



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

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- Page Numbers:** The proposal should not exceed 15 pages for MSc and 20 pages for PhD, excluding front pages, references and appendices.
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(a) **Front Page**

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- (b) **Table of Contents** – Mandatory and be put after the first page
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- 1 INTRODUCTION**
- 1.1 Background Information
- 1.2 Problem Statement and Justification
- 1.3 Research Questions (Optional)
- 1.4 Hypothesis (Hypotheses)
- 1.5 Objectives

- 1.5.1 General Objective
- 1.5.2 Specific Objectives
- 1.6 Significance of the study
- 1.7 Scope and Limitation (Optional)
- 1.8 Assumptions (Optional)

2 LITERATURE REVIEW

-Concentrate of what has been done concerning area of research

3 MATERIALS AND METHODS OR METHODOLOGY

REFERENCES -Single spaced
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APPENDIX I Work Plan (Indicate the months and years)

APPENDIX II Budget (A realistic one, indicate the currency)

APPENDIX III Any other information like a questionnaire, map/charts (Optional)