Application for Thesis Option

# Research Background

Have you conducted or been involved in research before? If so, how/when/where? If not, let us know. If admitted to our program, you will get all the support you need to develop sufficient research skills, so it is helpful to know your current level of experience.

# Research Area of Interest

If admitted to the program, what kind of topics in the field of restorative practices would you like to explore (or explore further)? This application is not a research proposal, so you don’t need to provide formal research questions or a hypothesis, nor draw a clear-cut research problem. This will all be done once you’re admitted to the program. All we want from you in this section is information about what kind of research topic(s) interest you at the moment and that you’ll possibly want to explore in your research project once admitted to the program. This helps us to confirm if we have enough expertise in your area of interest to support you in the process of completing a thesis that will contribute to the advancement of knowledge.

# Brief Literature Review

In this section, we want to find out what you’ve already read about in your area of research interest and what kind of reflections you’ve drawn from these preliminary readings. This helps us to assess our own expertise and aptitude to support you and also gives us a sense of your writing skills.

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