**FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**

**PROPOSED DOCTORAL RESEARCH CONCEPT TEMPLATE**

**(for doctoral applications)**

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| Applicant’s name/s and surname |  |
| Nationality |  |
| Telephone or Cellphone Numbers |  |
| Postal Address |  |
| E-mail Address |  |
| Proposed title of doctoral research project (Not more than 17 words) |  |
| A brief introduction to the study (Not more than 150 words) |  |
| A brief background of the study (not more than 300 words) |  |
| Research Gap/s and associated Research questions |  |
| Write down the aim of the study. |  |
| Provide not more than four empirical objectives of your proposed study |  |
| Theoretical inspiration (Underlying theory or theories if any) |  |
| What are the likely theoretical contributions of your study? |  |
| Briefly state the practical significance of your study |  |
| Indicate the research methodology and associated methods you want to follow in your study. (Quantitative, Qualitative, or mixed methods). Provide a brief motivation for your choice. |  |
| Highlight in brief the scope (delimitations) of the study. |  |
| Indicate your sampling design approach. Provide a brief rationale for your choice. |  |
| Highlight the target population in your study. |  |
| Indicate how you will collect the data, including the choice of data collection instruments/tools |  |
| Provide an indication of your access to the respondents |  |
| Which data analysis techniques will be applied to your study |  |
| Which measures of reliability, validity and trustworthiness will you consider in your study? |  |
| What ethical considerations are you most likely to follow during your study? |  |
| Indicate the proposed timetable for the completion of the research project |  |
| Write down any six reference sources that you used in developing your research concept |  |
| Date of submission |  |