**PROPOSAL DEFENCE**

For Proposal Defence, students are required to submit Research Proposal and present the research proposal in a presentation.

**Contents of Research Proposal**

Research proposal is a written statement of the research design that includes a statement explaining the objective of the study and a detailed, systematic outline of a particular research methodology. Normally, the research proposal for a Master/PhD degree includes the following key elements:

* Full title of the research
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* Problem statement/Problem identification
* Research objectives/Research questions
* Scope and limitation of the study
* Significance of the study
* Literature review
* Conceptual framework (if applicable)
* Hypotheses (if applicable)
* Research methodology/ research design/ sampling/ data collection/ plan for data analysis
* Expected Output
* Study plan/Gantt chart
* List of references

Notes for students:

1. *The suitable length of research proposal is different from one field to another. Please refer to your supervisor.*
2. *Please do not include the whole chapter of your literature review in the research proposal. Present only the summary of the review.*

**Format for PowerPoint Presentation**

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