The Form of the PhD Dissertation

Introduction

This publication is intended to assist studentsreparing PhD dissertations. The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS) requires that each student submit a dissertation through the online

Form of Presentation

<u>Length</u>

Most dissertations are 100 to 300 pages in lengthdissertations should beviolided into appropriate sections, and long dissertations may need chapteins, dinvisions, and even subdivisions. Students should keep in mind that GSAS and many departs deplore overlong and wordy dissertations. If a dissertation contains as many as 400 pages, the brinadjerecommend binding it in two volumes rather than one. For two volume dissertations, paginnasihould be continuous across two volumes.

Pagination

Every page in the dissertation has a number. For the pages (abstract, table of contents, list of tables, graphs, illustrations, and preface), use stream an numerals (i, ii, iii, iv, v...). These may be placed either at the top or the bottom of the pagepages must contain text or images. Should you wish to include a blank page, please print 'Pagentitenally left blank', centered in the middle of the page, to clearly indicate your intent.

Count the title page as page i and the copyright page as plagedio not print the page numbers on either of these two pages.

For the text, use Arabic numbers (1, 2, 3, 4, 5...) is the text itself). As in a book, page numbers can be centered at the text itself).

Sample Title Page fdhe PhD Dissertation

[Title]

A dissertation presented

by

[full name of author as it appears on your GSAS recorh

to

The [official name of the department, division, or committee under which dissertation was written

in partial fulfillment of the requirements
for the degree of
Doctor of Philosophy
in the subject of
[official name of subject as listed in
the GSAS Handbooks(ee "Degree Programs")]

Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts

[Month and year of the submission of the completed dissertation to the department, division, or comm]ttee

	<u> </u>		

Bibliography
Students should check with their advisor or department

achievement. This assumption echoes a traditional **Europi** ea that the candidate for a doctorate must make a contribution to knowledge cannot have a degree for making a discovery that is kept secret. It is, therefore, only in exceptional cases that ess to dissertations is restricted.

If the embargo is necessary, it is possible to embargo the dissertation for six months, one year or two years. If a longer embargo is necessary, the studites warnote in the online to to the Administrator. Once embargoed through ProQuest, the dissentatill then be embargoed through DASH.

ProQuest/UMI Copy - Students may instruct PreQUUMI to sell only by giving permission. This

References

The Chicago Manual of Style5th ed. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press, 2003.

Services and Information