WHAT DO YOU NEED TO HAVE IN A RESEARCH PROPOSAL (AT LEAST)??

- 1. Introduction
 - Background
 - Problem Statement
 - Research Objectives
 - Research Questions
- 2. Literature Review
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 - Theoretical Framework & Hypotheses development
- 3.Methodology
 - Research Design
 - Questionnaire Development
 - Data Collection Population/Sample

FEATURES OF A GOOD ABSTRACT

Motivation of the research:

- Why is this research "interesting"?
- Should emphasize the importance of your work/research

<u>Problem Statement:</u>

- What problems are you trying to solve?
- What is the scope of your research?

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Approach/Methods:

- How did you go solve or address the problem?
- What were the type of study, research methods, procedures?
- What were the variables investigated?
- How was data collected and interpreted?
- Maybe, the length of the study

PROBLEM STATEMENT

- is a concise and precise description of the issues that need to be addressed
- Global-Local-Context (GLC) Approach
- GLC approach signifies and magnifies the problems examined
- Written with a critical eye
- Looking at current problems AND not something in the past.

A GOOD THESIS TITLE...

- Should be simple, straight forward, clear and understandable
- Should be of interest to readers/examiners
- Should be specific
- Guided by the aims and objectives of the research undertaken
- Gives a pre-view of the contents of the thesis

SUMMARY

- Ask yourself these Q:
 - Does the thesis title reflect the contents?
 - Is the abstract concise?
 - Clarity of presentation?
 - Organization of the thesis?
 - Language and grammar?
 - Spelling?
 - Terminology?
 - Is LR Sufficient, uptodate, recent?
 - Are the research objectives clearly stated?
 - Overall methodology presented clearly?
 - Data collection: Is sample respondent is representative? Sample size is adequate?