

PhD in Tourism / PhD in Hospitality

The Doctor of Philosophy (Tourism/Hospitality) program aims at educating scholars who will lead in their fields of research such as hospitality and tourism theory and practices, quantitative and qualitative methods in both areas. Students pursuing the degree should be capable of conducting independent research in the field of hospitality/tourism and related areas. Graduates from this program can be employed in academics, research institutions or public and private agencies.

GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE PROGRAM

Admission Requirements

Candidates should have a cumulative grade-point average (CGPA) of not less than 3.00 on a 4-point scale at the Master level or equivalent.

An applicant with an outstanding bachelor degree with CGPA of 3.75 and above or equivalent to first class honours may, subject to any other requirements, also apply for direct admission into PhD degree programme.

An applicant for provisional admission may also be made by a student who has submitted his Master's thesis for examination.

Admission

Intake is twice annually and admission is open at the beginning of the First Semester (September) and Second Semester (February) of each year.

Program Requirements

Courses

Students are required to register for minimum of twelve (12) credits and up to a maximum of sixty six (36) credits of coursework relevant to his field of study. The courses a student should register for must be on the advice of his Advisor/ Thesis Supervisory Committee.

Seminar/Research Proposal

Students are required to register for SPS 6903 Seminar. This 1-credit seminar course is meant for students to prepare and orally present their research proposal, and should be taken, at the latest, by the third semester of their study programme. The course will be graded on a Satisfactory/Non-satisfactory basis.

Doctoral Research

A PhD candidate is required to register for SPS 6999 PhD Research every semester. This is a research project whereby at the end of the study period the candidate will submit a research work.

Comprehensive Examination

PhD candidates must pass a comprehensive examination before starting their research. The written examination is based on the written PhD research proposal, which must be submitted to the Unit of Graduate Study at the faculty not later than the 12th week of the 5th semester of the PhD Program. However, the candidate can submit and have the examination earlier than the given dateline. The oral examination will be arranged within three weeks upon the receipt of the written research proposal. During the oral examination, the candidate will present the proposal to an Examination Committee, which will be appointed by the Faculty. Candidates are not allowed to sit for the examination more than twice.

PhD Thesis

All PhD students must present and pass the thesis examination. Thesis topics must be related to the area of specialization and has to be approved by the Thesis Examination Committee to be appointed by the UPM.

Tuition Fees

The Basic fees imposed by the Graduate School Office are:

| | 1st Semester (MYR) | 2nd – 4th Semesters (MYR) | 5th - 6th Semester (MYR) | 7th and Subsequent Semester (MYR) |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Local Students | 2,462.50 | 2,212.50 | 1,650.00 | 2,650.00 |
| International Students | 5,762.50 | 4,012.50 | 3,450.00 | 3,800.00 |

- If the thesis is submitted before the deadline the student is required to register and pay **MYR 350.00** only for next semester.
- If you have to re-submit your thesis, your re-submission fees in **MYR 2,250.00**.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND LIST OF COURSES

Program Structure

| Semester | Full Time Student (12 credit per semester) | |
|------------------|---|-------------|
| Semester 1 | Coursework | 6-9 credits |
| | SPS6999 | 3-6 credits |
| Semester 2 | Coursework | 6-9 credits |
| | SPS6903 | 1 credit |
| | SPS6999 | 3-6 credits |
| Semester 3 | SPS6999 | 12 credits |
| Semester 4 | SPS6999 | 12 credits |
| | (Proposal Defense) | |
| Semester 5 | SPS6999 | 12 credits |
| Semester 6 | SPS6999 | 12 credits |
| Semesters 6 – 10 | | |

Notes: Students are required to:

- Please contact your advisor/supervisor to set up a time to discuss your course schedule.
- Register SPS6999 Doctoral Research for each semester (3 – 12 credits).
- fill-out GS-11 Progress Report at the end of each semester

Coursework requirement: (Waiting for senate approval)

Students are also allowed to register for other courses offered by the Faculty and University. Options are listed in the following details.

List Of Research Method Class

| Course Codes | Course Names | Credit Hours | Faculty |
|--------------|--|--------------|------------------------------------|
| EDU6950 | Advanced Statistics in Education | 3 | Education |
| EDU6903 | Qualitative Methods in Educational Research | 3 | |
| DCE6925 | Advanced Qualitative for Social Science | 3 | |
| DCE6953 | Multivariate Statistics for Social Science | 3 | |
| FEM6001 | Quantitative Research Method | 3 | Human Ecology |
| FEM6002 | Interpretation of Research Data | 3 | |
| FEM6003 | Qualitative Research Method | 3 | |
| KOM6115 | Advanced Statistics for Communication Research | | Modern Languages and Communication |
| KOM6119 | Qualitative Methods in Communication Research | | |

Other Courses

| Course Codes | Course Names | Credit Hours | Faculty |
|--------------|---|--------------|------------------------------------|
| DCE6632 | Organisation Theory | 3 | Education |
| DCE6634 | Workplace Relations | 3 | |
| EDU6302 | Human Performance Technology | 3 | |
| FST6101 | Issues In Food Science | 3 | Food Science & Technology |
| FST6201 | Food Safety Issues | 3 | |
| FST6301 | Trends In Food Technology | 3 | |
| KOM6111 | Advances Communication Theory | 3 | Modern Languages and Communication |
| KOM6117 | Communication Research Design | 3 | |
| KOM6315 | Current Development in Organizational Communication | 3 | |
| KOM6519 | Trends and Challenge in Mass Communication | 3 | |

For Economics Courses, please refer to MSc in Economics Course Outline in the Guideline provided by the faculty.

For further information:

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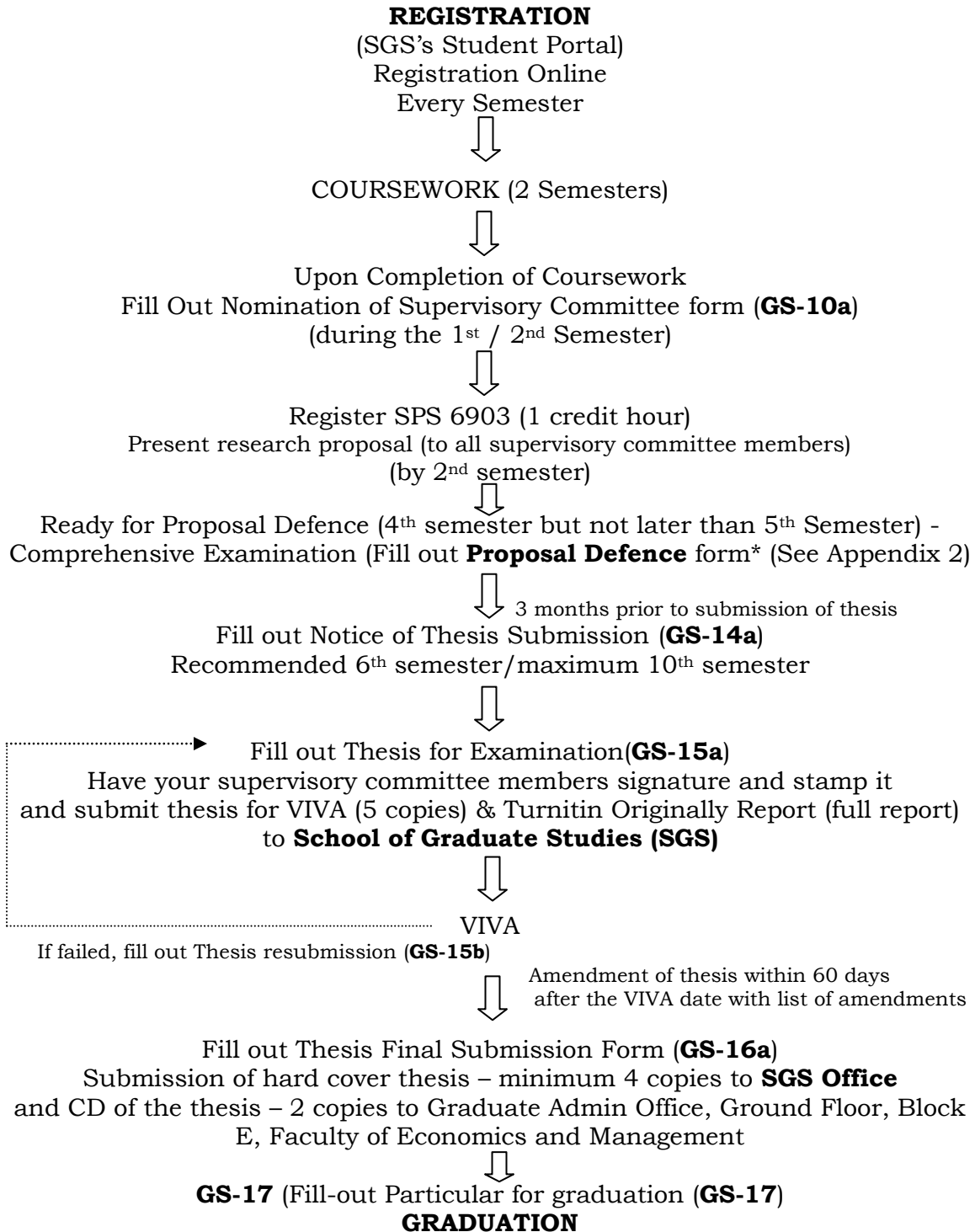
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Ph.D Flow Chart of Milestones



* This form can be obtained from the Graduate Admin Office, Ground Floor, Block E, FEP