

# The Science Shop

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## Tips for writing a project outline

The Science Shop will use your text as a basis for approaching relevant partner institutions. The project outline should be 600-800 words long, and must answer the following three questions:

### **1. Which partner institution and project have you selected for collaboration?**

Some partner institutions have several projects in The Science Shop's project catalogue, and it is important that your project outline clearly identifies the partner institution concerned and the project that has caught your interest.

### **2. What is your chosen topic, and why have you chosen it?**

Present the topic and relevant research problems. You do not need to have a fully developed research problem, but you should outline some relevant questions or hypotheses that indicate the approach/perspective you have chosen for your thesis. You should also describe the reasons why you find this topic interesting. The reasons can be purely academic and/or linked to previous experiences or desires regarding a future career.

### **3. How do you plan to proceed?**

How much time do you plan to spend on the thesis? Will you undertake a literature study or do you intend to collect your own data material? Which relevant theories and/or literature have you identified? What kind of methodological approach do you intend to use: qualitative or quantitative? Do you intend to use a specific method of analysis?

Remember to include references in the text to what you have identified as relevant theories, literature and sources, and preferably add a list of references at the end.