

## PhD Research Concept Note

Maximum two pages that outlines the intent of the study covering the following aspects:

- 1. Research topic:** Relates to the research question you are going to answer in your dissertation.
- 2. Research question:** Forms the base of your inquiry into a specific concern or issue. It should specify the concern or issue and what you want to know about it.
- 3. Brief overview:** Succinctly introduce the topic, give background and context, and outline your problem statement and how it relates to your research question(s).  
Indicate how much is already known about the problem and what is missing from current knowledge.
- 4. Significance of study:** Why is this research worth doing? How does the study relate to problem solving and application? Explore the potential implications of your research for theory or practice and emphasize what new insights you aim to contribute to existing knowledge on the topic.