

Project Title

Names of Contributor(s)

Introduction

Introduction/Abstract goes here; this section should contain an introduction to your topic. It should be long enough to adequately introduce your topic/study, but you do not need to go in-depth on things here. For example: What is the problem you are studying? How has it evolved? What issues remain unsolved? This background information serves as the foundation upon which you built your study. Theoretical / conceptual framework information may fit here.

Research Purpose and/or Question(s)

Formally, clearly, and concisely state the purpose of the study (i.e., "The purpose of this study is to _____."). Also include research question(s) and hypotheses (if applicable) here.

Method / Data Source(s)

Describe data collection technique / data sources here. This could include your research design, sample size, sampling techniques, data collection procedures (including when and where data were collected), and instruments used. Information about IRB protocol/ethical considerations may go in this section as well.

Analysis

Describe data analysis process here. For example, for quantitative studies, discuss the statistical technique(s) that were used to analyze your data (e.g., "Hypothesis 1 was analyzed using an ANOVA; hypothesis 2 was analyzed by calculating a Pearson correlation"). For qualitative studies, explain the analytic technique according to the data source (e.g., "data obtained from interviews were transcribed, coded, and sorted into themes using the constant-comparative method");

Findings/Results

Describe findings / results here. For example, for a quantitative study, present results for all analyses performed. For a qualitative study, present the categories and/or themes that emerged from your data, and include sufficient supporting evidence (e.g., quotes) to support each theme.

Discussion

This section should provide your interpretation and explanation of the results. In this section, consider answering your research questions/hypotheses and critically evaluate/interpret what the findings mean. For some studies, it may be appropriate to organize this section by research question and/or hypothesis; for other studies, it may be more appropriate to focus on major findings in another order/way. When interpreting results, consider: What were the major findings of your study? What does each finding mean? What findings were expected and why? What findings were unexpected and why? Why do you think these results occurred? What does this suggest? How do the limitations of the study come in to play here? How (if at all) does your theory/conceptual framework help explain the findings?

Conclusion(s) / Implication(s)

When drawing conclusions, consider: What are the big takeaways for you from this study? How do these results fit into previous work (i.e., the literature) on this topic? Who will/could use this information? What would you change or add if you did this study again?

References

Type references here.