

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH TRAINING PROTOCOLS:

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Recruitment of postgraduate research students to be Internet focussed.
2. A Web-based database to be developed for all postgraduate candidatures and an electronic version of the Annual Report form to be articulated with that database.
3. Potential postgraduate students to be assessed carefully for likely completion time and at most, only 1st class Honours and research Masters graduates to enter directly into a PhD program.
4. All postgraduate research students to undergo an Induction Program on commencing their studies and all new supervisors to undertake the ITL course on Postgraduate Supervision.
5. Each Department to have an active Postgraduate Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator who are responsible to HoDs for all postgraduate candidature matters.
6. All postgraduate research candidatures to be reviewed annually by the Postgraduate Coordinator and all matters raised in the review to be acted upon as appropriate.
7. Performance of postgraduate research supervisors to be reviewed annually by Heads of Department as part of the University's performance management program and performance to be taken into account when allocating funding and postgraduate research students.
8. Where postgraduate separations occur before completion of the candidature, exit interviews are to be conducted by HoDs.
9. HoDs, Deans and PVC (S&T) to monitor postgraduate research training performance indices each Semester.