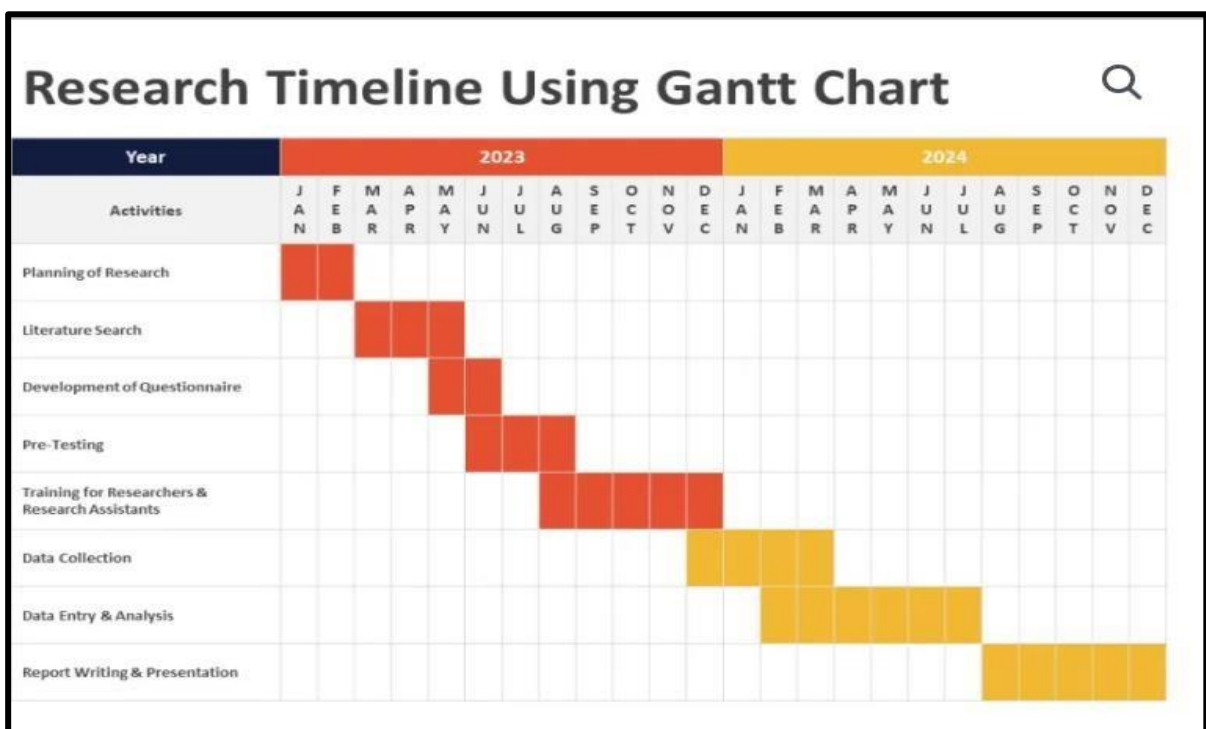
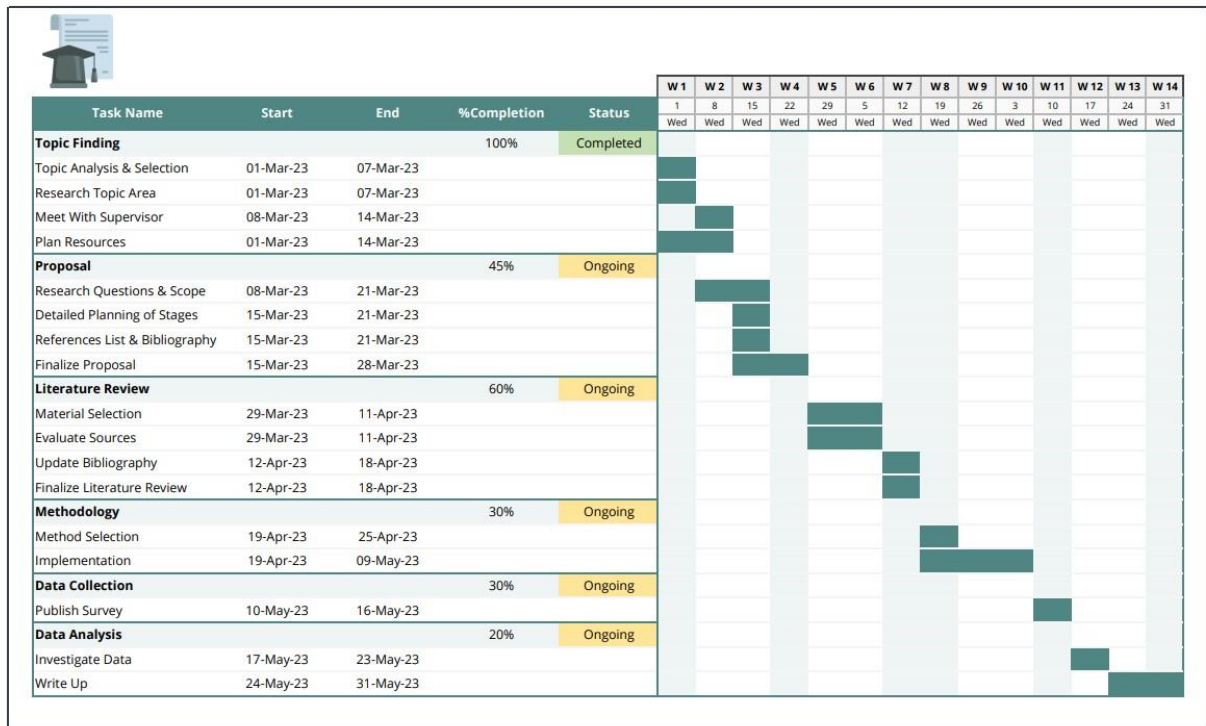


## Dear Students

**Your task 1:** is to present your research timeline Gantt Chart. A *Gantt chart* is defined as a graphical representation of activity against time; it helps project professionals monitor progress. Gantt charts are essentially task scheduling tools: project management timelines and tasks are converted into horizontal bars (also called Gantt bars) to form a bar chart. Watch this video: [ <https://youtu.be/aj4H2nVuqNE?si=UQmrl7YCRw0zpVmZ> ]

## Sample:



Your research timeline should start from 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 and end in the following term Week 10 (possible date but will be confirmed by the university) submission date for component 2.

**Your task 2:**

- Your final research title
- Your final research aim
- Your final research objectives (2 or 3 objectives)
- The rationale behind your research topic and what makes this topic attractive

✚ A research aim describes the main goal or the overarching purpose of your research project.

✚ Where a research aim specifies what your study will answer, research objectives specify how your study will answer it. The research objectives divide your research aim into several smaller parts, each of which represents a key section of your research project. As a result, almost all research objectives take the form of a numbered list, with each item usually receiving its own chapter in a dissertation or thesis.

✚ The rationale of your research is the reason for conducting the study. The rationale should answer the need for conducting the said research. It is a very important part of your dissertation as it justifies the significance and novelty of the study. That is why it is also referred to as the justification of the study.

*Kind regards*

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