DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY’S THESIS PROSPECTUS
INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Title Page** (should include title, your name, Supervisor’s name, signature & date and the two sentences “In compliance with Department of Sociology regulations…)

2. **Statement of Problem** (general hypothesis if applicable)

3. **Theoretical Context**

4. **Literature Review** (highly selective major sources)

5. **Research Design**
   a. Data Source (e.g. library, secondary analysis, survey)
   b. Sample (if applicable)
   c. Measurement Instruments (if applicable)
   d. Data Analysis

6. **Proposed Chapter Outline**

7. **Work Timetable**

8. **Preliminary Bibliography**

   **Note:** The normal length of an MA thesis prospectus is approximately 15 pages. The normal length of a PhD thesis prospectus is approximately 50 pages.

   For further instructions, please refer to the *Department of Sociology Graduate Handbook.*

   M.A. students, see page 6
   Ph.D. students, see page 10