FACULTY OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

Guidelines for submitting a proposal for Master of Science by Research

1.0 Purpose

These guidelines are intended to help applicants prepare a research proposal for the Master by Research degrees offered by the Faculty of Information and Communications Technology.

2.0 Applicability

These guidelines apply to prospective students applying for February 2010 and later.

3.0 Proposal Content

3.1 Formatting

The proposal must be written on A4 paper using single-spaced, twelve-point font in the text. The length of the proposal, including front page, figures, tables and references, should normally be four (4) pages. A template of the front page can be found at the end of this document.

3.2 Content

The content expected by the candidate is as follows:

> 3.2.1 The Provisional Title
> 3.2.2 An Introduction to the subject
> 3.2.3 A description of the problem that will be tackled
> 3.2.4 An overview of relevant research and theory
> 3.2.5 The proposed solutions and their expected impact
> 3.2.6 An indication on how the results will be evaluated
> 3.2.7 Any ethical issues and how these will be tackled (if applicable)
> 3.2.8 The expected timeline
> 3.2.9 References
> 3.2.10 Signature and statement from proposed supervisor
> 3.2.11 Recommendation from the Head of the Department.

3.3 Submission

Other than the copy submitted with the application, the candidate must submit a signed copy of the original proposal to the Faculty Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF [XXXXXX]

[Title of Proposal]

by
[Name of student]

Proposed Supervisor: [Name of Supervisor]

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