NPL MA
Capstone Project Proposal

Applications should be completed at least three weeks before the beginning of the semester of instruction.

Name(Last, First, Middle)	ID No.	Phone	Date
Local Address		Email	
City, State, Zip		Anticipated Graduation:	
Title of Project:			

- Graduate students are responsible for reviewing and completing all necessary procedures by the date specified. Failure to do so may postpone graduation.
- An approved proposal must be on file before students register for NPL 595

Students may choose to do either a Thesis or Project for their capstone.
Please attach a detailed description of your capstone thesis or project proposal. The following sections should be included in the document:

I. Thesis Proposal:
    Research Question: Clearly outline the research question you will be addressing.

    Project Partners: Who are the project partners? Is this a team project? If yes, who is on the team and what expertise does each person bring? Is the project being done for a specific organization? If so, please identify the organization, the unit in the organization you will be working with, and your organization contacts.

    Project Design: Provide a detailed plan for the project, including a timeline for completion.

    Resources: List the resources required, including bibliographical, technological, space-related, and equipment-related.

    Methodology: Provide a detailed description of the methodology to be employed in the research.

    Literature Review: Provide a detailed literature review that identifies prior knowledge, existing gaps, and how your research addresses the gaps.

    Bibliography: Provide a working bibliography for your project.

II. Project Proposal:

    Project Purpose: State exactly what the project is designed to do – what is the project deliverable and what needs/interests will it meet?

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Literature Review: Provide a detailed literature review, addressing projects that have been undertaken by others with similar purposes, and providing appropriate research to support your choice of strategy and method.

Bibliography: Provide a working bibliography for your project.

Name	Signature	Date
(Supervising Faculty Member)	(Supervising Faculty Member)	
Second Reviewer of Proposal (For a capstone project, project partners should review and approve the proposal)	(Second Reviewer)	
(Director of Graduate Program)	(Graduate Program Director)	