

# CANDIDATURE MANAGEMENT PLAN

## Doctor of Philosophy

*(Scholarship Holders 3.5 years; others 4 years)*

### **6 months** - full-time equivalent enrolment

- Completion of Central Commencement Program
- Completion of Divisional Commencement Program
- First draft of Research Proposal\* submitted
- Completion of Commencement report (Division)
- Candidature confirmed by Division and HDRO
- No Leave of Absence permitted at this point
- Candidate to check Research Student Profile details through *eStudent*
- Thesis completion timetable developed
- Publication and financial expenditure plan

### **12 months** - full-time equivalent enrolment

- Completion of Annual Report and MUSEQ-R
- SCHOLARSHIP HOLDER: No LOA/Scholarship suspension normally permitted in first year
- Main Literature Review or equivalent completed
- Design of research methodology completed
- Final draft of Research proposal submitted
- Ethics Committee application submitted and approved
- Data collection commenced
- Candidate to check Research Student Profile details through *eStudent*
- Thesis completion timetable revised

### **24 months** - full-time equivalent enrolment

- Completion of Annual Report and MUSEQ-R
- Data collection continues
- Commencement of Data Analysis
- Preparation of early draft chapters/papers
- Postgraduate Research Fund application submitted
- Candidate to check Research Student Profile details through *eStudent*
- Thesis completion timetable revised

### **36 months** - full-time equivalent enrolment

- Completion of Annual Report and MUSEQ-R
- Data Analysis completed
- Continuation of draft chapters
- Literature Review or equivalent updated
- Candidate to check Research Student Profile details through *eStudent*
- Thesis completion timetable revised

**42 months** - full-time equivalent enrolment

Final chapters/papers in progress for Supervisor approval

Thesis completion timetable revised

Submission of Completion report (Division)

Candidate to check Research Student Profile details through *eStudent*

SCHOLARSHIP HOLDER: Expiry of Scholarship and Submission of Thesis by due date

**48 months** - full-time equivalent enrolment

Thesis examiners submitted for approval by HDRC

Submission of Thesis by due date

International students may need to apply for a Visa extension

- \* The RP should include details of your research time-line and activities (including publication), intellectual justification of the project, a review of literature, methodology, etc. This document is usually between 5-10,000 words depending on your discipline.