GUIDELINES / Synopsis / PPT presentation

Ph.D. synopsis presentations are a crucial component of the doctoral process. During these presentations, scholars outline their research, providing an overview of their study, methodology, and contributions to their research field. This presentation allows the Doctoral Committee to assess the contribution, originality, and scholarly merit of the proposed research. Furthermore, the synopsis presentation serves as an opportunity for scholars to receive constructive feedback from guide and Doctoral Committee members. Thus, these presentations are not only a formal requirement but also a vital step in the development of a rigorous and impactful doctoral research project. The guidelines can vary between presentations, but generally, the following are common standards:

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Title Title of the research, name, Guide's name, and department.	1
Introduction Background of the study, Importance of the research area	4
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Methodology Research design, Data collection methods, Analytical techniques	4
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A Ph.D. synopsis presentation should typically last 15 to 20 minutes, followed by a Q&A session of around 10-15 minutes. To deliver an effective presentation, keep your slides clear, concise, and uncluttered. Use visual aids like diagrams, charts, and images to improve comprehension. Rehearse multiple times to ensure you stay within the time limit. Engage with the Doctoral Committee (DC) by maintaining eye contact and confidently answering questions. Before the presentation, back up your slides on a USB drive and in the cloud, and confirm compatibility with your presentation software, such as PowerPoint or LaTeX Beamer. Lastly, check that the venue has all necessary equipment, like a projector, pointer, and microphone, to ensure a seamless presentation.