

School of Health & Social Care
Standard Milestones for Part-Time Professional Doctorate in Health & Social Care
Students 2019 – 2020

Milestones	Criteria for Progress	Deliverables	Deadline
M1: Progress to Year 2	A: Assess training needs and knowledge required to undertake programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training Needs Analysis to be completed. • Review Proficio courses. 	Term 1
	B: Choose/narrow down the research topic	Research Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write central research problem/questions to be answered. • Identify interest, sources and access to data and ethical considerations • Explore potential methodological approaches to topic. 	Term 3 - By Supervisory Panel
	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 1000 word supervisory panel report written in a clear and self- reflective style 	Term 3
	D: Subject-specific milestones	Professional Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance at bi-termly taught sessions • Successfully complete HS995 Research preparation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance at bi-termly taught sessions • Successfully complete HS945 Present poster at HSC Annual Staff- Student Research Conference.	Term 6



Milestones	Criteria for Progress	Deliverables	Deadline
M2: Progress from Year 2 to Year 3	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 6
	B: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected at the end of Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a detailed, realistic plan of work/ timetable for Year 3. • Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style 	Term 6 - by Supervisory Panel
	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 3. • Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style 	Term 6 - by Supervisory Panel
	D: Subject-specific milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present poster at the HSC Annual Staff- Student Research Conference • Complete all taught modules 	Term 6
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M3: During Year 3	A: Ability to reflect on skills and knowledge development and its application to the research project	Training Needs Analysis reviewed	Term 9 – by Supervisory Panel
	B: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected at the end of Year 3 (or equivalent for part-time students)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Produce 3000 word supervisory panel report • Evidence of written work of doctoral level 	Term 9 – by Supervisory Panel
	C: Demonstrate clear evidence of progress towards submission	Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style	Term 9 – by Supervisory Panel
	D: Subject-specific milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure of thesis determined • Ethical approval attained • Present thesis research at the HSC Conference 	Term 9



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M4-5	A: Ability to reflect on skills and knowledge development and its application to the research project	<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 12 AND Term 15
	B: Demonstrate work of satisfactory quality and quantity	Produce 3000 word supervisory panel report written in a clear and self- reflective style	Term 12 AND Term 15
	C: Demonstrate clear evidence of progress towards submission	Present research to students and staff at seminars/conference	Term 12 AND Term 15
	D: Subject-specific milestones	Clearly articulated structure for completed thesis	Term 12 AND Term 15
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M6	A: Ability to reflect on skills and knowledge development and its application to the research project	Training Needs Analysis reviewed	Term 18
	B: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected at the end of Year 6	Research completed	Term 18
	C: Demonstrate clear evidence of progress towards submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed final draft of thesis for supervisor(s)/ supervisory panel comment • Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self- reflective style 	Term 18
	D: Subject-specific milestones	Present thesis research at the HSC Conference	Term 18
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M7: During Completion Period	A: Clear evidence of progress towards submission	Timeline of work needing to take place before submission	Timeline agreed by Supervisory panel.