

Guidelines

“This template is to serve as a guideline.”

“Proposal must be written by the student; the mentor should be consulted and supervised the process.”

The research proposal should not be too long NOT EXCEEDING 10 pages (for M.Sc.) and 12 pages (for Ph.D.), cover page is not included

“Page setup: A4 paper size. The line spacing 1.5 including the cover page, 12pt font size with a 1" margin and Times New Roman font style.”

Plagiarism is prohibited and students should avoid plagiarism by paraphrasing or citing.

NEVER COPY AND PASTE TEXT FROM ANY SOURCE

In addition to the student responsibilities set forth in this guideline, it is expected that the student behave in a manner that is consistent with the guidelines presented in the most current edition of the College of Pharmacy and Deanship of Graduate Studies King Saud University Bulletin.

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TITLE IN ENGLISH

The title should be Capitalize and concise and informative. Avoid abbreviations where possible.

عنوان البحث باللغة العربية

M.Sc./Ph.D. Research Proposal Submitted to the Department of

By

Name in English

University ID No.

B.Pharm (20)

M.Sc. (20)

Date of Submission

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1. ABSTRACT

This section should provide a summary of the proposed research project (**200-300 words**)

2. INTRODUCTION

In the introduction, provide a brief background to the research proposal, briefly clarifying the importance of the research and the positive outcomes. This section must address project objectives (specific aims) and potential outputs and methods of utilization.

Directions: This section should not exceed two pages including figures and tables

3. RESEARCH STRATEGY

3.1 SIGNIFICANCE

This section should include up-to-date background information, cutting-edge scientific literature, and ongoing work by the project team (preliminary data) or by others. Also, this section should identify the gap in knowledge that the proposed project will address.

Directions: This section should not exceed one and a half page.

3.2 INNOVATION

This section should describe any novel theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, or interventions to be developed or used. Explain any advantage over existing methods, instrumentation or interventions (Optional for Master's).

Directions: This section should not exceed a half page.

3.3 APPROACH

This section should provide sufficient and clear information of overall strategy and study design, procedures and techniques to be used, and methods for data collection, analysis, and interpretation to accomplish the specific aims. This section should, also, outline potential problems, alternative strategies, as well as expected outcomes related to each specific aim. Also, provide detail of resources or facilities you may require, as well as point out any procedures, situations, or materials that may be hazardous to personnel and precautions to be trained. **All procedures should be performed in compliance with the Ethics Committee of Scientific Research at King Saud University.**

Directions: This section should not exceed 6 pages including figures and tables. Subsections of the approaches should be numbered as 3.3.1 then 3.3.2., 3.3.3....etc.

4. FUTURE DIRECTION

Future Directions are optional but recommended; briefly, discuss your future directions within the scope of your proposal/timeframe.

Directions: Discuss in about quarter page your future of directions.

4.1 TIMELINE

Directions: A timeline of actions for each Aim. Page (s) will not be counted in the proposal

5. REFERENCES

Use reference citations (Vancouver style). Please ensure that every reference cited in the text is also present in the reference list (and vice versa).

The maximum number of references used is 30. Please try not to exceed this limit, as the proposal will be returned without any evaluation.

Directions: This section should not exceed 2 pages.

If cite is credited to more than 3 authors, include the first 3 authors in the Bibliographic citation followed by “et al.”

For more information and examples of the reference style follow the link:

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