Research Project Proposal

Introduction
- Complete the following and submit it to the Dean of Studies.
- The Board of Studies will determine if the proposal is viable and appoint a supervisor.
- Enrol using the usual semester enrolment form.
- Note: writing is very time consuming. Plan ahead and aim to work steadily on your project before you formally enter for it.

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<th>Award</th>
<th>Subject/credit points</th>
<th>Length</th>
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<th>Supervision &amp; grading</th>
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<td>MDiv research project (8 point)</td>
<td>all fields have 4cp and 8 cp options (8 cp is compulsory for MDiv) but 4 cp is possible for GradDip. Students may only do one per course</td>
<td>7000 for GradDip 8000 for MDiv</td>
<td>opportunity to explore aspects of research relevant to their major. May be academic or field-based research from one subject area or across several</td>
<td>program must be submitted to an appropriate moderator. Assessed by faculty but copy sent to moderator. The supervisor may examine the project if he/she has not read final draft</td>
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<td>GDCS</td>
<td>IN 650 (4 cp)</td>
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<td>sustained in-depth research in the area of integration of their professional and life interests with aspects of Christian tradition.</td>
<td>supervised by faculty but adjunct may co-supervise. IN 650 assessed internally and moderated by appropriate moderator.</td>
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<td>BMin/BTh Honours</td>
<td>16 cps</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>Writing in which an extended argument is sustained by evidence, and in which there is a demonstration of reading across a variety of viewpoints which are empathically reported.</td>
<td>Supervised by faculty but externally examined by an examiner appointed by the ACT Dean in consultation with the student and his/her supervisor.</td>
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<td>BCS</td>
<td>4 cps Integrative Project</td>
<td>5,000</td>
<td>Opportunity to develop research and reporting skills</td>
<td>program must be submitted to an appropriate moderator.</td>
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### Area of proposed project

E.g., theology, evangelism and missions, etc

### (provisional) Title

#### The Project
- Explain briefly your topic and basic aims (no more than 50 words)
- While the project is not a PhD thesis, it should not be simply descriptive but should include critical reflection – see marking criteria in the [Essay Guide](#)

#### Justification for Project
- Why do you want to do this project?
- How will it contribute to the other subjects you have done

#### (provisional) Outline of Project
- This need only be in summary point form; it will change shape as you do your research and writing

#### Bibliography
- This need only be a brief working bibliography in the proposal stage
- It should though indicate an awareness of the area and topic of study
- It must be set out correctly, with full bibliographical details
Method
- this will depend on the area of study and the topic. For example, in a history essay you might want to use some of the insights or typology of social theory, e.g., Weber’s church-sect typology.

Ethics clearance
- if your project deals with human subjects you must get ethics clearance
- this involves completing the ethics guidelines and submitting it to the Board of Studies

Supervision
- you and your supervisor are responsible for deciding how often you should meet, and your rate of progress
- the supervisor will submit a bi-monthly progress report to the board of studies