

CONFIRMATION

Oral Presentation

A 20 minute presentation at the Confirmation seminar, describing the aims and scope of the research proposal. The presentation should include 1. Overview of research undertaken; 2. Problem description; 3. Research objectives; 4. Literature review; 5. Research plan and methodology; 6. Proposed timeline.

Oral presentation is open to academia and public, followed by a panel member interview.

Submission of written report (between 6000 to 8000 words), to include:

- Title of research report/thesis
- Brief introduction (containing the following):
 - Review of relevant literature, research and theory
 - Research aims and objectives
- Methodology
- Timeline of thesis completion and statement of progress to date, including a list of proposed papers (consist of research paper titles, short abstract and journals)
- Evidence of progress towards completing the graduate research professional development activities
- List of references.

Students must submit their written work to the panel via the milestone dashboard **one week** prior to Confirmation.

Note: students intending to prepare and submit a thesis including published works should include demonstration of, and a statement of progress towards such publications in the written submission.

PROGRESS REVIEW

Oral Presentation

A 20 minute presentation at the Progress Review seminar, describing the project state in detail.

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Submission of written report

The report should show a significant body of work that documents the progress of the research to date, and includes the following:

- Brief overview of research proposal, including a description of the problem, relevance and methods
- Proposed thesis structure (chapter by chapter outline)
- Detailed statement of progress, including preliminary findings and contribution to knowledge (this may be a draft chapter, journal article etc.)
- A description and explanation of how any suggestions or recommendations made by the Confirmation Review Panel have been addressed
- Disclose any perceived difficulties (current or future) which could impede the completion of the project, and suggestions to overcome these difficulties
- Detailed timeline for completion
- Any evidence of research output(s) (i.e. any manuscripts in preparation, submitted or accepted)
- Evidence of progress towards completing the compulsory training activities as part of the Monash Doctoral Program.

The progress report should not exceed 35 pages. Students must submit their written work to the panel via the milestone dashboard **one week** prior to Progress Review.

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FINAL REVIEW

Oral Presentation

A 20 minute presentation at the Final Review seminar, describing in detail the current state of research project, path to completion, and research contribution to knowledge.

Oral presentation is open to academia and public, followed by a panel member interview.

Submission of written report to include:

- Draft of the thesis introduction (up to 3,000 words)
- Table of contents
- Final or near-final chapter of thesis demonstrating significant research (not to exceed 10,000 words)
- Detailed timeline for completion
- Evidence of completion of the Monash Doctoral Program
- Evidence of research output(s) (i.e. any manuscripts in preparation, submitted or accepted).

Students must submit their written work to the panel via the milestone dashboard **one week** prior to Final Review

Note: students intending to prepare and submit a thesis including published works should include demonstration of, and a statement of progress towards such publications in the written submission.