

**GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES, UTRECHT UNIVERSITY;
RESEARCH PROPOSAL OUTLINE, August 2018**

We want you to write down your research ideas in a proposal. This proposal should not be more than 4 pages (times roman 10), plus maximum one page of references. In your proposal, address all of the following seven topics:

1. Central focus

What is the topic you wish to investigate in your research? What is the central question or thesis you wish to address?

2. Context of the work

Sketch the theoretical and empirical background for your topic (list key works in your bibliography);

3. Key research questions

List the key specific research questions which arise from your central focus

4. Research methods

What will be the key method(s) you will use to address your topic and research questions? Why is/are these the most appropriate method(s) for your topic and questions?

What is your experience with these methods?

5. Outcome(s) and contribution

Contribution you hope your work will make to the specific topic and the relevant wider field of study

6. Initial bibliography

Please list no more than one page of key bibliography which you will need to engage with to pursue your research.

7. Please indicate clearly how your proposal relates to one of the following research areas of the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences. Note that this is an important part of your proposal: we can only accept proposals that fit into one of these lines.

Research Areas of the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences, Utrecht University

1. *Child and Adolescent Studies* (Pedagogical Sciences, Developmental Psychology, and Interdisciplinary Sciences)
2. *Clinical Psychology and Experimental Psychopathology UU* (Clinical Psychology)
3. *Educational and Learning Sciences* (Pedagogical Sciences, Educational Sciences, and Psychology)
4. *Methodology and Statistics for The Behavioural and Social Sciences* (Methodology & Statistics)
5. *Migration, Ethnic Relations and Multiculturalism* (Interdisciplinary Sciences)
6. *Neuroscience & Cognition* (Experimental Psychology)
7. *Social, Health, and Organisation Psychology* (Social and Organisation Psychology, Health Psychology)
8. *Social Networks, Solidarity and Inequality* (Sociology)
9. *Sovereignty and Social Contestation in Complex Societies* (Cultural Anthropology)

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