THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG Faculty of Education

Doctor of Education (EdD)

EdD Statement of Proposed Area of Professional Inquiry

Notes:

- 1. These guidelines serve only as a suggested framework of a Statement of Proposed Area of Professional Inquiry. Applicants may, at their discretion, use other formats or add more section(s) to the statement.
- 2. The length of a Statement of Proposed Area of Professional Inquiry should be between 2,500 and 4,000 words (10 to 15 pages, 12-point font size) excluding references. Each page should be double-spaced.

Applicant's Name:

Proposed Area of Research:

(Please refer to the Faculty's research areas and provide the subject area in which you propose to work. A list of the research areas is available at "Programme Information" on the online application system.)

Proposed Title of Research:

Background of the Study (Suggested length: 1 page):

(Please write a one-page summary that describes the following: aims and objectives; research questions or issues to be investigated; the research approach to be used; and the expected outcomes and their theoretical and practical significance.)

Relevant Literature and Guiding Framework (Suggested length: 3 to 5 pages):

(Please highlight some key ideas from the literature relevant to your research, use them to develop a brief formulation of the framework for your professional inquiry, and give reasons for using this framework.)

Methodology (Suggested length: 3 to 6 pages):

(Please describe your particular research approach and how it addresses your questions. Indicate your proposed research context and where appropriate, such matters as key participants, methods of data collection, approaches of argument, data analysis and interpretation.)

Potential Significance of Proposed Research and Possible Outcomes (Suggested length: 1 page): (Please indicate the expected outcomes of your research and their significance (theoretical and practical)).

References:

Declaration (Please tick the boxes below as appropriate):

- (i) I declare that my submitted research proposal is all my original work; or
 - I have discussed my research proposal with the following person(s) and I indicate below the nature and extent of their contribution:

(ii) I declare that the contents of this research proposal, in whole or in part, have not been published and have not been submitted to any institution before; or

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