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DOCTORAL THESIS PROPOSAL

(Use as much space as necessary to complete each section.)

Double-space the text in each section except the bibliographic entries in section VI. The minimum length of the completed thesis should be 150 pages min, 300 pages maximum.

I. TITLE

Provide a tentative title for your thesis. It should be concise and precise; that is, it should give the reader, in the fewest possible words, an exact statement of the subject of your thesis and allow other researchers to correctly infer the topic of your research or project.

II. THE PROBLEM

State clearly, fully but succinctly the problem or question you intend to investigate. What human values are at stake? (about 100 words)

III. REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE

Others have contributed pertinent works to your field historically, philosophically, or scientifically. What closely related problems, ideas, or solutions will you build on and use in your research? What contribution do you expect your research to make to the literature? Identify and concisely summarize the major works you have examined and relate them to your proposed thesis topic, (about 500 words, 2 - 2 ½ pages).

IV. THE PROCEDURE or METHOD OF RESEARCH

Briefly describe how you plan to investigate the problem addressed by your thesis. Your description may consist of an outline of research methods or procedures, proposed chapter headings, or other pertinent information, (about 500 words).

V. THE PROBABLE TIMETABLE

In so far as you can forecast at present, give a timetable/schedule for your research, meetings with your advisor along with the actual writing and completion of the thesis.

VI. SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

This is a short list of books, articles, etc. (no more than 20) which you have used to produce your proposal and which you find relevant to the topic proposed. The bibliography should be accurate, pertinent, and selective and provide full citations for each source listed..

Use one of the two approved styles (footnote/endnotes & bibliography or parenthetical references and reference list) for the bibliography presented in the 7th edition of K. Turabian's *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*.