

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR INDIGENOUS RESEARCH PROPOSAL

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1. **RESEARCH FACILITATOR:** Your identity as the research facilitator and how that informs your choice of proposal topic, your community connections, the focus of your research [utility] statement, the research goals/objectives, and limitations or delimitations of your proposed research project.
2. **RESEARCH TOPIC:** state your research topic clearly. This is the title of your proposal, and as such it should not only be attention-grabbing, but also provides insightful preview to the intended outcomes of your research.
3. **RESEARCH [UTILITY] STATEMENT:** It is action-oriented, community desire/goal focused, empowering and hope-centered.
4. **RESEARCH QUESTION:** Has the same focus/scope as the research statement.
5. **THESIS STATEMENT:** A concise and insightful unresearched answer to your research question highlighting the major concepts in your research statement and research question, and specifying the relationships among these concepts. Provide operational definitions for these concepts, if necessary.
6. **LITERATURE OR KNOWLEDGE REVIEW:** Focus on print literature or electronic literature or oral literature or a combination. Show how the reviewed literature confirms the originality, usefulness, and feasibility of your research
7. **METHODOLOGY:** Integrate type of research and necessary information and community philosophy/vision/theory and ethics/protocols that will guide the research approach, logic/reasoning, research designs/methods, research techniques/tools/instruments which will determine the processes of your data collection, data analysis and interpretation of findings. Discuss what makes your chosen methodology valid and reliable.
8. **REPORTING:** State and justify the communication media you will use to present and share the findings of your research project.
9. **ACTION:** Show how the research project finding will be implemented and why?
10. **LOGISTICS:** Indicate the timelines, monetary budget, and funding that will be used to do the research and implement the findings and the roles of the research facilitator and research participants in these processes.