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POSTGRADUATE CANDIDATURE CHECKLIST - BY RESEARCH

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1.	Meet/Contact your advisor as stated in the offer letter or Postgraduate Department at the Faculty/Institute to discuss your study plan and programme requirement.					
2.	<p>For INTERNATIONAL STUDENT, you must:</p> <p>a) Register for Malay Language Communication (LPM2100) during the first semester - except those who have been granted an exception and must get M grade;</p> <p>AND</p> <p>b) Register and pass Postgraduate Intensive English (PIE) 2 within the first two (2) consecutive semesters if your English Proficiency Score is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 500-549 for the TOEFL Paper-based Test (Academic Version); or • 61 for TOEFL Internet – based; or • Band 5.5 for IELTS (Academic Training); or • Level 107 and 108 of CIEP at ELS Language Centre; or • Level 108 and 109 of Placement Test result at ELS Language Centre; or • Band 3 (160 - 179) for MUET; or • B2 CEFR equivalent test <p>Note: Students who fail PIE2 after two attempts shall be suspended [Rule 54 (v) b]. His candidacy shall be reinstated only if he passes PIE2 at the third attempt, otherwise his candidacy shall be terminated.</p>					
3.	<p>Register for Doctoral/Master’s Research EVERY semester until your thesis is submitted for examination. Get advice from your supervisor on the number of research credits (3, 6, 9, or 12) that is appropriate for your workload of the semester. You will not be allowed to submit your research progress report (<i>PU/S/BR04/GS-11</i>) at the end of semester if you fail to register for this course every semester.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="172 1928 970 2002"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="172 1928 571 1960">Master by research</th> <th data-bbox="571 1928 970 1960">PhD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="172 1960 571 2002">SPS5999</td> <td data-bbox="571 1960 970 2002">SPS6999</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Master by research	PhD	SPS5999	SPS6999	
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5.	<p>Credit Requirements</p> <p>a) Register for courses as advised by your advisor/supervisor before the 2nd week of semester.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="172 763 967 1211"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Master by research</th> <th colspan="2">PhD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="2">Master students are required to complete 6 credit hours of coursework.</td> <td colspan="2">PhD students are required to complete 9 credit hours of coursework.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coursework</td> <td>No. of Credit</td> <td>Coursework</td> <td>No. of Credit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Research Methodology</td> <td>3</td> <td>Research Methodology</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Elective course</td> <td>3</td> <td>Elective course</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>Elective course</td> <td>3</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>b) Register for Doctoral/Master's Research Proposal Seminar no later than the second semester of your study.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="172 1379 967 1451"> <thead> <tr> <th>Master by research</th> <th>PhD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SPS5903</td> <td>SPS6903</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>c) Consult the advisor/supervisor to ensure that the "status" [Compulsory (YW), Audit (AU) or Elective (ELF)] and series of your registered courses are correct as this may affect your Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="172 1653 967 1890"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Program</th> <th rowspan="2">No. of Credit</th> <th colspan="3">Course Code</th> </tr> <tr> <th>4000 Series</th> <th>5000 Series</th> <th>6000 Series</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>PhD</td> <td>9</td> <td>Audit only</td> <td>Allowed</td> <td>Allowed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Master</td> <td>6</td> <td>Allowed</td> <td>Allowed</td> <td>Not Allowed</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Master by research		PhD		Master students are required to complete 6 credit hours of coursework.		PhD students are required to complete 9 credit hours of coursework.		Coursework	No. of Credit	Coursework	No. of Credit	Research Methodology	3	Research Methodology	3	Elective course	3	Elective course	3			Elective course	3	Master by research	PhD	SPS5903	SPS6903	Program	No. of Credit	Course Code			4000 Series	5000 Series	6000 Series	PhD	9	Audit only	Allowed	Allowed	Master	6	Allowed	Allowed	Not Allowed	
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	<p>the student portal within the first semester of study.</p> <p>Note: The Supervisory Committee should comprise a chairman and at least two other members for PhD student and one other member for Master student.</p>											
7.	<p>Submit your Research Progress Report (GS-11) EVERY semester through your student portal within the stipulated period. Refer to the current Academic Calendar and Important Dates for the timeline and updates.</p> <p>Note: Your study status may be affected if you miss the date for course registration, deferment of semester or any other candidature matters.</p>											
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9.	<p>Sit for the Comprehensive Examination (CE) after completion of required coursework by the 4th semester.</p> <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CE shall consist of both written and oral examination and you are required to pass both examinations. You are not permitted to take the oral examination until you have passed the written examination. 											
10.	<p>All students in degree programmes by research must have published or accepted journal articles based on research conducted during their candidature prior to graduation as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="172 1816 970 2049"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="172 1816 316 1883" rowspan="2">Prog.</th> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="316 1816 970 1848">Min. Publication Requirement</th> </tr> <tr> <th data-bbox="316 1848 544 1883">Without GRF</th> <th data-bbox="544 1848 970 1883">GRF Recipient</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="172 1883 316 2049" rowspan="2">PhD</td> <td data-bbox="316 1883 544 2018">2 journal articles published @ accepted (in CIJ)</td> <td data-bbox="544 1883 970 2018">GRF 2 journal articles published @ accepted (at least 1 in Q1 or Q2 journal)</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="316 2018 544 2049"></td> <td data-bbox="544 2018 970 2049">iGRF 2 journal articles</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Prog.	Min. Publication Requirement		Without GRF	GRF Recipient	PhD	2 journal articles published @ accepted (in CIJ)	GRF 2 journal articles published @ accepted (at least 1 in Q1 or Q2 journal)		iGRF 2 journal articles	
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	<p>Note: A student who has filed for a patent based on research conducted during his candidature may apply in writing to the Dean of School of Graduate Studies for exemption. 1 patent is equivalent to 1 journal article.</p>				
11.	<p>Notice of Thesis Submission (GS-14a)</p> <p>A student must give notice of intention to submit his thesis at least 3 months in advance, accompanied by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table of Contents • Thesis Abstract <p>The requirements for notice of thesis submission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • study status must be 'Continue'; • passed all compulsory courses with a minimum CGPA of 3.00; • appointment of Supervisory Committee; • passed Comprehensive Examination (CE) for PhD programme; and • Settled all outstanding fees. 				
12.	<p>Nomination of Examination Committee (GS-14b)</p> <p>a) Recommendation by the Faculty/Institute b) Review by the JKKPPPTP c) Endorsement by the University Graduate Studies Committee (JKPSU)</p> <p>Members of Examination Committee:</p> <p>a) Chairman b) 2 internal (for PhD)/1 internal (for Master) c) 1 external d) Assistant Chairman</p> <p>The Examination Committee must fulfil the criteria set forth by the University.</p>				
13.	<p>Thesis Submission for Examination (GS-15a)</p> <p>a) Complete GS-15a form online through student portal.</p>				



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	<p>b) Print the form and get endorsement from the Supervisory Committee and the Faculty/Institute.</p> <p>c) Submit the form to SGS, together with 4 copies (for PhD)/3 copies (for Master) and plagiarism report (i.e. Turnitin).</p> <p>The student shall submit the thesis only after appointment of the Examination Committee.</p>	
14.	<p>Thesis Examination Process</p> <p>The thesis shall be examined based on the quality of the study conducted and the thesis presented for evaluation, and defence of the thesis during the viva voce, both of which the student must pass.</p> <p>The examination usually takes place within 3 months after thesis submission.</p>	
15.	<p>Final Examination (Viva Voce)</p> <p>The acceptance of thesis may be categorised as follows:</p> <p>a) Distinction – 15 days b) Minor – 3 months c) Major – 6 months d) Re-Submit – 2 semesters (with GS-15b form) e) Re-Submit as a Masters – 60 days f) Re-Viva – 60 days g) Reject</p>	
16.	<p>Thesis Submission After Viva (GS-16a)</p> <p>Students must submit a GS-16a form within the prescribed time accompanied by:</p> <p>a) 1 soft bound copy of thesis (B5 format) b) List of corrections c) 1 copy of thesis abstract d) GS-17 form (particulars for graduation) e) GS-25 form (information for publication)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must apply for extension in writing to the Dean of SGS through the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee should they require a longer time. • Failure to submit thesis within the prescribed time, will result in termination of student candidature. 	



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17.	<p>Submission of Hard Bound Final Thesis (GS-16b)</p> <p>Upon endorsement by the Senate, the student shall submit the following to the SGS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) 2 hard bound copies of thesis (for Library and Faculty/Institute)b) copies for each member of Supervisory Committeec) 1 CD of a PDF version of final thesis	