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Research Proposal

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| Research theme |  |

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

(Explain your research theme. Include your research objectives and how far you intend to clarify matters 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 attend 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 Used**

(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>**

Note: 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.

Note: 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 Used.”