

Tishk International University

The Faculty of Administrative Sciences and Economics (FASE)

Course: Academic Research and Writing

Group Assignment

(In-depth Exploration of Academic Research Concepts)

Each group will prepare a detailed, academically styled report (with presentation) on one of the following assigned topics. If necessary, employ Figures to clarify and simplify the concept.

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1. Effective Academic Communication:

(Group A): (Dany Shaba, Martina Ghader Yalda, Dya Farhad Awla, Sozan Mariwan Khidir, Aveista Sheikani, Ameen Mohanned Younus)

- Delve into the differences between academic and non-academic writing styles.
- Explore the structure and purpose of different types of academic papers (e.g., essays, reports, reviews).
- Discuss the importance of clarity, coherence, and conciseness in academic writing.
- Understand the role of feedback and peer review in refining academic work.
- Examine the use of visuals (e.g., graphs, charts, tables) in enhancing the presentation of research findings.
- Emphasize the importance of avoiding academic misconduct, particularly plagiarism and data falsification.

2. Introduction / Background of the Research:

(Group B): (Ayad Ayoub Abubaker, Miran Azar Bayiz, Ibrahim Khalil Yassin, Aras Azeez Rahman, lehat Akar Azad, Ayman Dler Rasheed)

- Explain the importance of a well-structured introduction.
- Discuss how to identify and articulate a problem statement.
- Elaborate on the process of framing research questions and objectives.
- Describe the role of a hypothesis and how to formulate one.
- Highlight the significance of setting the scope and limitations of research.
- What is the importance of having significance and contribution in your research?



3. Literature Review:

(Group C): (Ahmed Emad Abdulkhaliq, Muhamad Dilshad Taha, Muhammed Pshtewan Khatab, Omer Farhad Muhammed, Amal Jalal, San Makwan Abdulkhaliq)

- Define what a literature review is and its significance in research.
- Outline the systematic steps involved in conducting a literature review.
- Discuss the role of primary vs. secondary sources.
- Highlight common pitfalls and challenges in literature review and how to overcome them.
- Discuss the importance of keeping a literature review updated and relevant.
- Understand the concept of 'gaps' in the literature and how to identify areas that require further research.



4. Research Methodology:

(Group D): (Fahd Abdulahdeem Sabah Muhsin, Gailan Salam Braim Rahman, Muhammad Majed Khder, Mohammed Nzar Mustafa, Darya Farhang Abdul Ghafor, Sumaya Najmaldeen Hamad)

- Discuss various data collection methods, such as surveys, interviews, and observations.
- Explore different data analysis techniques, including qualitative and quantitative methods.
- Highlight the importance of choosing the right methodology for a research question.
- Discuss the concept of research design and its types (e.g., experimental, descriptive).
- Discuss the importance of pilot studies and their role in refining the research process.
- Explain the ethical considerations in research methodology.



5. Citation and References:

Group (E): (Aland Dlshad Aziz, Dilvin Omran Mohammed, Mariam Sherko Rasheed, Shakew Shamil Hamdullah, Hema Khoshawi Saeed)

- Explain the importance of proper citation and referencing in academic research.
- Discuss different citation styles (e.g., APA, MLA, Harvard) and their nuances.
- Highlight the consequences of plagiarism and how to avoid it.
- Demonstrate the use of citation tools and software.
- Discuss the concept of "self-citation" and the appropriate scenarios for citing one's own previous work.



6. Forms of Academic Publications:

Group (F): (Sheela Nawzad Younis, Barin Siyamand Ahmed, Raha Khder, Renas Khidhir Bayiz, Rayan Mohammed Ismail)

- Highlight the differences between journals, books, and conferences.
- Discuss the significance, structure, and purpose of each form of publication.
- Different Classification of Journal articles and conferences.
- Highlight the role of impact factor and other metrics in evaluating journals.
- Describe the process of manuscript submission and the stages of editorial review.



Submission Guidelines:

- Your paper should be approximately 5-7 pages in length, excluding the reference list.
- Use a consistent font (Times New Roman, 12-point) and Single-Spaced your paper.
- Include page numbers and use headings/subheadings to organize your content. Ensure your paper is free of grammatical and typographical errors.
- Avoid Plagiarism
- Use APA 7th to cite sources used in your assignment.

Presentation Guidelines:

- Design a cohesive and visually appealing PowerPoint presentation that encapsulates all the topics mentioned above.
- Ensure clarity, coherence, and proper organization of content.
- Incorporate real-life examples where applicable to enhance understanding.
- Include interactive activities or questions to engage the audience.
- Practice your presentation to ensure smooth delivery and effective communication.

Presentation Day:

- All the members of the group must participate in presenting (No excuse).
- Ensure that your presentation is engaging, informative, and lasts no longer than 15 mins.
- Please be aware that the assessment of the written group assignment will be different from the presentation.

Deadline: November 25, 2023