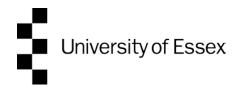


History Department: Standard Milestones for PhD Students – 2018-2019 entry

| Milestones | Criteria for progress | Deliverables | Deadline |
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| M1: Confirmation and Progress to Year 2 (or equivalent for part-time students) | A: Assess training needs and knowledge required to undertake research project and complete the thesis. | Training Needs Analysis to be completed. Attend Proficio courses and plan for further courses to attend, as appropriate. | Term 1 for full-time students; Term 2 for part-time students By end of Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students |
| | B: Choose research topic and demonstrate significance/impact of research. | Research Project Proposal (4000 words), including (dependent on subject area): Write central research problem/questions to be answered. Methodological considerations. Feasibility Report — identifying sources, access and ethical considerations Create project plan, outlining objectives for each stage. | By Confirmation Panel and RSPB (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students) |
| | C: Demonstrate understanding of chosen topic within the context of the field. | Critical Literature Review to acceptable standard (7000 words) Elaborate research questions to be answered in the thesis to acceptable standard | By Confirmation Panel and RSPB (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students) |
| | D: Demonstrate the ability to produce work of the quality and quantity in order to complete within the three year standard PhD (six years for part-time students). | Evidence that academic writing is of standard and ability expected at PhD level, including adequate referencing and language skills. | By Confirmation Panel and RSPB (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students) |



| | E: Demonstration of effective project management through the setting of research goals and prioritisation of activities. | Create a detailed, realistic plan of work/ timetable for Year 2. Produce supervisory board reports written in a clear and self-reflective style | By Confirmation Board and RSPB (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students) |
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| M2: Progress from Year 2 to Year 3 (or equivalent for part-time students) | A: Review training needs and knowledge required to continue with research project and complete the thesis. | Training Needs Analysis to be reviewed. Attend Proficio courses and plan for further courses to attend, as appropriate. | Term 4 for full-time students; Term 8 for part-time students By end of Term 6 for full-time students; Term 12 for part-time students |
| | B: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected at the end of Year 2 | Produce a minimum of 2 draft chapters/ papers Report on research undertaken to date | By end of year Supervisory Panel and RSPB (Term 6 for full- time students; Term 12 for part-time students) |
| | C: Review significance and impact of research and articulate output. | For example: Deliver workshop Present research to students and staff at seminars or conferences | By end of year Supervisory Panel and RSPB (Term 6 for full- time students; Term 12 for part-time students) |
| | D: Demonstration of effective project management through the setting of research goals and prioritisation of activities. | Create a detailed, realistic plan of work/ timetable for Year 3, which demonstrates the ability to submit within the three year standard PhD period (six years for parttime students). Produce supervisory board reports written in a clear and self-reflective style | By end of year Supervisory Panel and RSPB (Term 6 for full- time students; Term 12 for part-time students) |
| M3: Year 3 (or equivalent for part-time students) to Completion Year | A: Ability to reflect on skills and knowledge development and its application to the research project. | Training Needs Analysis reviewed | By the Term 7 progress board for full-time students; Term 15 for part-time students |
| | B: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected when nearing | Research completed (experimental, empirical and | By the Term 7 progress board for full-time students; Term 15 for |



| | submission (or equivalent for part-time students). | • | theoretical work, where relevant) Produce sufficient draft chapters/ papers. | part-time students |
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| | C: Clear evidence of progress towards submission. | • | Completed final draft of thesis for supervisor(s)/ supervisory panel comment. | By interim Supervisory panel and RSPB prior to submission/Term 7/8 for full-time students; Term 15 - 16 for part-time students). |
| If required: M4: During Completion Year | A: Clear plan to submission. | • | Clear plan to submission. Submission date agreed. | Timeline agreed by Supervisory Panel and RSPB. |