

**Office of Graduate Studies – Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
Research Proposal Template¹**

Abstract (Word Limit: 150 words):

1. Proposed Research Topic

2. Motivation

(Why do you pick this research topic?; Why is it interesting and important?; How does it relate to your work and experience?)

3. Relevance

(How is this research topic relevant in addressing contemporary issues/challenges in professional practice, industry, and/or society?)

4. Literature Review

(What is the corpus of knowledge on the proposed topic? How does the proposed topic extend from existing understanding?)

5. Research Methods

(How do you plan to conduct the research? How do you intend to collect and analyse the data for this research?)

6. Identified Potential Supervisor from SUSS (if any)

¹ Suggested Guideline for Word Count: 1,500 to 2,500 words
(excluding references)