

**MPHIL and PHD by Research**

**APPLICANT RESEARCH OVERVIEW**

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| **TITLE** Suggested maximum word count: 10 – 15 words  |
| Please insert the title of your proposed research project in the box below. Your title should tell the reader, concisely and precisely, the key aspects of your proposed research project and subject area. Please keep this short and simple.  |
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