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| Ritsumeikan APU Graduate SchoolResearch Proposal (GSAM) *(AY2014 Curriculum)*  |

All students must submit a research proposal by the deadlines below. The submitted research proposals will be examined by professors within your Division. Attach this form to the research proposal. Submissions should be typed, not handwritten.

 Submission Period: [ ]  1year completion: 1st semester [ ]  1.5 & 2 years completion: 2nd semester

 Submission Deadline [ ]  Spring Semester: the last working day on or before June 30

 [ ]  Fall Semester: the last working day on or before January 10

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| **Student Name:****(as shown on ID)** |  | **Length of Study:** | year(s) |
| **Supervisor Name:** |  |
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| **Title** |  |

**Major & Division / Program: [GSAM]**

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| [ ]  APS | [ ]  International Relations (IR)[ ]  Society and Culture (SC) |  |
| [ ]  ICP | [ ]  International Public Administration (IPA) [ ]  Sustainability Science (SS)[ ]  Tourism and Hospitality (TH)[ ]  Development Economics (DE) | [ ]  IMAT |

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| I am planning to write (choose one)  | [ ]  Master’s Thesis | [ ]  Research Report |

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| The research proposal should be attached to this form. It should be approximately 1500 to 3000 words long and preferably **should** include the following elements: 1. Title
2. Research background
3. Research question(s)
4. Significance of the study
5. Literature review
6. Methodology
7. Reference
8. Research schedule *(It is highly recommended that you prepare an outline of your plan and schedule towards the completion of Master’s Thesis / Research Report)*

*You may also include other elements such as:* 1. *Objectives of the research*
2. *Hypotheses*
3. *Research structure*
4. *Population*
5. *Data collection*
6. *Data analysis*
7. *Data sources and validity*
8. *Limitation*
9. *Analytical framework*
10. *etc.*
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