

NOMINATION OF ASSESSORS FOR A DOCTORAL CANDIDATE

1. STUDENT INFORMATION

Title, initials and surname			
Student number			
Year of first registration		Programme	
Title of dissertation			

2. SUPERVISOR(S) INFORMATION

Supervisor

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3. GUIDELINES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSESSOR

- Where no consensus can be reached by the examiners as to the outcome of the examination of a PhD dissertation (during the oral examination), two independent assessors are appointed.
- The independent assessors are appointed by the non-examining chair in consultation with the supervisor(s) on an ad hoc basis for each dispute case.
- The process is managed by the non-examining chair of the examination panel who acts in accordance with the faculty's established practices for processing examination results.
- One independent external assessor should be a senior academic appointed at any other university or research institution in South Africa, while the other independent external assessor should be a senior academic appointed at any international university or research institution outside South Africa.

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- Both independent external assessors must be experts in the specific area/field/topic raised by the dissertation
- A person who was previously associated with or appointed at SU must have not been in service of this university for a period of at least three years before that person can be appointed as an independent external assessor.
- In exceptional cases, an independent international assessor may be considered, however, supervisors must provide a thorough academic motivation for such an appointment.
- The Postgraduate Examinations Office is responsible for sending the copy of the dissertation, copies of examiners' and supervisor's reports and other necessary documentation to the independent assessor.
- **IMPORTANT:** Only an electronic version of the thesis and supporting documents will be sent to the assessor, who is welcome to print their own hard copies.

Independent external assessor 1 (South Africa)

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Independent external assessor 2 (International)

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Signature of Departmental Chair

Date

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