

and grammatical errors, as well as corrections to references and minor re-writing to clarify context or interpretation.

Normally, errors of presentation can be remedied by *minor amendments* unless they are judged as fundamentally and comprehensively impairing the argument of the thesis, which would require substantial re-writing or re-structuring. In such a case it is advisable to recommend major amendments as the final form of the thesis would differ substantially from its original form and would need reassessing as a whole. For example, the inclusion of new data, fieldwork or practice, new analysis or substantial new additions to literature would be major amendments.

18.4 Awards of the University are formally conferred upon Research Degree students by a representative of the Vice-Chancellor acting on behalf of the Academic Board and the Board of Governors. The Graduate School Office Head is responsible for reviewing, checking and completing the recommendation paperwork for signature by a representative of the Vice-Chancellor.

19. Disagreement Amongst Examiners

Where examiners fail to agree on a recommendation they shall report separately on the appropriate form to the Graduate School Office. The Director of the Graduate School in consultation with the Research Degrees Committee may:

- a) accept a majority recommendation, provided that this includes the recommendation of at least one external examiner; or
- b) accept the recommendation of the external examiner or, if more than one, the agreed recommendation of the external examiners; or
- c) appoint an additional external examiner.

Where an additional external examiner is appointed, he/she shall not be informed of the recommendations of the other examiners but shall prepare an independent preliminary report on the basis of the thesis and, if he/she considers it necessary, conduct a further oral examination. On receiving the report of this additional external examiner the Director of the Graduate School in consultation with the Research Degrees Committee shall have options 18.2 a), b) or c) available to it.

20. Students' Rights of Appeal

20.1 A student has the right to appeal against a decision of:

- a) the University to terminate his/her registration;
- b) the University to decline an application for transfer report or formal review