

General Guidelines for Dissertation Proposal

Purpose –

In the Dissertation Proposal, the student is expected to outline a research project that will suffice for developing and writing a PhD dissertation successfully. The student must describe previous work relevant to the proposed research, specific problems that he/she will tackle, projected outcomes (such as results, publications, conference presentations, etc...), and a tentative time schedule to achieve his/her goals.

Written Format –

It is recommended that all relevant information of the Dissertation Proposal is organized in a 10-20 page single sided, single spaced document. References can be included separately.

Oral Presentation –

The student must prepare a 25-30 min presentation to present his/her Dissertation Proposal to the PhD Committee for evaluation.