



Department of Psychology Milestone for MPhil Students – 2018-2019 Entry

Milestones	Criteria for progress	Deliverables	Deadline
M1: 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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Training Needs Analysis to be completed. ▪ Attend Proficio courses and plan for further courses to attend, as appropriate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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/narrow down the research topic and demonstrate significance/impact of research.	Submit 10,000 word report or equivalent including, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Central research problem/questions to be answered. ▪ Methodological considerations. ▪ Feasibility Report – identifying sources, access and ethical considerations ▪ Project plan, outlining objectives for each stage. 	By first Supervisory Panel. Term 1 for full-time students and Term 2/3 for part-time students.
	C: Demonstration of effective project management through the setting of research goals and prioritisation of activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create a detailed, realistic plan of work/ timetable for Year 2. ▪ Produce Supervisory Panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style ▪ Commence and continue data collection 	By end of 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 an MPhil within the 2 year standard period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evidence that academic writing is of standard and ability expected at MPhil level, including adequate referencing and language skills 	By end of Term 3 for full-time students, Term 6 for part-time students
	E: Demonstration of presentation skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Present at PGR conference in May ▪ Take up opportunities to present at academic conferences, where possible 	Term 3 for full-time students, Term 6 for part-time students.

M2: During Year 2 (or equivalent for part-time students)	A: Review training needs and knowledge required to continue with research project and complete the thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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 6 for part-time students
	B: Demonstration of effective project management through the setting of research goals and prioritisation of activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create a detailed realistic completion plan ▪ Produce Supervisory Panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style 	By Supervisory Panel (Term 4 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)
	C: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected for an MPhil at the end of Year 2 (or equivalent for part-time students)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete data collection and analyse data ▪ Submit first complete version of thesis to supervisor ▪ Produce Supervisory Panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style ▪ 	By Supervisory Panel (Term 4 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed final draft of thesis for supervisor(s)/supervisory panel comment 	By end of year Supervisory Panel (Term 6 for full-time students; Term 12 for part-time students)
	D: Demonstration of presentation skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Present at PGR conference in May ▪ Take up opportunities to present at academic conferences, where possible 	Term 6 for full-time students, Term 12 for part-time students
M3: Completion period (if needed)	A: Clear plan to submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Timeline of work needing to take place before submission ▪ Submission date agreed 	Timeline agreed by Supervisory Panel

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