

How to write the research proposal

Applicants are requested to attach a research proposal to their applications. The short proposal must be written in English, and must not exceed 5,000 characters (spaces included). It must contain the following elements:

- a reference to the relevant academic literature;
- the reason(s) why a particular aspect of the existing literature is deemed to be defective, or in need of further investigation;
- the main points of the proposed project;
- the methodology and the data (if any) envisaged for carrying out the project;
- a bibliography

Recall that, at this stage, the content of the proposal is not binding for the research of students in case they will be enrolled in the DREAM Ph.D. program.