

## **Extract from the University Calendar 18-19**

### **Schedule A: Master of Science by Research**

1. Research Students within the meaning of Ordinance 350 (General No 12) may be candidates for the Degree of Master of Science, or Master of Science (Medical Science) or Master of Science (Veterinary Science) in any appropriate area of study in the College of Medical, Veterinary & Life Sciences and Science & Engineering and Social Sciences.
2. On completion of the prescribed period of research, each candidate shall present a thesis embodying the results of their work. The thesis must be in English. The thesis may be either a record of original research, or a critical review of existing knowledge. In either case, either a written or an oral examination, or both, may be required, and candidates shall be notified of such requirements through their supervisors.
3. In no case shall the thesis required from a candidate be submitted before the completion of 12 months from the date of their admission as a research student. Except by special permission of the Senate, a thesis may not be presented after the lapse of 12 months from the date on which the candidate ceases to be a registered student.
4. Application for examination for the Degree of MSc, or the Degree of MSc (Medical Science) or the Degree of MSc (Veterinary Science), must be submitted in accordance with the procedures of the appropriate College, details of which may be obtained from the College Graduate School on request.
5. A Committee of Examiners shall be appointed to examine the thesis of each candidate. The Committee shall consist of one or more members appointed by the Senate, together with one or more external examiners appointed by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senate. The Examiners shall conduct such oral and written examinations as they may desire or as the Senate may prescribe in each case, but in no case shall the examination of the thesis constitute less than half of the final assessment.
6. A candidate must submit two bound printed or typewritten copies of their thesis. The thesis must include a summary (250–1,000 words), which must be accompanied by a declaration by the candidate that it has been composed by them. The candidate must also state the extent to which they have availed themselves of the work of others, and must further state which portions of the thesis, if any, they claim as original. The submitted copies of the thesis may be soft-bound but otherwise should generally conform to the British Standards Institution's Recommendations for the Presentation of Theses and Dissertations (BS4821:1990) which is available for consultation in the University Library or from the College Graduate School.
7. If the Examiners consider that the thesis, portfolio, or project work has not achieved the standard required for the award of the Degree, the candidate may be permitted to revise the thesis, portfolio or project and resubmit it, on one occasion only, under such conditions as the Examiners may prescribe in each particular case. Normally, resubmission should be no later than 6 months after the date of the meeting of the Board of Examiners.
8. If approved for the degree, one bound copy of the thesis and one electronic copy shall be deposited with the University Library. The bound copy should normally be produced to the standard defined in BS4821:1990, and the electronic copy must conform to University Library specifications published at <http://theses.gla.ac.uk/format.html>. It is the University's normal practice to make the bound copy available for consultation in the Library, and to permit computer download of the electronic copy through its repository service, Enlighten. Such access may, however, be restricted under provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 or the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004.

