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APPLICATIONPROCESS:

Submissions should be submitted in electronic form using MS Word, and should not exceed 20-pages of double-- spaced text in 10-12 size font (excluding cover page, references, and appendices). Applicants should use the following outline in preparing submissions:

1. **Cover Sheet** that includes:
 - a. Author's Name
 - b. Dissertation Advisor
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 - e. Author Phone Numbers
 - f. Author's E-Mail
 - g. Degree Completion Date
2. **Summary of Dissertation Research** (not to exceed 20 pages), which includes the following information:
 - a. Background of Study
 - b. Problem Statement

- c. Significance of Study
 - d. Research Questions
 - e. Methodology
 - f. Findings
 - g. Conclusions
- 3. References**
- 4. Appendices**

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