

Concept Paper Outline

Instructions: Please submit a concept paper detailing your proposed research to be completed as part of your project. The concept paper should be approximately 2-3 pages in length (maximum). A rational and reasoned argument that posits the “problem” as problem and indicates the necessity for the research. Critical studies (elements of the literature review) that provide supporting information for the “gap” in the current research that the student’s own research will fill should be woven into this segment of the text to support the argument.

Title:

Introduction:

Significance of the Research: Indicates the various shareholders in the research and cites the beneficiaries of the outcomes. The far-reaching implications of the project findings should be included.

Research Question (s): Clearly write the question (s) in a precise manner that captures the essence of the research imperative. What is the project aim?

Literature Review: List the component areas of the studies that comprise the literature review. These are derived from key elements/terms in the Research Questions

Methodology: Describe the method that best compliments the research questions and “fits” within that initiative. If the research involves human subjects, include the necessity of obtaining the ethical clearance before commencing the work. What kind of infrastructure (access to persons/patient/patient journals, laboratory equipment, reagents etc.) are needed to perform this study?

References: Give the most important references which would substantiate your research.