



NSEG MASTER'S THESIS GRANT

Thesis Proposal Format

For MSc in Geoscience Students

1. Page Format

The proposal should be prepared on A4 paper in portrait orientation, with 2.5 cm margins on all sides. The proposal must not exceed 5 pages, including figures, tables, and references. The language of the proposal should be English.

2. Font and Text

The proposal should be written in Times New Roman. The main text should be 12 pt, with 1.15-line spacing and justified alignment. The text should be black.

3. Title and Author Information

The title should be Times New Roman, 16 pt, bold, black, and centered. The applicant's name should be 12 pt, bold, black, and centered, followed by the university, department, program, and email in 12 pt, centered.

4. Headings

Main headings should be 14 pt, bold, and black. Subheadings should be 12 pt, bold, and black. A maximum of three heading levels should be used: 1., 1.1, and 1.1.1.

5. Recommended Proposal Sections

The proposal should generally include the following sections:

1. Background and Problem Statement
2. Research Objectives
3. Literature Review
4. Methodology
5. Relevance to Geoscience
6. Innovation and Originality
7. Expected Outcomes
8. Work Plan / Timeline
9. Budget and Justification
10. References

6. Figures and Tables

Figures and tables should be numbered consecutively (Figure 1, Table 1, etc.). Figure captions should be placed below figures, while table captions should be placed above tables. Captions should be in Times New Roman; 11 pt. Figures, maps, and photographs may be presented in color where necessary, but they should be clear and readable.



7. References

A consistent academic referencing style should be used throughout the proposal. Only references cited in the proposal should be included. References should be in Times New Roman, 12 pt.

8. Submission

Applicants should submit both the editable Word (.docx) file and the final PDF (.pdf) file. Both files must contain the same final version of the proposal, and the proposal must remain within the 5-page limit.