**Eight month progress report for Master’s Thesis students**

Reference: Master’s Thesis Policy section 4.8

*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. Supervisors might also take this opportunity to raise questions about the write-up and submission of the thesis.*

SECTION A

Candidate’s last name: Haslett Student ID number: 300274241

First name: Paran Scholarship/external funding: □ Yes  No

Degree: Subject:

Enrolment status:  Full-time □ Half-time

Thesis working title: Better categorising Git differences using Java

Supervisor’s name: David Pearce

Second or co-supervisor (if applicable): Lindsay Groves

Date of enrolment for thesis: 1 August 2013

Date research proposal approved by the School:

Date of ethics approval (if applicable): Ethics application number (if applicable):

SECTION B

**To be completed by the candidate**

1. Are you aware of any issues or constraints which may delay the completion of your thesis? □ Yes  No (go to question 2)

If yes, please specify:

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| I have constraints that motivate me to complete my thesis on-time.  My wife is due to give birth in early September |

2. How satisfied are you with your progress?

Please comment:

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| As far as the programming goes I have some initial results which I need to write up and validate. So far it is on-track, however I am mindful of what still needs to be done. |

3. On average, how many hours per week (including weekends) have you dedicated to your thesis/research?

Enter number of hours per week:

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4. Please provide a brief timeline for completing your thesis in a timely manner.

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| By the end of April most of the writing of code, and testing should be done. This will free up time to focus solely on the write up of the actual thesis. I already have a number of documents that are about something related so there is plenty to reference. |

5. If you need to [withhold access to your thesis](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/documents/policy/research-policy/withholding-of-theses-procedure.pdf) have you applied to do so?

□ Yes □ No  N/A (go to question 6)

If yes, enter date of application:

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If no, please comment:

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6. Are you on track to be within the maximum 40,000 word limit (or equivalent)?

 Yes (go to question 7) □ No

If no, please discuss with your supervisor.

7. Do you have particular concerns that you would welcome more help with (from your supervisors, your school or your home faculty)?  Yes □ No (go to question 8)

If yes, please specify:

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| My only concern is personal time constraints. As my wife is pregnant I would welcome any help in finding a full-time job by the time my thesis is completed. |

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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Candidate’s signature: Date:

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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)

If yes, please specify:

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2. Please comment on the candidate’s timeline for completion:

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Supervisor’s signature: Date:

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SECTION D

**To be completed by the second or co-supervisor (if applicable)**

Please add any comments on the candidate’s progress:

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Second supervisor’s signature: Date:

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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

If no, please comment:

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3. We are proposing to apply to upgrade to a PhD

□ 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 will be given. If you have not already filled out the* [*School/Faculty PhD Approval Form- Upgrade from Masters*](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/fgr/prospective-phds/qualifications-required/convert-from-masters) *you should do so promptly to ensure that a decision is made early enough to allow any change to take place.*

SIGNATURES FOR SECTION E

**Candidate’s signature: Date:**

**Supervisor’s signature Date:**

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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**

□ There are issues for resolution and the following actions will be taken :

If action is required, please specify:

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Please enter timeframe for completion of action:

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Name: Signature: Date:

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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

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Associate Dean (PGR) signature: Date:

*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: