

ASSIGNMENT I

Chapter one: Overview of the study

TITLE

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**RESEARCH PROJECT MODULE
525**

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Issue Date:

Submission Date:

- 1.1. Introduction
- 1.2 Background to study
- 1.3 Problem statement
- 1.4 Research question
- 1.5 Research aim and objectives
- 1.6 Motivation for the study
- 1.7 Scope and delimitation of the study
- 1.8 Significance of the stud
- 1.9 Research design and methodology
- 1.10 Theoretical framework
- 1.11. Defination of concerpts used
- 1.12 Summary of chapter one

NOTE: MUST CHOOSE AND ORGANISATION (NPO, BUSINESS ENTITY, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT)

Guide to students on how to do some critical sections in assignment I

1. Background/Introduction (Preferably 2 pages)
The introduction lays the groundwork by citing origin of the idea/problem, why topic is important to discipline, country (SA), region and globe. Have others studied this area and is there gap worth exploring?

2. Problem statement (preferably ½ a page)
Reflect what the problem is? The context where the problem exist (affected society, theoretical problem, etc), what is the extent and magnitude of the problem (can it be quantified? any statistics associated with the problem or qualified)?; why is the problem important for researching?; have other authors identified or addressed this problem before?; If already researched then what is the research gap to be addressed by this research?

3. Aim and objectives of the study (Preferably not more than half a page)
Reflect the main purpose of conducting the research. Broadly, what is the study meant to accomplish? It is a broad statement of what the research intends to achieve or contribute towards. Objectives are achievable and outcome-based research intentions. They are concise statements that describe what the study will accomplish and link to the research questions. Reflect on specifics, and provide a statement or statements on what the study achieves at completion. Words such as discover, explain, evaluate, determine are useful in stating objectives. Where objectives are numerous, they should be numbered (restrict objectives to preferably 4 or fewer. All objectives should help achieve research purpose (alignment).

4. Research Questions/Hypotheses
Research Questions: These are the questions that will be addressed by the study. Research questions MUST be unambiguous. Research questions guide the study because addressing the research questions addresses the research objectives. Each question should be aligned/ linked to the research objective.
Hypotheses: Hypotheses are relevant for quantitative studies. A hypothesis statement predicts the relationship between variables. It is an assumption that is made up front. An example from an experimental study could be: The application of fertiliser to maize increases yields. Hypotheses need to be very clear and testable.

Students must populate all the sections

Plagiarism will not be tolerated and students will be penalised

References

List the all the references that have been used in the text through this proposal. Use the Harvard referencing method. Do not include sources that have been read but not cited in the text.

Total Score = 10 point

Maximum: 10-15 pages