

PITT EXCEL PROGRAM

RESEARCH PROSPECTUS

TENTATIVE

OBJECTIVES: To develop a timeline that will help to complete your obligations and receive your research stipend check.
Create an accountability system with which to measure your participation.

INSTRUCTIONS: In consultation with your faculty mentor, develop a written plan for your research project, which includes all of the components listed below.

NOTE: ALL prospectus plans are due to the EXCEL office (B74 BEH) **by (TBA)**.

PART 1: RESEARCH PROSPECTUS PLAN

Use the below listed components *as subject headings* in your written prospectus:

- Objective:** What is the primary goal of the project/faculty research area? Why is it important?
- Methodology:** How the objective will be accomplished.
- Research Literature:** What has been published on the topic?
 - Include listing of published authors.
 - Complete literature review form(s).
- Expected outcome & impact of research.**
- Research Process:** What you expect to learn from the project?
- Timeline to accomplish the objective(s).**

PART 2: PRESENTATIONS

Each participant is required to conduct a research presentation.

- Practice Presentation (TBA)**
 - An opportunity for participants to practice their presentation.
 - Audience may include some students from the School of Engineering.
 - The prospectus detailed above should provide the framework for your presentation.
 - You must sign up for a time to practice.
 - All practices will be held in B63 Multimedia Room Benedum Hall.
- Research Presentation (TBA)**
 - Audience will include faculty, staff, and members of School of Engineering administration.
 - The method/style of each presentation should include PowerPoint (projection with computer).
 - Final PowerPoint file due to the EXCEL office **no later than (TBA)**.
 - Location TBA

I have read & understand the requirements in developing a research prospectus. This information has been shared with my faculty mentor & an EXCEL staff member has addressed all relevant questions. (Note: Please sign legibly. All signatures are required.)

Student signature

Date

Faculty/Mentor signature

Date

EXCEL staff signature

Date