

EXAMINATION PROCEDURES FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF EXAMINERS' RECOMMENDATIONS

The tables below describe the outcome and actions to be taken following examiners' recommendations for an initial and resubmission examination. The outcome is determined by the combination of the recommendations of the two examiners. In cases where the examiners are required to consult due to a discrepancy in their recommendations (i.e. one examiner recommends that the candidate be awarded the degree and the other recommends that the candidate not be awarded the degree or has recommended revise and resubmission) the MSGR will arrange for the consultation between examiners to be conducted. The MSGR will also arrange for theses to be sent to examiners who recommend 3b where the revisions need to be reviewed or when the thesis needs to be revised and resubmitted by the candidate and re-examined by all examiners.

Table 1. Initial Examination

Examiner 2 Recommendation	Examiner 1 Recommendation					
	1	2	3a	3b	4	5
1	Pass	Minor Amendments	Revisions to Chair's satisfaction	Revisions to Examiner's satisfaction	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult
2	Minor Amendments	Minor Amendments	Revisions to Chair's satisfaction	Revisions to Examiner's satisfaction	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult
3a	Revisions to Chair's satisfaction	Revisions to Chair's satisfaction	Revisions to Chair's satisfaction	Revisions to Examiner's satisfaction	Resubmission to all Examiners	3 rd Examiner or Consult
3b	Revisions to Examiner's satisfaction	Revisions to Examiner's satisfaction	Revisions to Examiner's satisfaction	Revisions to both Examiners' satisfaction	Resubmission to all Examiners	3 rd Examiner or Consult
4	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult	Resubmission to all Examiners	Resubmission to all Examiners	Resubmission to all Examiners	3 rd Examiner or Consult
5	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult	Fail

Examiner Recommendations

1. Be awarded the degree without further examination or amendment.
2. Be awarded the degree without further examination, subject to inserting in the thesis the minor corrections and/or additions as I have specified and which may be subsequently carried out to the satisfaction of the Chair of Examiners, without further reference to me.
3. Be awarded the degree subject to revising part or parts of the thesis to either (a) the Chair of Examiners, or (b) my satisfaction.
4. Not yet be awarded the degree, but be permitted to resubmit the thesis in a revised form for re-examination.
5. Not be awarded the degree and not be permitted to submit for re-examination.

Table 2. Resubmission Examination

	Examiner 1 Recommendation		
Examiner 2 Recommendation	1	2	3
1	Pass	Minor Amendments	3 rd Examiner or Consult
2	Minor Amendments	Minor Amendments	3 rd Examiner or Consult
3	3 rd Examiner or Consult	3 rd Examiner or Consult	Fail

Examiner Recommendations

1. Be awarded the degree without further examination or amendment.
2. Be awarded the degree without further examination, subject to inserting in the thesis the minor corrections and/or additions as I have specified and which may be subsequently carried out to the satisfaction of the Chair of Examiners, without further reference to me.
3. Not be awarded the degree and not be permitted to submit for re-examination.

NOTES

The MSGR Examinations Office manages the examination processes for all RHD candidates and provides the Chair of Examiners with guidance on the exact procedures regarding these outcomes. When a final outcome has been reached and following receipt of confirmation of the outcome from the Chair of Examiners, the MSGR will inform the candidate of the outcome and will provide copies of the reports from the examiners.

Further information on examination outcomes can be found in the PhD Handbook: www.gradresearch.unimelb.edu.au/current/phd/bk/examination.html and MPhil Handbook: www.gradresearch.unimelb.edu.au/current/mphil/bk/examination.html.

See also: Examination procedures following recommendations where a third examiner is appointed.