APPLICATION FOR MASTER OF COMMERCE DISSERTATION

**ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

In order to be considered for the dissertation, you need to:

1. Achieve an average grade of at least 80% over a minimum of eight units of study within the Master of Commerce
2. Obtain confirmation from an academic member of staff of their willingness and availability to supervise you for the proposed period (one or two semesters, depending on whether you intend to complete the dissertation on a full-time or part-time basis)
3. Produce a 2-3 page research proposal outlining the following:
   a) Topic and key research question (i.e. ‘What?’)
   b) Relationship to prior research literature and theory
   c) Research method (What sort of evidence? How will it be obtained? How analysed?) (i.e. ‘How?’)
   d) Why is the study of potential significance? How might it add to/challenge existing understandings of the topic? (i.e. ‘So what?’)

Application must be submitted to business.graduatecommerce@sydney.edu.au by January 31 for enrolment in Semester 1 or June 30 for enrolment in Semester 2.

**HELPFUL HINTS**

- Research expertise of academic staff within the School are outlined on staff homepages at [http://sydney.edu.au/business/people](http://sydney.edu.au/business/people)

**CHECK LIST** (Supporting documents to be attached)

- [ ] Research Proposal
- [ ] Confirmation of Availability from the Supervisor

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- [ ] Approval of Chair of Discipline
- [ ] Approval of MCom Program Director