

Faculty of Information Technology
EXAMINER'S REPORT ON Masters by Research* THESIS

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*Masters by Research degrees refer to

Master of Information Technology by Research; or
 Master of Information Management & Systems by Research; or
 Master of Business Systems by Research

NAME OF CANDIDATE:

TITLE OF THESIS:

EXAMINER:

INSTITUTION:

Section 1 – After examination of the above mentioned thesis I report that in my opinion:	Please tick one box for each	
	Yes	No
(i) the thesis makes a contribution to knowledge and understanding in the field of study concerned		
(ii) the thesis demonstrates a thorough understanding of the subject matter with which it deals		
(iii) the thesis demonstrates the candidates ability to carry out research in the field concerned		
(iv) the thesis indicates that the student has sufficient aptitude and research ability to undertake further postgraduate research study		
(v) the format and literary presentation of the thesis are satisfactory		

Section 2 – I recommend <i>These recommendations refer to the revised thesis.</i> Please refer to grading guidelines for the detailed explanation of the marks and grades :	Tick one box only
<p>Pass – no modifications</p> <p>(i) The candidate be awarded the degree of Masters By Research without further modification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>There should be no major omissions in the content of the thesis. It must show that the student has a sound understanding and the ability to critically evaluate the topic area and the research method employed.</i> <p>Recommended numerical result _____</p> <p>H1 (80–100%) or H2A (70–79%)</p>	
<p>Pass – minor amendments to principle supervisor and Head of School</p> <p>(ii) The candidate be awarded the degree without further examination subject to insertion in the thesis of amendments noted in the enclosed list to the satisfaction of the principle supervisor and Head of School.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>There should be no significant omissions in the content of the thesis. It must show that the student has a good overall understanding of the topic area and the research method.</i> • <i>This recommendation should be made only when the examiner can specify clear instructions on the minor amendments to be undertaken. No further research is required.</i> <p>Recommended numerical result _____</p> <p>H1 (80–100%) or H2A (70–79%)</p>	
<p>Pass – major amendments to examiner</p> <p>(iii) The candidate be awarded the degree without further examination subject to insertion in the thesis of amendments noted in the enclosed list to my satisfaction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The thesis must show that the student has a good overall understanding of the topic area and the research method, but some minor gaps are acceptable.</i> • <i>This recommendation should be made only when the examiner can specify clear instructions on the major amendments to be undertaken. The revisions could include extensive reformatting of the written presentation, additional analysis and interpretation of results. No further research is required.</i> <p>Recommended numerical result _____</p> <p>H2A (70–79%) or H2B (60-69%)</p>	
<p>Pass – Revisions</p> <p>(iv) The candidate be awarded the degree subject to satisfying me regarding the specified revisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The thesis should at least cover the major components of the research project, ie literature review, research design, data collection and analysis of the results, at a reasonable level but may be weak in several areas</i> • <i>This recommendation should be made only when the examiner can specify what revisions should be made. Some additional research may be necessary to address these requirements.</i> • <i>Re-enrolment is not required in recommendations (i) to (iv), however, may be considered under this or the following options</i> <p>Recommended numerical result _____</p> <p>H2B (60-69%) or H3 (50-59%)</p>	

<p>Revision and resubmission</p> <p>(v) The candidate not yet be awarded the degree but be permitted to resubmit the thesis in a revised form</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>This recommendation means that the candidate must re-enroll for a period of up to 12 months. The revised thesis will be considered to be a new thesis and will require re-examination.</i> • <i>The revisions could range from extensive reformatting of the written presentation to conducting further research, analysis and interpretation of results.</i> <p>Numerical result is deferred until revised thesis is re-examined.</p> <p>The resubmitted thesis would normally be assessed as H2B (60-69%), H3 (50-59%) or Fail (0-49%) only.</p> <p><i>If new examiners are appointed for the revised thesis the Faculty will notify them that these are the only possible results for the second attempt.</i></p>	
<p>Fail (0-49%)</p> <p>(vi) The candidate not be awarded the degree of Masters by Research</p>	

Section 3	Tick one box only
If the candidate is permitted to resubmit the thesis, I am prepared to act as examiner of the revised thesis.	
If the candidate is permitted to resubmit the thesis, I am NOT prepared to act as examiner of the revised thesis.	

Section 4 – Grounds for this recommendation

Please attach a detailed written report stating concisely the grounds on which the recommendations are based. Whether your report is favourable or unfavourable, please provide detailed comments on the strengths and weaknesses of the thesis. This is especially important where the two examiners reports differ significantly in their assessment of the thesis and it becomes necessary for an advisory panel to recommend further appropriate action. If you recommend revision and resubmission, please provide the candidate with a clear program for undertaking their revisions.

Signature of examiner

Date / /