

# Cyl Dissertation Proposal Template

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## Cover page

The cover page should include the title, student's name, committee members, and date of submission. The title should not exceed 25 words. Cover page template: see below.

## Abstract

A brief abstract of the work following (200-300 words max.).

## Background – Literature review

The background section should give a brief overview of external research leading to the research question. The background will inform the reader of the state-of-the-art in the discipline/topic being proposed and will identify a specific research direction to be pursued.

The background should clearly identify gaps in the existing knowledge as well as outline why the research is important and should be conducted.

## Research Question(s) and/or Objectives

The research questions or research objectives are broad statements of the goals of the research. They are directly related to the gaps in existing knowledge identified in the previous section. The objectives would cover what the research is attempting to find out (in broad terms).

## Research methodology

Describe your procedure, materials, limitations, assumptions and validity and data processing techniques. Requirements for laboratory space or specialized equipment should be included here. This section will also include a clear and sufficiently detailed time-line as well as a number of verifiable milestones for the work to be done.

## Expected outcomes

A section describing the results you expect to gain from answering the research questions.

## Bibliography

Include a bibliography of all cited works. Limit the number of web material used and give preference to peer reviewed international journal publications.

## Style guide

The proposal should be typed with a font size not exceeding 12 points and be double-spaced. A text of about 4000 words, corresponding roughly to 20 pages, including about four pages of figures and tables, should be provided. Page margins should be 2.5 cm on all sides.

# THESIS TITLE

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