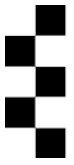
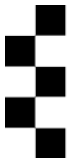


Economics: Standard Milestones for MPhil Students 2017/18

Milestones	Criteria for progress	Deliverables	Deadline
M1: Progress to Year 2	A: Assess training needs and knowledge required to undertake research project and complete the thesis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Choose two economics research training modules out of those offered. Pass (mark of 60 or more) in each of these modules and in the research project proposal. ▪ Identify a suitable supervisor. ▪ Use Moodle to complete Training Needs Analysis form in conjunction with supervisor. ▪ Plan for Proficio or other training courses to attend according to need in conjunction with supervisor. 	By end of Term 3/confirmation board for full-time students
	B: Choose research topic and demonstrate significance/impact of research.	<p>Research Project Proposal, including (dependent on subject area):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Write research project proposal to include background information /questions to be answered. ▪ Methodological considerations. ▪ Objectives for each stage 	By Confirmation Board (Term 3 for full-time students)
	C: Demonstrate understanding of chosen topic within the context of the field.	Attend RSS seminars in Spring and Summer Terms and present their research project proposal to research students and staff in Summer Term RSS	By Confirmation Board (Term 3 for full-time students)
	D: Demonstrate the ability to produce work of the quality and quantity in order to complete an MPhil within the three	Evidence through the research project proposal that academic writing is of standard and ability expected at MPhil	By Confirmation Board (Term 3 for full-time students)



	year maximum period.	level, including adequate referencing and language skills.	
	E: 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 	By end of Term 3/confirmation board for full-time students
M2: Progress from Year 2 to Completion (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 or other courses as previously planned and plan for further courses to attend, as appropriate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Term 4 for full-time students; Term 6? for part-time students ▪ By end of Term 6 for full-time students; Term 10? 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 end of year Supervisory Panel (Term 6 for full-time students; Term 10? 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"> ▪ Produce research work of sufficient quality and quantity for two complete or one complete and one draft chapter (as specified in the supervisory panel report) which is commensurate with the standard required for a MPhil in Economics papers ▪ Present research to students and staff at seminars/conference 	By end of year Supervisory Panel (Term 6 for full-time students; Term 10? for part-time students)
	C: Demonstrate ability to complete within the maximum period.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Produce a realistic completion year plan. ▪ Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style 	By end of year Supervisory Board (Term 6 for full-time students; Term 10? for part-time students)



M3: Completion Year (if needed)	A: Clear evidence of progress towards submission	▪ Completed final draft of thesis for supervisor(s)/ supervisory panel comment	By interim Supervisory Panel prior to submission/Term 2 of completion year (Term 9/10 for full-time students; Term 18/19? for part-time students.
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