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**INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINERS FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF
MASTER'S THESES AND DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS**

The reports of the examiner will be treated as confidential and only technical details will be conveyed to the candidate.

Each examiner is requested to submit an independent assessment in the form of a **written report**. The assessment should take into account the following general criteria (these criteria may be used as framework for your report):

	Master's Degrees	Doctoral Degrees
1.1	<p>The mastering of the relevant field of study.</p> <p>For the Master's degree, the thesis need not show proof of original work, which makes a substantial contribution to knowledge in the field of study. If, however, examiners consider awarding a mark of 75% or higher, the following should be taken into consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is there proof of exceptionally clear explanation and development of argument, good judgement and originality of approach? • is the work a reasonable contribution to knowledge in the field of study? • is the extent of the work adequate? 	<p>The extent to which the dissertation makes an original contribution to knowledge in its field.</p> <p>The extent to which the dissertation or part of it is publishable in a professional journal.</p>
1.2	Adequate command of the relevant research method.	
1.3	Familiarity with the relevant research literature.	
1.4	Ability to interpret research results.	
1.5	Clear and systematic presentation of the material and logical exposition of the argument.	
1.6	Proper documentation and support of the results of independent research.	
1.7	Acceptable linguistic and stylistic presentation.	