**A model for a project proposal**

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<td>The topic, what you hope to accomplish, how it will contribute to knowledge</td>
<td>The scholarly context of this research. What has been done? Who are the important scholars? What articles and books touch on this topic or provide methodological models? What are the merits or failings of these (an item might be out-of-date, cover only one aspect, be unreliable, etc., or it might have a great bibliography, or provide a method or terminology you’d like to use). If there is limited literature, discuss why. This must be thorough, critical, and up-to-date.</td>
<td>Primary sources: what kinds of things are there, where they are, how will you access them? What problems do you foresee?</td>
<td>How you’ll carry out the investigation: techniques you’ll use (analytical, historical); skills you’ll need; survey instruments or interview questions, if you’re using them. If your project is analytical or involves editing or transcription, include a sample.</td>
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1–3 paragraphs  
Usually 3–10 pages  
Several pages, maybe a table or list  
5–10 pages  
1–6 pages, possibly more

**Plus:**  
Proposed Table of Contents  
Time line  
IRB permission, if needed

The number of pages varied according to the project, but it will probably be not less than 15–20.