

Master's Thesis/ Design project/Master Project Guideline

Master's thesis, Design Project and Master Project are the component of a successful graduate degree. To successfully work on a thesis, the student should begin with a question that hasn't been answered so far and answer that question to make an original contribution to knowledge.

The Process:

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Abstract: Write a paragraph or two about your topic including a brief description of your ideas about the question.

Introduction: Give a general introduction of what the thesis or project is about. Write a few paragraphs about the question, give the reason for its importance and explain how you will answer it.

History or Background Information: Write a brief history or give a brief background of your questions by giving information about the terminology and the abbreviations that will be used in the thesis or project.

Literature Review and Research: Write in detail how you look at the question, its issues and problems in the field that you choose to research. Give information about the scope of the research and how you look at it to answer the question. You can also discuss the various view points gathered from your research about the question.

You may use subsections to distinguish your work methodically with your ideas on the field.

Discussion: Now you can be critical about the research by answering your question's, issues and problems and then giving an analysis about your argument. You can discuss your topic by approaching the works of other authors and proved that your answer is correct and up to the point. You should be able to clearly describe in detail your answer to the question.

Results: Write about the results that were obtained from your answer. Give evidence to support what you have answered in your question.

Conclusion: In your conclusion paragraphs include the inference of your work and write a summary of what you have drawn from your contribution to the knowledge. Finally, write in brief on how your research will give scope to future research in the field.

Syllabus / assignment request information:

The Professor will email the **Master Thesis syllabus** and Master's Thesis/Design project/Master Project Guideline's in an attachment to the student at the beginning of the semester. At the end of the semester, students are required to submit their Master Thesis hardcopy in a **Document Binding / Strip or Book** to the Academic Advisor and email a softcopy of their Thesis to the professor.

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References: Make a list of all the citations that are used in the body of your thesis. The citations should be in alphabetical order by author's surname. The references listed should be related to the topic and used for your research. Do not omit any references used in your thesis or project. It is against the copyright law. You will need to honor the works of other authors whose work you have used.

Mention wherever you have used a reference in the body of your thesis or project. For example: you have referenced a book then add the author's name in Parenthesis. In case you have used a quote from a book then put the sentence in Quotes and then mention the author's name in parenthesis (Novak, 2005) or directly with the quote.

Examples for writing citations:

Mervis, C. B. & Rosch, E. (1981). Categorization of natural objects. *Annual Review of Psychology*, 32, p. 89-115.

Osherson, D. N. & Smith, E. E. (1982). Gradedness and conceptual combination. *Cognition*, 12 (2), p. 299-318.

Appendices: This will be a good place to put in your charts, tables or surveys that you do not want to include in the body.

Note: Please see the librarian for help with your references.

Start writing your thesis or project early. Give yourself time to do the research and put your thoughts on paper. A good thesis will take time to write. Finally be well organized.

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