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Project Title: _____________________________

PROJECT PROPOSAL OUTLINE (2-3 Single-Spaced Pages)  
Be sure to include all of the following items in your proposal.

1. Objectives: Provide a clear, complete, and logically arranged statement of the aim of the research.
2. Significance of Project: Explain the importance of the problem to be investigated within the context of your field of study.
3. Review of Key Literature: Briefly summarize previous research related to the problem.
4. Literature Cited: List key references cited in the “Review of Key Literature” section.
5. Procedures: Describe the essential working plans and methods to be used in attaining each of the stated objectives.
6. Work Arrangements: Indicate where the research work will be conducted, along with the availability of specialized facilities and equipment needed.
7. Student Background Statement: State your qualifications to complete this research work and your reasons for proposing this project.
8. Your Faculty Research Mentor needs to attach a signed statement attesting to the originality and appropriateness of your project. (A printout of an email message from your Faculty Research Mentor is fine.)
9. Include a project budget that itemizes all funds necessary to support the proposed research. The maximum funding request is $1,500. Allowable expenses include lab supplies, other disposable supplies, and off-campus travel necessary to collect data. **Funds will not be provided for wages or major equipment purchases.**

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

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