



	Alternative Format Thesis	Degree of Doctor of Philosophy by Published Work
What is it	<p>Where the thesis contains one or more journal articles (submitted to a journal or published) this is considered an alternative format thesis. Please note there is no requirement to publish research in journals for the award of a PhD degree, this format is available if a student requests it and subject to approval. However, the researched materials should be derived from original research undertaken <i>after</i> the date the student initially registered with the University. Students are expected to have made the <i>primary contribution</i> to any work presented within a thesis. Normally, only ONE paper can be co-authored.</p> <p>Guidance on the format, originality, contents and authorship is provided at the link below and on the website.</p>	<p>A thesis that is comprised of published research outputs (these may contain both textual and non-textual research outputs) and an explanatory essay including an adequate and informative abstract of the work, which justifies the intellectual significance of the submission. *</p> <p>*for specific criteria and conditions please see 'Further Information' specifically Schedule B.</p>
Who can apply and when	<p>Applications for an alternative format thesis happen <u>after</u> a student has been accepted into the university to complete the PhD.</p> <p>Students can apply for this at any point throughout their period of study once they have been accepted. They should apply as early as possible before submitting their thesis, but at least 6 months before submission.</p>	<p>Application to get a PhD by Published works begins before the student is accepted into the university to complete the PhD.</p> <p>Applicants can be 1) a graduate of University of Glasgow* 2) a member of staff* 3) a former member of staff 4) or other</p> <p>*for specific criteria and conditions please see 'Further Information', specifically Schedule B.</p>
What is the approval process	<p>Students should first speak to their supervisors. Once the supervisors agreed to submit an alternative format thesis, it has to go to the</p>	<p>Potential students should contact the relevant School and the School PGR Director should appoint a supervisor if they are of the view</p>



School PGR Director. Thereafter the [application](#) and [additional documents](#) should be completed and sent to the [graduate school](#) for approval by the Dean of Graduate Studies.

The Dean will check the application against the Guidance (see below) to see whether approval can be given.

that the application should succeed. This should then be submitted to the Graduate School to gain permission from the Dean of Graduate Studies. The relevant form below should be completed. Once approved the candidate will be prompted to apply for admission and complete registration.

Further information

- [PGR Alternative Format Thesis Guidance](#)
- [PGR Code of Practice](#) Sections 10.3 - 10.5

- [Schedule B: Degree of Doctor of Philosophy by Published Work](#)
- [Summary Note of College Procedure](#)
- [Application Form](#)