

APR - Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Students

The first Annual Progress Review for PhD students will take place in the 9th month of study and then every 12 months thereafter, until the final year of registration, when the Annual Progress Review will take place 6 months before the maximum registration date.

Full Time Students	Month of Study	Part Time Students	Month of Study
Year 1	9	Year 1	9
Year 2 (APR & Progression)	21	Year 2	21
Year 3	33	Year 3	33
Year 4	42	Year 4 (APR & Progression)	45
		Year 5	57
		Year 6	69
		Year 7	81
		Year 8	90

Indicative Word Counts

Students should submit written work, of at least the anticipated word counts below, at each stage of the Annual Progress Review. Where word counts are significantly below the guides given here, students should provide an outline of the work that they have undertaken.

	Subject Area	Full-time PhD	Part-time PhD
Year 1	Sciences	7,200	3,600
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities	14,400	7,200
	Arts with portfolio of work	3,200	1,800
Year 2	Sciences	18,000	7,200
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities	36,000	14,400
	Arts with portfolio of work	8,000	3,200
Year 3	Sciences	27,000	12,600
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities	54,000	25,200
	Arts with portfolio of work	12,000	4,550
Year 4 If appropriate	Sciences	36,000	18,000
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities	62,000	36,000
	Arts with portfolio of work	20,000	8,000
Year 5 If appropriate	Sciences		22,300
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities		44,640
	Arts with portfolio of work		9,920
Year 6 If appropriate	Sciences		27,000
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities		54,000
	Arts with portfolio of work		12,000
Year 7 If appropriate	Sciences		31,320
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities		58,140
	Arts with portfolio of work		13,920
Year 8 If appropriate	Sciences		36,000
	Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities		62,000
	Arts with portfolio of work		20,000

APR Activities

Full-time PhD	Suggested Activities
Year 1	<p>APR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit an APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. Outline of the proposed thesis structure 10-minute (maximum) presentation of research programme to assessors with discussion
Year 2	<p>APR and Progression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. 10-minute (maximum) presentation of research programme to assessors and discussion. Commentary on work against the proposed thesis structure Statement of anticipated contribution to knowledge An indicative references/bibliography

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statement of how the work will meet the Learning Outcomes for the award sought.
Year 3	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Evidence of thesis in draft 20 minutes of questions and answers in the style of a mock viva against the submitted written work. Commentary on work against the proposed thesis structure
Year 4 If appropriate	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Full draft of thesis Statement of how any comments/ suggested amendments from the previous year's Q&A have been addressed.

Part-time PhD	Suggested Activities
Year 1	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit an APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. Outline of the proposed thesis structure 5-minute presentation of research programme to assessors with discussion
Year 2	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit an APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. Commentary of thesis against the proposed thesis structure 10-minute presentation of research programme to assessors with discussion
Year 3	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit an APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter . Commentary of thesis against the proposed thesis structure 10-minute presentation of research programme to assessors with discussion
Year 4	APR and Progression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. Presentation of research programme to assessors Commentary on work against the proposed thesis structure Statement of contribution to knowledge Bibliography Statement of how the work will meet the Learning Outcomes for the award sought.
Year 5	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit an APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. Commentary of thesis against the proposed thesis structure 10-minute presentation of research programme to assessors with discussion
Year 6	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. 20 minutes of questions and answers in the style of a mock viva against the submitted written work. Commentary on work against the proposed thesis structure
Year 7 If appropriate	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Evidence of draft thesis. Evidence that the draft thesis is in progress– e.g. draft of the most recent chapter. Statement of how any comments/ suggested amendments from the previous year's Q&A have been addressed. 10-minute presentation of research programme to assessors with discussion
Year 8 If appropriate	APR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit APR Progress Report Full draft of thesis If available following viva, corrections & statement on progress against corrections