

**PURPOSE AND QUICK GUIDELINES OF RESEARCH PROPOSAL FOR  
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR FURTHERING TO POSTGRADUATE STUDIES**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE RESEARCH PROPOSAL**

- To discuss whether the problem proposed to be investigated is appropriate to be researched and well suited to Brunei Darussalam's needs by providing sufficient information and an outline of student's plans for the completion of their studies, which includes details of the research, time scale, and recommendations.
- To ensure that students are well prepared and recognises what they are required to do and achieve at the end of their studies by avoiding misconception and failures of students attending inappropriate and unsuitable postgraduate courses, due to desperately selecting non knowledgeable and unrelated courses.

As defined by the University of Nottingham Postgraduate Prospectus webpage <http://pgstudy.nottingham.ac.uk/apply-postgraduate-course/writing-research-proposal.aspx>, the purpose of a research proposal:

- Clearly defining the topic of the research that you are interested in studying during your postgraduate level.
- Show that you have begun to identify and develop an interesting and original research question in relation to your chosen topic.

**2. QUICK GUIDE OF THE OUTLINE OF RESEARCH PROPOSAL**

Students should detail out professionally matters relating to their applied courses. Proposal submitted must be between 1,500 words to 3,000 words. Students should make their OWN efforts to research appropriate details for their proposals. Students may refer online via suitable educational websites or published articles and books. Students are reminded to provide a reference list and bibliography of referred articles to avoid plagiarism.

**OUTLINE OF RESEARCH PROPOSAL**

1. Title of the Topic of your research, including description why the topic has aspired your interest.
2. Introduction of proposed research, including Aims of the Research
3. Literature Review
4. Significance / Objectives of Research – why you chose the topic, how it might be useful for the current and future developments of Brunei Darussalam, relations to your previous studies.
5. Proposed research strategy / methodology – Qualitative, Quantitative or both.
6. Proposal research format and design, including timeline of research, detailed requirements of the research and draft chapters.
7. Expected Outcomes and Its Importance
8. Bibliography and References.