

## Eight month (or final) progress report for Master's Thesis students

Reference: Master's Thesis Regulations section 12

The purpose of this report is to ensure that candidates continue to be on track to complete their thesis within the timeframe. For best results, it should be completed promptly – at 8 months for full-time students and at 18 months for half-time students. Supervisors might also take this opportunity to raise questions about the write-up and submission of the thesis.

**SECTION A** 

| Candidate's last name:                                   | Moss  | Student ID num                        | ber:      | 300476658                         |           |  |  |
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| First name:  | Jeremy  | Scholarship/ext                       | ternal fu | ınding: 🗆 Yes                     | y∕ No     |  |  |
| Degree:  | MSc   | Subject:                              | Astron    | omy                               |           |  |  |
| Enrolment status:  | √ Full-time   | □ Half-time                           |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Thesis working title:                                    | Developing a photometric estimate of quasar redshifts |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Supervisor's name:                                       | Dr Stephen Curran                                     |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Second or co-superviso                                   | or (if applicable): $N / A$                           |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Date of enrolment for thesis: July 2018                  |   |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Date research proposal approved by the School: July 2018 |   |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Date of ethics approva                                   | l (if applicable): MA                                 | Ethics application                    | on numl   | ber (if applicat                  | ole): N/A |  |  |
| SECTION B  |   |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| To be completed by th                                    | e candidate   |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| 1. Are you aware of an                                   | y issues or constraints w                             | hich may delay t  — Yes               |           | oletion of your<br>(go to questio |           |  |  |
| If yes, please specify:                                  |   |                                       | ·         |                                   |           |  |  |
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| 2. How satisfied are yo                                  | u with your progress?                                 |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
| Please comment:  | a with your progress.                                 |                                       |           |                                   |           |  |  |
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| 3. On average, how many hours per week (including weekends) have you dedicated to your thesis/research?  |                                 |   |  |  |  |
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| Enter number of hours per week:  |                                 |   |  |  |  |
| 30 - 40  |                                 |   |  |  |  |
| 4. Please provide a brief timeline for completing your thesis in a timely manner.  Main analysis – largely complete.  Thesis writeup – in progress.  Still some statistical analysis to be done to quantify the veracity of the results. |                                 |   |  |  |  |
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| 5. If you need to y  | vithhold acces                  | s to your thesis have you applied to do so?   |  |  |  |
| □ Yes □  | No No                           | N/A (go to question 6)  |  |  |  |
| If yes, enter date   |                                 |   |  |  |  |
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| 6. Are you on tra  | ck to be withir                 | the maximum 40,000 word limit (or equivalent)?  |  |  |  |
| Yes (go to qu  | uestion 7)                      | □ No  |  |  |  |
| If no, please discu  | iss with your s                 | upervisor.  |  |  |  |
| 7. Do you have pa<br>supervisors, your   | rticular conce<br>school or you | rns that you would welcome more help with (from your home faculty)?   Yes No (go to question 8) |  |  |  |
| If yes, please spec  | cify:                           |   |  |  |  |
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| 8. Please list any additional achievements (e.g. publications, awards, conference presentations or attendances, artistic presentations or performances) since you enrolled for your thesis. |  |  |  |  |
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| Paper submitted to MNRAS, courtesy of Dr Curran – "QSO redshift estimates from optical and near-infrared colours".  |  |  |  |  |
| Candidate's signature: 100 / 100 / 19   |  |  |  |  |
| SECTION C   |  |  |  |  |
| To be completed by the supervisor   |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Are you aware of any issues or constraints which may delay the completion of the thesis?  □ Yes □ No (go to question 2)  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Please comment on the candidate's timeline for completion:   |  |  |  |  |
| Supervisor's signature: Date:   |  |  |  |  |

## **SECTION D**

| To be completed by the second or co-supervisor (if applicable)   |       |  |  |  |  |
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| Please add any comments on the candidate's progress:   |       |  |  |  |  |
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| Second supervisor's signature:   | Date: |  |  |  |  |
| SECTION E  |       |  |  |  |  |
| To be completed by the candidate and the supervisor  |       |  |  |  |  |
| 1. We have read and discussed this report  |       |  |  |  |  |
| □ Yes (go to question 2) □ No  |       |  |  |  |  |
| If no, please comment:   |       |  |  |  |  |
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| 2. We have agreed on a strategy for completing this thesis on time   |       |  |  |  |  |
| □ Yes (go to question 3) □ No  |       |  |  |  |  |
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| 3. We are proposing to apply to upgrade to a PhD   |       |  |  |  |  |
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| □ Yes □ No   |       |  |  |  |  |

Note: Conditions apply to a change of enrolment from Master's to PhD and approvals at School /programme and Faculty level are required. It cannot be assumed that such approval

enough to allow any change to take place. SIGNATURES FOR SECTION E Candidate's signature: Date: 18/03/19 Supervisor's signature Date: **SECTION F** To be completed by the Head of School or nominee □ I have reviewed this report and am satisfied with the progress of the candidate; or  $\ \square$  There are issues for resolution and the following actions will be taken : If action is required, please specify: Please enter timeframe for completion of action: Name: Signature: Date: **SECTION G** To be completed by the Associate Dean (PGR) in the home faculty □ I have read the report and noted any issues that require addressing Please tick at least one of the following boxes to be entered by home Faculty staff into ResearchMaster: □ No outstanding issues □ Academic issues □ Resource issues □ Other issues Comment

will be given. If you have not already filled out the <u>School/Faculty PhD Approval Form-</u>
<u>Upgrade from Masters</u> you should do so promptly to ensure that a decision is made early

| Associate Dean (PGR) signature: Date  | a,    |  |  |  |  |
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| Note: If there are any issues raised in this report that may impact on postgraduate students generally, please advise the Postgraduate Research Administrator in the Faculty of Graduate Research |       |  |  |  |  |
| SECTION H   |       |  |  |  |  |
| To be actioned by the School/Faculty Office   |       |  |  |  |  |
| □ Copy sent to student  | Date: |  |  |  |  |
| □ Copy sent to supervisor   | Date: |  |  |  |  |
| □ Original to Faculty Office  | Date: |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ If the scholarship box in Section A is ticked, copy to Scholarships.  | Date: |  |  |  |  |
| □ Outcome and any comments from section G entered into Research Master by home Faculty Advisors   | Date: |  |  |  |  |