**EDUC 5070 Thesis Proposal**

**Thesis Proposal Template**

# Title Page

Include the thesis title (no abbreviations or redundancies), full student name (no titles or initials), affiliation statement, and year. Center all content. No page number.

# Table of Contents

List all major headings and subheadings with correct page numbers. Use title case and ensure consistency.

# Abstract

Provide a brief overview of the research problem, objectives, methodology, and expected outcomes. Limit to one to one or 250 words.

# Chapter One: Introduction

Begin each chapter on a new page.

## 1.1 Background of the Study

Describe the context of the study, globally and locally. Identify key gaps and justify the need for the research.

## 1.2 Statement of the Problem

Clearly define the problem supported by data or literature. Highlight its relevance and impact.

## 1.3 Purpose and Justification of the Study

Explain why the study is important and who it will benefit.

## 1.4 Research Objectives

Outline the purpose of your research.

## 1.5 Research Questions

Pose clear, numbered questions that correspond to the specific objectives.

## 1.6 Conceptual or Theoretical Framework

Identify and explain the theory or model that frames your study. Use a diagram if helpful.

# Chapter Two: Literature Review

Critically analyze existing research, identify themes, gaps, and how your study contributes. Organize by topic or variable. Use APA citations.

# Chapter Three: Methodology

Detail the approach you will take to answer your research questions.

## 3.1 Research Design

Describe and justify your research design (e.g., qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods).

## 3.2 Study Population and Sampling

Describe the population, inclusion/exclusion criteria, sample size, and sampling technique.

## 3.3 Data Collection Procedures

Explain when, where, and how data will be collected.

## 3.4 Instruments and Tools

Describe tools such as surveys, interviews, etc., and how they were developed or adapted.

## 3.5 Validity and Reliability

Explain how validity and reliability of the instruments will be ensured or established.

## 3.6 Data Analysis Plan

Describe the techniques and software for data analysis (e.g., coding, SPSS, thematic analysis).

## 3.7 Ethical Considerations

Describe how ethical issues such as consent, confidentiality, and participant safety will be addressed.

# References

List all sources cited in APA 7th edition format. Alphabetize by author surname.

# Appendices

Include all relevant supplementary materials (e.g., Consent Form, Survey Instrument, Ethics Approval). Label sequentially as Appendix A, B, C, etc.