STATEMENT OF RESEARCH INTENT (APPLICATION PROPOSAL)

Statement of research intent/application research proposal must be between (1200-2000) words, which state the principal intentions and overview of the proposed study.

Title: Please be generic. Avoid contextualising the title at this stage to South Africa.

Introduction (half a page)

Background to the research problem (2 pages maximum) (set the theme of the research at the generic/global level. Make your academic motivation for the proposed research. Conceptualise the problem in its generic form, in which it can be plugged into the wider body of knowledge, beyond your intended context. Start in this manner before you direct the discussion into your intended context).

Identification of the gap and Problem Statement (1 paragraph)

Statement of the research problem (One sentence – state the research problem in a sentence)

Research question

Research Aim

Research Objectives

Research Assumptions

Scope of the research

Proposed methodology for the research

Envisaged limitations in the research

Envisaged results

Envisaged areas of contributions and the specific envisaged contributions in those areas

Justification for the research

Reference list (use authoritative academic references and journals).