

**Ph.D. Synopsis Template**  
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The scholars must follow the format as given below:

**Cover Page:** Title of the Study

- Clear, Precise and Research-focused.
- Should indicate core theme, variables and geographical area (if applicable)

**1. Introduction**

This section establishes the context and significance of the study therefore may incorporate background of the study, importance of the topic, current trends or debates in the field, relevance to society, policy or theory, etc.

**2. Theoretical/ Conceptual Framework**

**3. Review of Literature**

**4. Research Gap**

**5. Statement of the Problem**

**6. Objectives of the Study**

- Clear, measurable and aligned with the research problem

**7. Research Questions (optional)**

**8. Hypotheses**

**9. Significance of the Study**

**10. Research Methodology**

- (i) Research Design
- (ii) Study Area
- (iii) Data Sources
- (iv) Sampling Design/ Method
- (v) Sample Size
- (vi) Data Analyses

**11. Tentative Chapterization**

**12. Limitations of the Study**

- Define boundaries: geographical limits, time period, data constraints etc.

**13. References (APA -latest edition style)**

Additional Note:

- (i) **Cover page** must content Title of the Synopsis, name of the department, names of Supervisor and Scholar with signatures, and Year
- (ii) Length of the synopsis : 10 to 15 pages with clear headings and sub headings
- (iii) Line spacing: 1.5, Font: Times New Romans, 12 pt
- (iv) All pages must be numbered, except for the cover page.

  
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