
PHD PROSPECTIVE THESIS FORM

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TOPIC

Please describe the topic you intend to write your thesis on.

TITLE

Please write here the potential title for your thesis.

ARGUMENT

Please think about, and describe, what your expected argument will be. This will need some thinking and some readings before you come up with an argument. The argument may change later, but it is important to have one after you do some readings (see below).

Example

“This thesis will argue that China’s rise poses a challenge to the international system due to its economic size and its non-democratic methods. “

THESIS STRUCTURE

Please think about, and describe, how many chapters you expect to write. This will need some thinking and you will need to do some readings before you come up with a plan. There are a few fixed parts that should be there: all theses should have an introduction, an argument, a counterargument, and a conclusion. Introduction and conclusion should be separate chapters; argument and counterargument don’t need to be separate chapters.

Example

- 1. Introduction*
 - 2. Literature Review*
 - 3. China and the International System*
 - 4. Why China Poses a Challenge*
 - 5. Counterargument*
 - 6. Conclusion*
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LITERATURE

Please think about, find, and describe, the main materials (books, articles, etc) you expect to use for the thesis. To do so, you need to first do some research in the library website to see what is available.