

PhD Pre-Proposal

The student will work on this document with the support of their assigned supervisor. Once completed, it will be submitted to the Graduate Chair.

It is due by the end of the third term in the program.

1. Name:

2. Working title:

3. Identify in order of importance three central objectives that you want to pursue in this research

i)

ii)

iii)

4. Brief description of topic area

(This section should be used to identify the core of your enquiry, to summarize the overall scope of your topic and to provide some information on the methods/approach/ theory which you will be adopting) +/- 250-300 words

5. Initial bibliographic resources

Be consistent with the citing system that you choose to work with and specify which one it is.

a) Primary sources (data, books, film, artworks, etc.)

b) Secondary sources (reading list – scholarly articles, monographs, etc.)

6. Corpus

Identify the corpus that is necessary for your research. Indicate availability (include UWO libraries, abroad, etc).

7. Other resources

Identify the resources you will need to achieve your research objectives (eg. library, archive, screening, interview, data recompilation, etc).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

8. Outline plan.

Give an outline plan of the way in which you think the dissertation might be organized, using headings and brief indications of content. The headings will help you to reflect on the structure of the dissertation. You may consider these headings as chapters. You do not have to fill in all spaces.

Introduction

Heading 1:

Contents:

Heading 2:

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Heading 3:

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Heading 4:

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Heading 5:

Contents:

Conclusion

9. Timeline to completion

Schedule of research (as of 3rd term — terms 1 and 2 might be fully concentrated on courses). This is to allow you to set yourself targets for completion.

Term 3:

Term 4:

Term 5:

Term 6:

Term 7:

Term 8:

Term 9:

Term 10:

Term 11:

Term 12:

10. Ethics

Does your research imply getting Ethics approval?

Yes

No

11. Funding sources

a) Please list scholarships, grants or other funding opportunities that you might be applying to. Provide names of scholarships and funding bodies; and estimate dates (when will you apply?)

b) If your project implies travelling abroad, please identify potential funding sources.

12. Supervisor's comments and signature