

Submission of Thesis for Post-2012 Postgraduate Research Students

Students who started their current postgraduate research programme after 1st September 2012 are not permitted to submit their thesis after their expected end date. The previous policy, which permitted a student to apply for late submission of a thesis, ceased to apply in June 2012. The implications of this are that:

1. Students must be able to demonstrate that they have mitigating circumstances in order to apply for an extension to submit their thesis after their expected end date. This must be in line with the process set out in S [12.6 'Policy on Circumstances leading to Changes in Postgraduate Research Study'](#) and in the ['Faculty of Humanities Special Permissions Guidelines'](#).
2. Students should be made aware that they need to raise such mitigating circumstances at the time that the problem arises. Retrospective applications will not normally be considered.
3. Students who cannot evidence that they have mitigating circumstances will not be given permission to extend their submission deadline and will fail their programme as they will not be permitted to submit their thesis. In accordance with the University's [Regulation XIX](#) governing academic appeals, students may appeal against this decision, provided it is made on eligible grounds.

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