



Timeline

Stages	Chapters
1. List interests/research preferences	3, 4, 5
2. Generate ideas	6, 7
3. Shortlist possible hypotheses/research questions	10, 11, 12
4. Literature search	9, 10
5. Investigate research methods/data collection/analysis	17-22
6. Decide on topic	11
7. Decide on type of investigation/research methods/instruments/techniques	12
8. Write this up explaining why you chose them	12
9. Writing the research proposal	12
10. Plan timetable/deadlines/stocktaking	13
11. Organise retrieval system	14, 15, 16
12. Plan 1 st dissertation outline	23
13. Begin writing 1 st draft: literature review/introduction/research methods	23, 24, 31, 32, 33
14. Gather evidence/data	17-22
15. Sort/analyse results	24, 25-31
16. Write up results – sort out graphs/charts etc.	24
17. Plan main chapters	23
18. 1 st draft: write main chapters – introductions/paragraphs/conclusions	24-34
19. Put 1 st draft together – check sequence – coordinate introduction/conclusion/literature reviews	22-24, 32-25
20. Revise structure	36
21. Revise content	37
22. Reference list/bibliography	35
23. Final presentation: check – contents/acknowledgements/title/tables/pagination	36