

## Faculty of Science and Health SRES Milestones for Masters by Dissertation Students – 2021-22 entry

Milestones	Criteria for progress	Deliverables	Deadline
M1: During year 1	A: Assess training needs and knowledge required to undertake research project and complete the thesis.	<ul> <li>Training Needs         Analysis to be         completed.</li> <li>Attend Proficio         courses and plan for         further courses to         attend, as         appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Term 1 for full-time students; Term 2 for part-time students</li> <li>By end of Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students</li> </ul>
	B: Clarify research topic and demonstrate an understanding of topic and relevance to wider research	Research Project Proposal, 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 first Supervisory Panel and RSPB (Term 1 for full-time students; Term 2/3 for part-time students)
	C: Demonstrate the ability to produce work of the quality and quantity in order to complete a Masters by Dissertation within the standard period.	<ul> <li>Evidence that academic writing is of standard and ability expected at Masters by dissertation level, including adequate referencing and language skills.</li> <li>Write critical literature review</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>By end of year 1 SP and RSPB –(Term 3) for full-time students;</li> <li>By end of year 2 SP and RSPB – (Term 6) for part-time students.</li> </ul>



	D: Demonstrate work of the quality and quantity expected at the end of Year 1  E: Demonstration of effective project management through the setting of research goals and prioritisation of activities.	<ul> <li>Create a detailed, realistic plan of work leading to submission</li> <li>Produce sufficient draft chapters/ papers</li> <li>Report on research undertaken to date</li> <li>Research completed (empirical and theoretical work, where relevant)</li> <li>Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style</li> <li>Create a detailed, realistic completion plan (if required)</li> <li>Produce supervisory panel report written in a clear and self-reflective style</li> <li>Completed final draft of thesis for supervisor(s)/ supervisory panel comment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>By end of year Supervisory Panel (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)</li> <li>By end of year Supervisory Panel (Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)</li> </ul>
	D: Subject-specific milestones	<ul> <li>Poster presentation at SRES conference</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>By end of year</li> <li>Supervisory Panel</li> <li>(Term 3 for full-time students; Term 6 for part-time students)</li> </ul>
Assess whether the planned student research and placer SPs and RSPBs.			
If Required M2: Request to enter Completion Period	A: Clear evidence of progress towards submission	Timeline of work needing to take place before submission	<ul> <li>Timeline agreed by Supervisory panel.</li> </ul>



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