

RESEARCH PROPOSAL (include title and project reference)

Your research proposal must outline the topic of your proposed research, the questions it will address and some indication of how you will conduct your research. It is an integral part of the application process. It should be no more than 2000 words in length (not including references) and must include the research project title and reference.

The criteria listed below will be used in both selecting those applicants who will be called for interview and those who will be successful in securing a PGR award, and these should help you form your research proposal.

a) Context and significance of your research.

Please outline the significance and originality of your proposed research, indicating:

- aims,
- relationship to previous research in the field,
- research question(s) you are seeking to answer

b) Research design and methods

Please outline the design of your proposed research, indicating:

- methodology and methods
- a timetable for completion of the PGR award
- ethical considerations that your research may raise

c) Dissemination and impact

Please identify:

- possible opportunities to disseminate your research to academic audiences during your PGR programme
- the ways in which your research might be relevant outside academia

d) References

You are strongly advised to discuss your proposal with the named Supervisor(s) before making your application.