

SNCURCS Abstract Guidelines

Abstracts should:

1. Normally be describing individual or team mentored projects and not class projects.
2. Be focused on a central research question.
3. Clearly state the central research question and/or purpose of the project.
4. Provide brief, relevant scholarly or research context that demonstrates its attempt to make a unique contribution to the area of inquiry (no actual citations are allowed).
5. Provide a brief description of the research methodology or process.
6. Discuss what you found or are finding based on your described approach.
7. State conclusions or expected results and the context in which they will be discussed.
8. Include text only (no images or graphics.)
9. Be well-written and well-organized.

Other formatting guidelines:

1. References are **not** allowed within abstracts.
2. The form will not process all formatting and special characters (e.g., Greek letters, scientific symbols). Use plain text format.
3. Abstracts should be a single paragraph, without carriage returns or line breaks and should **not** contain headers such as "Introduction", "Conclusion", etc.
4. Abstracts are usually 200-300 words long with no paragraph breaks. **MAXIMUM LENGTH = 300 WORDS!**