

Guidance Notes

All students are required to prepare a short written literature report at 3 months./ (no more than 20 A4 sides, 12 font and 1.5 spacing – excluding bibliography).

It is anticipated that the literature report will form the basis of the introduction to the continuation / transfer report or MPhil thesis.

Enclose a copy of **Form 3** with your finished report. At the literature report meeting you will spend some time with your Supervisor and Advisor discussing your report.

In some CAGs and Schools, you may also be required to give a short talk about your project. Data is not expected, but by 3 months, the Student needs to have a good grasp of their project and be able to describe the experiments they propose to perform over the next 6 months. You can expect to receive a written assessment of your talk on a form similar to Form 13.

Specific Aims of the Literature Report

- To review the literature providing the background to the research area.
- To identify the importance of the research area and what is controversial.
- To formulate a hypothesis based on the literature reviewed.
- To detail the aims of the project
- To critically evaluate the various **theoretical** approaches that could be used to address the aims of the project and why specific approaches have been chosen for the project.
- To outline the relevance of the proposed project to the research area.

FORM 3 – Literature Report Assessment – 3 Months

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 Supervisor: Chris Taylor

The Literature Report should be submitted 3 months after Registration to the Supervisor & Advisor. The Literature Report meeting should be held after both Supervisor and Advisor have read the literature report.

To be completed by Supervisor & Advisor after the meeting.		Date of Meeting:	
1. Critically comment upon the relevance of the report to the aims of the project?			
<i>Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary</i>			
2. Are there any areas of literature, which have been omitted?			
<i>Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary</i>			
3. Please provide constructive criticism regarding the standard of the report in terms of presentation, analysis of information from papers, use of tables and figures.			
<i>Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary</i>			
4. How would you rate the Literature Report overall? (Please tick)			
Excellent		Very good	
Adequate		Requires modification	Good
			Requires substantial modification

Signature of Supervisor..... Date

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Signature of Advisor Date
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Declaration by Student

I have discussed my progress with the Advisor and my Supervisor and have read and agree with the comments made above.

Signature of Student.....
Date

Fix date of 6 month Meeting:

Don't forget to send a copy to the Graduate Tutor/Education Office