

Document detailing how corrections carried out

Background to Proposed changes

Although it is open for examiners of research degree theses to request that a postgraduate researcher submits a document detailing the corrections they have made to the thesis, there is no requirement in the Regulations for postgraduate researchers to do so. A number of examiners have commented that such a document is not only beneficial to the examiners, but also good training for the postgraduate researcher for future work where they may be required to respond to a journal referee's critical comments.

This proposal was put to the Graduate School Management Board and PGR leads asked to consult with their College. Feedback received confirmed that all Colleges endorsed the proposal and requested this to be incorporated into the Regulations for 2011-12.

Revised Regulations

7.4.7 (d) Where a Registered Student is required to make minor or major corrections to the thesis, the examiners shall give written instructions to the Registered Student concerning the corrections or revisions to be made.

7.4.7 (f) Where the Registered Student is required to make minor/major corrections to the thesis the Registered Student shall submit with the corrected thesis a document detailing where the corrections have been made in the thesis.

7.4.7 (e f) Where the Registered Student is required to make minor/major corrections, the Registered Student is permitted **one opportunity to complete the corrections to the satisfaction of the examiners**. The award of the degree is withheld until a 'Certification of Correction' is provided by the internal examiner for minor corrections and by all examiners for major corrections. With the approval of Senate or delegated authority, a request having been made by the examiners, a Registered Student who has made major corrections to their thesis may be permitted one final opportunity to make further minor corrections to such parts of their thesis affected by the major corrections (but no other part). Where the original decision of the examiners was that the Registered student make minor corrections to their thesis, no further minor corrections to the thesis shall be permitted.