

Name of Candidate			
Title of Thesis			
Name and Address of 1st External Examiner			
Name and Address of 2nd External Examiner			
Date of Oral Examination (if required)		Name of Independent Chair (if required)	

Notes for Examiners

1. This report should be prepared independently of the other examiner, two weeks before the oral examination takes place (where appropriate). This is particularly important if you wish the Dean of Postgraduate Studies to be aware of any substantive issues.
2. If an oral examination is required, the Examiners should bring a copy of this completed report to the oral examination and discuss the contents with each other 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.
3. If a recommendation is other than to admit the candidate to the degree of Master of Philosophy, with or without minor corrections, an oral examination must be held. *The examiners may not fail a candidate or recommend that the thesis be resubmitted without holding an oral examination.*
4. In all cases where no oral examination is required, but a candidate is required to make minor corrections to a thesis, it shall be the responsibility of the examiners to provide details of the corrections and/or revisions required of the thesis. The examiners should attach a copy of this statement to this report which shall be forwarded to the candidate and the candidate's supervisor by the Graduate School Administrator.
5. Where the examiners cannot agree upon a recommendation, then each examiner should indicate which recommendation s/he supports by initialling clearly in the box provided.
6. 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.

Will an oral examination of this candidate be required? YES NO

If no oral examination is required, please indicate your independent recommendation below.
(You will also be required to complete a Joint Report confirming the recommendation of both Examiners.)

SECTION A - RECOMMENDATIONS (tick the relevant box to indicate overall recommendation)
The Candidate be admitted to the degree

<input type="checkbox"/>	(a)(i)	That the candidate be admitted immediately to the degree of Master of Philosophy.
<input type="checkbox"/>	(a)(ii)	That the candidate be admitted to the degree of Master of Philosophy subject to minor corrections of the text made to the satisfaction of the internal examiner, normally within a period of one month of receiving formal notification of the corrections to be made.
<input type="checkbox"/>	(a)(iii)	That the candidate be admitted to the degree of Master of Philosophy subject to minor revisions being made to the satisfaction of the internal examiner, normally within a period of six months of receiving formal notification of the revisions to be made.

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. (if required.)

Signature of External Examiner:

Date:

Initials of Dean of Postgraduate
Studies

Date:

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE ORAL EXAMINATION (if required) TO EITHER:

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