



# **APA ABSTRACT**

## WHAT IS AN ABSTRACT?

An abstract is similar to an executive summary and is a concise summary of the key points of your paper. You should highlight the most important information, including the main topic, research questions, results/conclusions, data, and analysis. If your paper has sections, include the main point from each section.

### **FORMATTING THE ABSTRACT**

- Start on a new page. Typically, the abstract will come on the second page, directly after the title page.
- On the first line of the page, center the word "Abstract."
- On the next line, write a concise summary.
- Do not indent the abstract as you would a paragraph.
- The abstract should be a single paragraph between 150 and 250 words.

# **EXAMPLE**

#### Abstract

This study argues that U.S college populations are becoming more diverse, yet faculty works from a "monocultural" perspective. This fault is addressed by an examination of the features, involvements, viewpoints, and commitments to diversity of educational leaders and teachers trained in diversity programs in four urban college institutions. The study includes 116 participants with majority in the middle of their teaching career. Using a MANOVA, the authors found that there was significant support for the goals of diversity programs but a significantly weak assurance in implementing the trainings. It is





suggested that a comprehensive training strategy be implemented: recruiting multicultural staff members, and providing field experiences with diverse students for teacher candidates.