

Project description

A plan for the research work in the form of a project description of 5-8 pages must accompany the application. The project description must describe the theme, set of issues being addressed and the choice of theory and method. Several important points must be considered when drawing up a project description to apply for the doctoral education at the Faculty of Social Sciences:

- Applicants must document their familiarity with the research field, both nationally and internationally
- The problem examined must be clearly presented and appropriately delimited. It must be demonstrated that the project will extend existing knowledge and/or will be a basis for further research within the field
- It must be demonstrated that the methods and theories proposed are well suited to answering the problem or that there are good opportunities to develop the method and theory necessary. Analytical methods must be described
- Research ethics should be assessed. The application must state whether the project depends on permission from research ethics committees or other authorities or from private persons (such as informants, patients or parents). If possible, such permissions should be obtained and attached to the application
- Documentation of any extraordinary requirements regarding academic and material resources
- A plan for academic dissemination
- Details of any intellectual property restrictions to protect the rights of others
- The description must specify a progress plan for the various parts of the research project, including any possible stays abroad
- Establish a budget with respect to the expenses for conducting the project: software, books, courses, data collection, fieldwork and the like
- It should be demonstrated that the project can be completed within the standard length of time and the financial framework available

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