

Compare, contrast, and establish the theories and concepts that will be most important for your project.

#### **Key Debates and Controversies**

Identify points of conflict and situate your own position.

#### **Gaps in Existing Knowledge**

Show what is missing and how your project will fit in.

### **Research design and methods**

Here you should explain your approach to the research and describe exactly what steps you will take to answer your questions.

#### **Research design**

Explain how you will design the research. [Qualitative or quantitative](#)? Original data collection or [primary/secondary sources](#)? Descriptive, correlational or experimental?

#### **Methods and Sources**

Describe the tools, procedures, participants and sources of the research. When, where and how will you collect, select and analyze data?

#### **Practical Considerations**

Address any potential obstacles, limitations and ethical or practical issues. How will you plan for and deal with problems?

### **Implications and contributions to knowledge**

Finish the proposal by emphasizing why your proposed project is important and what it will contribute to practice or theory.

#### **Practical Implications**

Will your findings help improve a process, inform policy, or make a case for concrete change?

#### **Theoretical Implications**

Will your work help strengthen a theory or model, challenge current assumptions, or create a basis for further research?

### References

AuthorLastName, FirstInitial., & Author LastName, FirstInitial. (Year). Title of article. Title of Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Number(s). <https://doi.org/number>

AuthorLastName, FirstInitial., & Author LastName, FirstInitial. (Year). Title of article. Title of Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Number(s). <https://doi.org/number>

AuthorLastName, FirstInitial., & Author LastName, FirstInitial. (Year). Title of article. Title of Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Number(s). <https://doi.org/number>

AuthorLastName, FirstInitial., & Author LastName, FirstInitial. (Year). Title of article. Title of Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Number(s). <https://doi.org/number>

AuthorLastName, FirstInitial., & Author LastName, FirstInitial. (Year). Title of article. Title of Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Number(s). <https://doi.org/number>

AuthorLastName, FirstInitial., & Author LastName, FirstInitial. (Year). Title of article. Title of Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Number(s). <https://doi.org/number>

## Research schedule

[illegible]