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Compass Guide
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How to Plan Your Research Project: A Step-by-Step Practical Guide for Postgraduate Students

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The overall objective of this online course is to provide step-by-step practical guidance for planning research projects and developing a detailed project plan

Specific Course Objectives

Look at research projects through the project management lens

Discuss the difference between a research proposal and a project plan

Explore the steps involved in planning research projects

Study an example of a research project plan created using the Compass Guide project planning templates

Target Audience

Doctoral and Master's students

Course Format

4 online sessions of 2 hours each
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Presentations



Group
discussions



Workbook
activities



Online polls



Project planning
templates



Videos

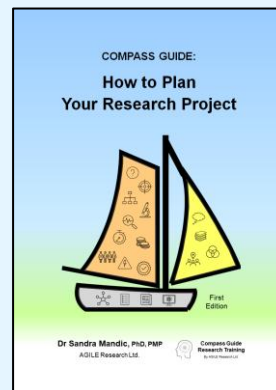
Sessions, Cost and Registration

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<https://agileresearch.nz/compass-guide-courses/>

Relevant Resource

Book: [Compass Guide:
How to Plan Your Research Project](#)



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for research
students and
professionals
involved in
research
projects

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Session 1

Fundamentals of project management

- Research projects seen through the project management lens
- Critical success factors for planning feasible projects

Define project objectives

- Factors which influence the process of turning research ideas into research questions

Define project scope

- Factors that shape the scope of research projects

Plan project procedures and data collection

- Planning project procedures to answer research questions
- Considerations for planning data collection

Session 2

Plan project timeline

- Factors that influence research project timeline
- How to develop the project timeline

Plan project resources and budget

- Assessment of resource requirements
- Putting together a research project budget

Establish a research team

- Project needs and team members' roles, expertise, responsibilities and time commitment

Session 3

Plan risk assessment and management

- Identification and assessment of project risks
- Planning risk responses, monitoring, control and management

Plan project deliverables

- Choosing appropriate deliverables for your research project

Prepare a research proposal

- Components of a research proposal
- Writing effective research proposals

Session 4

Obtain necessary approvals

- Requirements and processes for obtaining ethical approval

Secure research funding

- The art and science of research grant writing
- Characteristics of projects that are more likely to receive funding

Put together your project plan

- Components of a detailed research project plan
- How to keep your research project on track

