

Research Degree Milestones

Masters by Research

		Submit thesis	RTS & scholarship ends
0 - 6 months	6 - 18 months	18 months - 2 years	\downarrow
Commencing		Expected	
	Continuing	submission	
		Completing	

Commencing	Continuing Completing	
First month	6 - 18 months	18 months - 2 years
Enrol into the program	Check enrolment	Check enrolment
Meet with supervisors & complete Orientation Form	Check myUNSW student portal that details are correct	Complete Progress Review
Complete induction & Health & Safety training	Consider applying for travel grants	Check myUNSW student portal that details are correct
Check myUNSW student portal that details are correct	Complete literature review	Aim for publications
1 - 6 months	Aim for publications	Apply to go overtime if timelines not met (need approval from PGC & HDC)
Attend GRS induction	Complete Progress Review (6- 9 months from census date)	Submit thesis to primary supervisor
Establish key milestones & timelines with supervisor	Begin writing thesis	Submit notification of intention to submit via myUNSW
Complete ethics approval process (if necessary)	Review chapters with primary supervisor	Supervisor to nominate examiners
Complete research proposal	Begin discussion with supervisors about possible examiners	Submit thesis before or by census date
Start work on literature review		Thesis sent to examiners
		Make corrections to thesis according to examiners' reports
		Submit corrections & final thesis
		Award conferred
		Attend graduation

These timelines are indicative & based on full-time enrolment. Timelines will be doubled for part-time enrolment (excluding Progress Reviews which must be undertaken every year for the first 2 years and then every 6 months thereafter).