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Guidelines for MPhil Thesis Writing

## Introduction

* 1. Overview of the chapter
	2. Purpose of the study
	3. Implications of the study
	4. Objectives of the study
	5. Statement of the Problem
	6. Research questions/hypotheses
	7. Summary
	8. Outline of the study

## Literature Review

* 1. Overview of the chapter

**Note:** The division of sections in this chapter is usually based on purpose and theoretical account to research questions. The purpose of this chapter is to:

1. provide reasonable coverage to the subject matter,
2. explain succinctly the key findings of the study and also indicate the potential or actual significance of the study within a national and international framework, and
3. lay a foundation for the current research.
	1. Summary

## Research Methodology

* 1. Overview of the chapter
	2. Theoretical Underpinnings
	3. Data Collection
		1. Sample and Demographics
		2. Nature of the data
		3. Ethical considerations
	4. Data Analysis
		1. Techniques

## Data Analysis

* 1. Overview of the chapter

**Note:** Sections in this chapter may draw on the following points.

1. Presentation of Data
2. Implementation of Data Analysis Techniques
3. Implementation of Software
4. Results & Discussion
	1. Summary

## Conclusion

* 1. Key findings
	2. Contribution of the study
	3. Delimitations/Limitations of the study
	4. Direction for future research

**References**

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