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**S.A.P.I.E.N.T. BEING REQUEST FOR RESEARCH PROPOSAL TEMPLATE (5-27-20)**

**Adopting the Chicago Statement**

<https://www.thefire.org/resources/spotlight/reports/spotlight-on-speech-codes-2019/>

To earn a green rating, faculty bodies, administrations, and institutional governing boards have officially endorsed the Chicago Statement at over fifty-five institutions including Princeton University, Purdue University, American University, Columbia University, Georgetown University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, among others.

When your school adopts the Chicago Statement, it shows that your institution values free expression for all students and faculty.

Free speech rights benefit everyone on campus and reaffirm the core purpose of a university—a place for free inquiry, debate, and discourse. Whether your goal is to campaign, protest, do research, or simply learn in an environment that promotes open inquiry and the free exchange of ideas, the Chicago Statement will help hold your institution accountable for protecting the free expression rights of students and faculty.

**General requirements**

You must write your own research proposal and reference accordingly. When preparing a research report it is necessary to supply a clear statement describing the proposed area of research (a research proposal).

Consultation with SAPIENT Being CEO Corey Lee Wilson [sapientbeing@att.net](mailto:sapientbeing@att.net) or (951) 638-5562 in the research area of interest is recommended prior to submission of an application. Being in alignment and congruent with the SAPIENT Being’s mission statement and programs prepares you to frame the proposal to align with the three (3) programs are essential:

1. **Make Free Speech Again On Campus**
2. **Enhance Viewpoint Diversity**
3. **Develop Intellectual Humility**

Length: From one to three pages is often suitable, depending on the area of research.

Detail: The following outline may be used as a guide. You should consider each of the areas that will be relevant to your research.

Minimum: The recommended minimum requirements are identified with an asterisk (\*).

**Research topic/title\***

An initial working title should be provided and should describe the content and direction of your project. For example: A template for assisting research students in the development of a research proposal.

**PROJECT DESRIPTION**

**Background**

What is already known or unknown? Set the scene.

**Aims\***

What do you want to know, prove, demonstrate, analyze, test, investigate or examine? List your project aims in a logical sequence. For example:

The aim of this project is to:

a) Provide an outline of a research proposal

b) Enable a prospective student to prepare a research proposal

**Methodology\***

How do you anticipate you will achieve these aims?\*

What do you need? (specify any special equipment, software, or material) Can

you access necessary data or expertise?

Do you require particular resources?\*

Are there barriers or pitfalls?

Does the project involve human ethics, animal ethics or safety implications?

Is travel or fieldwork required? If so, where to, how long and at what intervals?

**Expected outcomes, significance, or rationale**

Why is it important?

What do you expect it will deliver?

What are the expected outcomes?

Establish the importance of your project by highlighting its originality or why it is worth pursuing. Highlight the benefits, positive expected outcomes, or innovative applications of knowledge.

**Timetable\***

Indicate the timeframe for each broad stage considering literature surveys, data collection, production, modelling, review, analysis, testing, reporting, chapter and thesis writing, and thesis submission date.