Orientation Essentials for New UNSW HDR Candidates in 2019
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start date, study load, and candidature history, and is calculated assuming continuing enrolment at your current study load (full time/part time). It is the end date of the final term of enrolment in your HDR program.

Once you are enrolled in your program, you can view your thesis submission date in GRIS gris.unsw.edu.au/login. If you make changes to your candidature (e.g. change between full time and part time study load), your updated thesis submission date will be available in GRIS after the census date for the term when these changes are made.

// Important policies for Higher Degree Research Candidates
It is essential that you are aware of important policies and procedures that affect you as a UNSW researcher. See the UNSW Governance Support website to read policies about:
- Higher Degree Research Supervision
- Higher Degree Research Supervision Procedures
- Higher Degree Research Supervision Guidelines
- Research Code of Conduct
- Progress Review and Confirmation of Research Candidatures Procedure
- Conflict of Interest
- Conditions for Award
- Facilities and Resources to Support Higher Degree Research Candidates Guideline
- Intellectual Property
- Animal Research Ethics Procedure - Human Research Ethics Procedure
- Work Health and Safety (OHS)
- Handling Research Material and Data Procedure
- Statement of Authorship and Location of Data Form
- Authorship and Resolving Disputes between Authors Procedure
- Thesis Examination Procedures

gs.unsw.edu.au/policy/findapolicy/index.html

// Thesis Submission Date
Your thesis submission date is the final date by which you should submit your thesis for examination. It is based on your maximum time to complete, your

// Census dates
The census date for each term is set by UNSW in accordance with Commonwealth legislation. It is the deadline for:
- Change of study load (full time/part time)
- Taking program leave
- Withdrawal from a course without financial or academic penalty
- Change of Residence status

// Maximum Time in HDR Programs
All HDR programs have a maximum period of time for completion of the degree. For PhD programs, this period of time is four years (full time equivalent) while for Masters programs (Master of Research and Master of Philosophy), this period of time is two years (full time equivalent).

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