



SCHOOL OF POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

PHD RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL - JANUARY 2024

DESCRIPTION

The PhD generally requires candidates to undertake advanced academic research. To obtain a PhD, one must demonstrate a high level of research capability and make a significant original contribution that advances theory and in some cases practice. This significant original contribution must meet peer review and be worthy of publication. The PhD is a terminal or apex qualification that should advance the frontiers of knowledge in a well-defined disciplinary or multidisciplinary area. To obtain PhD, graduates must demonstrate the following knowledge and skills (HEQC, 2018):

KNOWLEDGE

- a) Broad, well informed, and current knowledge of the field or discipline
- b) Expert, specialized, and in-depth current knowledge specific area of research
- c) Insight into the interconnectedness of one's topic of research with other cognate fields
- d) Ethical awareness in research and professional conduct
- e) An original contribution to the field

SKILLS

- a) Evaluation, selection, and application of appropriate research approaches, methodologies, and processes in pursuit of a research objective
- b) Reflection and autonomy
- c) Communication skills, including relevant information and digital literacy skills
- d) Critical and analytical thinking for problem solving

The goals of this residential school are therefore:

- a) To understand research philosophies, designs, methodologies, and techniques required to undertake advanced research
- b) To undertake advanced scholarly research on complex issues
- c) To effectively develop the skills to write a research proposal at the Doctoral level
- d) To effectively participate in both academic and professional activities

PHD RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL - STAGE ONE - TIMETABLE

5th to 16th February 2024

MODE OF LEARNING: ONLINE

(Link available on the e-learning platform)

WEEK ONE (5th to 9th February)			
Monday	5th February 2024	8:30 – 09:45	Orientation Program
Monday	5th February 2024	09:45 – 10:00	Short Break
Day/Date	10:00-13:00	13:00-14:00	14:00 – 18:00
Monday 5th February	WHAT IS A PHD? UNDERSTANDING THEORY AND THEORETICAL CONTRIBUTIONS PROF MLENGA JERE	LUNCH	RESEARCH TOPIC CONCEPTUALIZATION AND OPERATIONALIZATION: PHILOSOPHICAL AND SCIENTIFIC PILLARS OF RESEARCH DR JASON MWANZA
Day/Date	09:00-13:00	13:00-14:00	14:00 – 18:00
Tuesday 6th February	CRITICAL THINKING DR JONES KALYONGWE	LUNCH	VALUE ADDITION THROUGH DOCTORAL RESEARCH DR JONES KALYONGWE
Wednesday 7th February	ACADEMIC WRITING DR JACK BWALYA	LUNCH	CONDUCTING A LITERATURE REVIEW DR CHRISTINE MUSHIBWE
Thursday 8th February	RESEARCH PROPOSAL WRITING DR JASON MWANZA	LUNCH	RESEARCH PROPOSAL WRITING EXERCISES DR JASON MWANZA
Friday 9th February	PUBLISHING JOURNAL ARTICLES OUT OF DOCTORAL RESEARCH PROF SARAH HOWIE	LUNCH	DEALING WITH NEGATIVE FEEDBACK IN DOCTORAL JOURNEY PROF M JERE (Chair), DR K. LUMBWE, PROF R. MUTEMWA, DR Y MUCHINDU, DR J PHIRI,

WEEK TWO (12th to 16th February)			
Monday 12 th February	QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH: AN OVERVIEW PROF RICHARD MUTEMWA	LUNCH	QUALITATIVE RESEARCH: AN OVERVIEW DR KAPAMBWE LUMBWE
Tuesday 13 th February	MIXED METHODS RESEARCH: AN OVERVIEW PROF GILBERT KALONDE	LUNCH	INTERACTIVE SESSION ON RESEARCH METHODS DR K. LUMBWE (Chair), PROF R. MUTEMWA, DR Y MUCHINDU, DR J PHIRI, PROF M JERE
Wednesday 14 th February	PERSPECTIVES ON THE STUDENT-SUPERVISOR RELATIONSHIP DR NATHAN MUSONDA	LUNCH	WHAT EXAMINERS LOOK FOR WHEN EXAMINING THE THESIS DR NATHAN MUSONDA
Thursday 15 th February	STUDENT PRESENTATIONS: 'YOUR RESEARCH IDEA' DR N MUSONDA (Chair), DR J MWANZA, PROF M JERE, DR Y MUCHINDU, DR K LUMBWE, PROF R MUTEMWA, DR J PHIRI	LUNCH	STUDENT PRESENTATIONS: 'YOUR RESEARCH IDEA' DR N MUSONDA (Chair), DR J MWANZA, PROF M JERE, DR Y MUCHINDU, DR K LUMBWE, PROF R MUTEMWA, DR J PHIRI
Friday 16 th February	STUDENT PRESENTATIONS: 'YOUR RESEARCH IDEA' DR J KALYONGWE (Chair), DR J MWANZA, PROF M JERE, DR Y MUCHINDU, DR K LUMBWE, PROF R MUTEMWA, DR J PHIRI	LUNCH	STUDENT PRESENTATIONS: 'YOUR RESEARCH IDEA' DR J KALYONGWE (Chair), DR J MWANZA, PROF M JERE, DR Y MUCHINDU, DR K LUMBWE, PROF R MUTEMWA, DR J PHIRI

NOTE: In preparation for the 'Student Presentation Sessions' scheduled on the 15th and 16th of February, please send your PowerPoint presentations to Dr. Yasmin Muchindu (ymuchindu@unilus.ac.zm) by 13th February, 14:00 hours. The presentation schedule will be shared with you on the 9th February.