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Research Proposal

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| Prospective supervisor |  | Signature of prospective  supervisor |  |

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| Research theme |  |

**1. Research Proposal Overview (In 600 words or less)**

(Explain your research theme. Include your research objectives and what extent and how it will be pursued through the research.)

**2. Background of Research and Reason for Application (In 600 words or less)**

(Based on how you came to be interested in the research theme and your academic background in the area, state why you want to study at this graduate school.)

**3. Research Method and Schedule (In 400 words or less)**

(Write specifically your intended approach and schedule for engaging in your research while enrolled at this graduate school.)

**4. Distinguishing Characteristics and Originality of Research (In 400 words or less)**

(Write the distinguishing characteristics, original aspects, positioning, and significance of your research as compared to earlier research and other existing efforts.)

**5. References**

(If works by others were referenced or quoted in preparing the Research Proposal, write the names of authors, titles of books/thesis, publishers/publishing magazines, and year of publication.)

**<Points to note when writing the Research Proposal>**

1. Write the specified number of characters for each item. The Research Proposal herein should be no more than a total of four pages in length.

2. Sources must be acknowledged when referencing or quoting the written works of others in the Research Proposal. Within the text where sources are referenced, include the following information: (Name of author(s), Year published, and Page of citation/quote). Write bibliographic items under “5. References.”