

THE UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND  
SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES  
**FULL THESIS RESEARCH PROPOSAL**

The proposal should be no longer than **5 (five)** pages, excluding references, and should include the following:

- **Candidate's name & UoA ID number**
- **Thesis title**
- **Names of Main Supervisor & Co-Supervisor/s**
- **Background** (briefly indicate what you propose to do and state in what ways your contribution will be significant and original)
- **Aims and objectives** (clearly specify the purpose of the research, indicating the main hypotheses)
- **Research Design** (Which data is required? What major methods or procedures will be used to collect and analyse the data?)
- **Ethical approvals** (are these required? If so, have they been applied for and obtained?)
- **Resources** (What resources will be required? (eg facilities, funding, travel) and what is their source/availability)
- **Potential problems** (do you foresee any potential problems in relation to your research project? If yes, have alternative plans been formulated?)
- **Revised timeline of research** (briefly give as detailed a timeline as possible for the research and thesis writing, with view to completion in 3 to 4 years).
- **References**

**Signatures required:**

Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Main Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if the proposal is to be treated confidentially (tick). Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Supervisor/s \_\_\_\_\_

(Advisors need not sign)

SBS Graduate Committee \_\_\_\_\_