

Research Degree Examination Independent Preliminary Report

Candidates for the degree of PhD/IPhD/EdD/MD

Name of Candidate	-
Title of Thesis	
Name and Address of	
External Examiner	
Name of Internal Examiner	Name of Independent Chair (if required)
Date of Oral Examination	

Notes for Examiners

This report should be prepared independently of the other Examiner, <u>two weeks</u> before the oral examination takes place. This is particularly important if you wish the Dean of Postgraduate Studies to be aware of any substantive issues.

The report should contain brief, general preliminary thoughts and should not make any final recommendations about the outcome of the examination.

You should then bring a copy of this completed report to the oral examination and discuss the contents with the other Examiner before seeing the candidate. This discussion will enable the Examiners to plan the structure of the oral examination and ensure that all relevant issues are addressed appropriately.

The preliminary reports should not be shown to the candidate or the candidate's supervisory team in advance of the oral examination but the Examiners should be aware that preliminary reports will be made available to candidates after the oral examination if they request them under the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998.

1. Subject matter of the thesis. (A brief independent report on the thesis with comments on the				
following areas: organisation; structure; presentation; authenticity; content; publishable quality				
and critical awareness of subject)				

2. Areas for discussion in the oral examination. (To include any areas of concern for investigation during the viva.)				
Signature of Internal/External		Date:		
Examiner:				
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