# **ECO 690: Thesis (Postgraduate)**

## **Proposal Guideline**

Submit a brief proposal of your intended Thesis topic which should follow the suggested structure below. The proposal length is limited to 1500 words, excluding references, tables, figures, footnotes and appendices<sup>1</sup>. Your proposal needs to be accepted by your prospective supervisor to commence the research aspect of the thesis.

#### 1. Title

(Tentative) title which describes the topic of your paper.

#### 2. Introduction and Motivation

- Provide brief background information on the topic and relevant field
- Why is it important to discuss/analyze the topic?
- What is your objective (aim/goal) of this research?

#### 3. Literature Review

Identify and cite articles that you found particularly interesting and useful for this paper. Make sure you try to verify the reliability and quality of your sources. Use quotation marks if any part(s) of the articles is quoted directly.

# 4. Approach/Methodology

Describe how the topic will be analyzed, including a brief discussion of the econometric Method (if any).

### 5. Data/Information (YOU NEED TO BE VERY SPECIFIC)

Describe where you are going to look for the required information/data:

- Academic journals, bureau of statistics, World Bank, IMF, FRED, primary data collection, etc.
- Other sources (i.e., proprietary secondary data sources)

# 6. Structure and Timeline

- Tentative number of chapters and a brief description
- Gantt Chart showing the expected timeline for completion of each task

N.B.: Font size should be 11 or bigger (Times new roman) and line gap should be 1.5. You are encourage to avail LATEX/Overleaf as a word processor for your proposal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The appendix is limited to 1000 words, inclusive of all items.