Writing the Abstract for Your Graduate Capstone Thesis at AMU/APU

Part 1:
What is an Abstract?

- Summary of a written work
- Located at beginning of the paper
- Introduces the paper to your reader
- Stands on its own as a piece of writing.
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Purpose of the research

Identifies the stated objective or focus of your investigation

Answers the question:
“What research problem was addressed and why?”

Methodology

Identifies the research method or methods you used when you did your study.

Theoretical approach (if used) included here as well.
Findings

Reports the results of your research.

Findings are stated briefly and are not explained.

Conclusion

Expresses the implications or importance of your study.

If a hypothesis test, state whether hypothesis was correct.
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- What an abstract is
- Why it is important
- What information you must include in the abstract