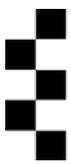


Faculty of Science and Health
Department of Life Sciences Milestones for MSD Students - 2021-22 Entry

Milestones	Criteria for progress	Deliverables	Deadline
CCM1: During year 1	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
	A1: Assess Health and Safety and ethics	Consider Health and Safety and ethics of project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term 1 for full-time students; Term 2 for part-time students;
	B: Clarify research topic and demonstrate an understanding of topic and relevance to wider research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A brief description of the research topic • Present the aims and hypotheses of your research project, together with an explanation of your approach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term 1 for full-time students; Term 2 for part-time students;
	C: Knowledge and understanding of the Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5000 to 10000-word Literature Review / Introduction to Thesis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term 2 for full-time students; Term 4 for part-time students
	D: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected at the end of Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5000 to 10000-word Literature Review / Introduction to Thesis (updated from previous submission) • 3000-word Draft Chapter • 10-minute presentation of research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By end of year Supervisory Board (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)
	E: Demonstrate effective project management through the setting of research goals and prioritisation of activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thesis plan, timetable of remaining work and writing up to submission 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term 1 for full-time students; Term 2 for part-time students;
	F: Subject-specific milestones	Poster presentation at Graduate Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By end of year Supervisory Board (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)



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If required: M2: Request to enter Completion Period	A: Clear evidence of progress towards submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed final draft for submission• Timetable of work needed before submission• Submission date agreed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Timeline agreed at Completion Period meeting(s)
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