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| aber-uni-logo-mono **EXAMINATION OFA RESEARCH MASTER’S THESIS** |
|  |  EXAMINERS’ REPORT and NOTIFICATION OF RESULT FORMS |  |
| Surname of Candidate |  |  |
| Forenames of Candidate (in full) |  |  |
| Department/School/Institute -------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------Title of Degree Sought (eg MPhil, LLM Res) -----------------------------------------------------------------------Title of Thesis \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| The following sections of this document must be completed: 1. The **external examiner's** reports (three sub-sections); 2. The **internal examiner's** report on the thesis; 3. A short **joint report** by the internal and external examiners (to be completed after the oral examination);  4. The **formal signed and dated notification** to the University of the Examining Board's  recommendation **on the** **outcome of the examination**.Guidance for Examining Boards for Research Degrees is attached and should be read by the Convenor and Chair and the Examiners before proceeding. |
| Examiners should be aware that, under the 1998 Data Protection Act, candidates have the right to request access to any comments made about them in these reports. |

**1 EXTERNAL EXAMINER’S REPORTS**

**1.1** **External Examiner’s report on thesis**

 *(Additional sheets may be appended, if necessary.)*

Signed and dated .......................................................................…………… (External Examiner)

Please print name here (in block letters).......................................................................……………

**1.2 External Examiner’s Report on the Oral Examination**

Signed and dated .......................................................................…………… (External Examiner)

Please print name here (in block letters).......................................................................……………

**1.3 External Examiner’s Report on matters of general concern or interest, including issues relating to quality and standards, which should be drawn to the attention of the Department/School/Institute or to the University:**

Signed and dated .......................................................................…………… (External Examiner)

Please print name here (in block letters).......................................................................……………

**2. INTERNAL EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THESIS**

 *(Additional sheets may be appended, if necessary.)*

Signed and dated .......................................................................…………… (Internal Examiner)

Please print name here (in block letters).......................................................................……………

**3. JOINT REPORT BY EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL EXAMINERS**

 The examiners are invited to provide a brief joint report after the oral examination has concluded.

 The report should draw together any disparate views on the thesis which may have been expressed by the examiners in their individual reports. A brief agreed view on the candidate's principal strengths and weaknesses, the approach to the topic, and on the performance at the oral examination might also be expressed.

 The joint report might also comment on any difficulties experienced during the examination process and, *especially in the case of unsuccessful candidatures*, on the manner in which the examination was conducted and on whether the candidate was given the opportunity to draw the examining board's attention to any particular circumstances which might have affected his/her performance.

Signed …………………………………………………… (External Examiner)

Signed …………………………………………………… (External Examiner)

Signed …………………………………………………… (Internal Examiner) Date:

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**EXAMINERS’ FORMAL RECOMMENDATION ON THE OUTCOME OF THE EXAMINATION**

 Surname of Candidate ……………………………………………………………………………

 Forenames of Candidate (in full) ……………………………………………………………………………

 Department/School/Institute ……………………………………………………………………………

 Title of Thesis ……………………………………………………………………………

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**The Board of Examiners, after consideration of the work presented for the degree of**

 ***(indicate title of degree sought here)* …………………………. by the above-named candidate recommend:** [*please indicate one only of the following options below; clarification and guidance on each is provided in the "Guidance for Examining Boards”.]*

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| 🞎 | (a) | **that the candidate be approved for the degree sought subject to completion of such minor corrections** **as may be required by the Examining Board**. Corrections should be completed within a period of four working weeks from the date of the notification to the candidate of the outcome of the examination. The Board may stipulate that the corrections shall be scrutinised by either/both examiner(s) prior to the award process being initiated. (Also use this category where no corrections required.) |
| 🞎 | (b) | **that the candidate be** **approved for the degree sought** **subject to such corrections and amendments as may be required by the Examining Board**. Corrections/amendments should be completed within a period of twelve working weeks from the date of the notification to the candidate of the outcome of the examination. The Board must stipulate that the corrections shall be scrutinised by either/both examiner(s) prior to the award process being initiated. |
| 🞎 | (c)  | **that the candidate be not approved for the degree sought but be allowed to modify the thesis and re-submit it for the degree**. A candidate may be allowed a single opportunity to re-submit the work. The re-submission should take place within a period not exceeding one year from the date of the official notification to the candidate of the outcome of the examination. **NB** This option is not applicable when a re-submitted work is being examined. |
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| 🞎 | (d) | **that the candidate be not approved for the award of a degree.**  |

 Signed . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (External Examiner)

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Signed and dated . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. . . . . . . . . . . . . . (Chair of Examining Board)