**Thesis Proposal[[1]](#footnote-1)**

**Instructions**: Please complete all sections below and attach it to your MA or MDiv thesis declaration form. Deadline: mid-November, see current academic calendar for specific date.

**Working thesis title**:

**Name**:

1. **Concise statement of the problem or question**:

2. **Purpose, significance, and/or application of the study**:

3. **Methodology (how will you address your problem or question?**):

4. **How your work on this problem or question relates to the work of others**:

5. **Scope (parameters you have set) and limitations of the study (e.g. language skills, lack of sources or resources)**:

6. **Glossary of specialized terms (if applicable)**:

7. **Work plan and resources needed**:

8. **Tentative outline**:

9. **Working bibliography (see Turabian for examples of style)**:

1. Adapted by Beth Bidlack from Nancy Jean Vyhmeister and Terry Dwain Robertson, *Your Guide to Writing Quality Research Papers for Students of Religion and Theology*, 3rd ed. (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2014), 122-23. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)