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| **Proposal Title:** | An example for undergraduate students on how to present front matter of a research proposal  |
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**Abstract**

**Introduction/Background:** This is where you tell me about your research area. You only have 250 words for this whole abstract so try and give me an introduction/background on your topic in a sentence or two.

**Purpose statement:** This is where you present your overall study purpose. This is usually done in one clear sentence. State any sub aims/objectives here, too.

**Methods:** This is where you tell me about your chosen study design, the sample/population you have chosen to study, how you are going to conduct the research (i.e., What instruments/measures you will use), what will you your study participants do, for how long (study duration), and how you plan to analyze the results (i.e., What variables are you going to examine? Are you comparing something? Are you interested in change? Reporting prevalence rates? Odds ratios?)

**Hypothesis/Hypotheses:** This is where you can speculate what you expect to find. Start this section by stating “We hypothesize that…” and continue with a statement on what you expect to find.

**Future Implications:** This is where you convey the importance of your research proposal. How will this advance the knowledge on a topic? What can we learn from this study you’re proposing? Are there any population-level implications? (i.e., potential to reveal risk-factor for a disease etc.)

**Keywords**: This is where you list 5 keywords related to your topic area. Keywords are separated by a semi-colon. Short phrases such as ‘research methods’ or ‘active living’ are considered one keyword. See example below

*Example*:

Keywords: activity; sleep; children; diet; weight