



Template for revised project description for PhD candidates at VID

Scope:

Maximum 3500 words (references, tables and all other text included).

Title:

which precisely indicates the focus of the project

1. Introduction

Theme and background for the project, own motivation, societal relevance, etc.

2. Previous research/contribution to the field

What is the most important research in the field, and how does the project position itself in relation to this? What is the project's contribution to existing research?

3. Research questions

Overall research questions and subsidiary research questions

4. Theoretical perspectives

Which theoretical perspectives are to be used in the project?

5. Method(s)

How will the material be established? What analytical methods will be used?

6. Research ethics assessments

Which approvals are needed? (when relevant, explain the need for filling in the notification form of Norwegian centre for research data (NSD), Regionale komiteer for medisinsk og helsefaglig forskning (REK), other bodies)

7. Relevance to the PhD program

Possible relevance for the call

8. Thesis type

Will the thesis be article based or written as a monograph? For article-based theses, when will the different parts of the project be published? In which journals?

9. Progress plan (including stay abroad)

The progress plan must be detailed and realistic

10. References

This template is to be used by everyone who applies for admission to the PhD programs at VID.

Within three months after admission to the PhD program, a revised project plan must be sent to the director of the centre.

The project plan should be revised in collaboration with the main supervisor and with a special focus on:

- scientific quality
- feasibility
- research ethics

In addition to the revised project plan, the PhD candidate must also submit:

- A written recommendation from the main supervisor
- Risk and vulnerability analysis (in Norwegian: ROS-analyse)
- When relevant, approvals from NSD, REK, other bodies, or a plan for such approvals
- When relevant, a Data Management Plan (DMP)
<https://www.vid.no/en/research/research-support/research-data-management/data-management-plan>