

Outlining your research proposal (Template 2)

Problem Statement:	<i>Briefly write down the problem statement that your research wants to tackle.</i>	A good problem statement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is direct and to the point - Gives a very brief context about the problem (what do we already know about the problem?)
Research Aim:	<i>Write down what you want to achieve through your research</i>	A good research aim: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provides an overview of your end goal. - is what you are aspiring to do through your research. - Usually start with a verb (e.g. explore, identify, evaluate, test,...)
Research Question:	<i>Write down the questions you will ask to meet your research aim</i>	A good research question is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - is specific and achievable - clearly links back to your research aim - is an open question starting with who, what, why, where, how and should not be framed as a yes/no question.
Research Methodology:	<i>Select what type of research you will use to answer your research question. You can select more than one.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Quantitative (e.g. surveys used to quantify) <input type="radio"/> Qualitative (e.g. interviews, focus groups) <input type="radio"/> Co-design (e.g. conducting workshops to bring together people to design a prototype) <input type="radio"/> Archival (e.g. studying and analysing films stored in archives) <input type="radio"/> Participatory Action Research (e.g. working with a group to conduct research where they are co-researchers) <input type="radio"/> Ethnographic (e.g. observing how people interact with something) <input type="radio"/> Other: 	There are a lot of different methodologies. Your methodology and choice of methodology will evolve as you develop your research aims and questions.