**Dissertation workshop 2: developing a topic and research question.**

|  |
| --- |
| 1. In no more than 3-4 sentences, explain the issue/topic/problem you are thinking about exploring in your dissertation:
 |
| 1. Summarise how you intend to narrow this topic down (e.g., by reading, and by finding ways of limiting the scope, e.g., by looking at a specific context).
 |
| 1. By reading **at least** two academic articles on your topic of choice, try to summarise what the key issues relating to your issue/topic/problem are. To produce this summary it might help to work through the following questions:
	1. How is the issue/topic/problem described in the two sources?
	2. What theories are used to understand and explore your issue/topic/ problem?
	3. What are the key debates in the literature?
	4. What methodologies and methods are used by researchers who have addressed your research issue/topic/ problem?
 |
| 1. Are there any gaps or debates that you think you could address in your dissertation research?
 |
| 1. What is your proposed research aim and question?
 |