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EXAMINATION OF THESIS POLICY

Purpose/ objectives	To provide a transparent and consistent research thesis examination process.
Scope/ Application	All campuses All doctoral and Masters by research theses
Policy Statement	<p>Research candidates are required to give at least three months notice to submit their thesis for examination.</p> <p>Examiners shall be appointed by the Higher Degrees Committee (Research) upon the recommendations made by the supervisor in consultation with the professor of the discipline or another senior academic through the Head of School.</p> <p>No two examiners shall belong to the same department or equivalent thereof</p> <p>No-one who has been a supervisor or an associate supervisor of the candidate shall be appointed as an examiner.</p> <p>Must be external unless the HDC(R) otherwise determines in exceptional circumstances</p> <p>It is expected that each examiner will have an appropriate qualification, or a substantial record of research.</p>
Supporting Procedures	Handbook for Candidates and Supervisors of Masters by Research and Doctoral Degrees
Responsibility for implementation	Higher Degrees Committee (Research) (HDC(R)) Director Research and Graduate Studies Office Manager Research Scholarships and Candidature
Responsibility for monitoring implementation and compliance	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)
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Key stakeholders	HDC(R) Director Research and Graduate Studies Office Manager Research Scholarships and Candidature
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Definitions	Not applicable
Related legislation	Regulation 21.12 Examinations and Assessment Regulation 21.2 Doctor of Philosophy Regulation 21.3 Professional Doctoral Degrees Regulation 21.5 Masters Degrees by Research
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