

GUIDELINES FOR UPGRADING MPhil TO PhD

The Upgrade Seminar documents should contain the following:

1. **Abstract**
2. **Introduction:** This outlines the objectives and rationale for the work.
3. **Literature Review:** This should be a brief summary of very current work in the area.
4. **Theory:** If this applies the student should present any hypotheses or any modifications to existing theories that are proposed. The student should also indicate how this work would be of such substance as to warrant being regarded as worthy of consideration for the upgrade to PhD. What new knowledge should also be emphasized as far as the models or theories are concerned.
5. **Methodologies:** The student should outline the proposed methods being used and or any alteration to existing methodologies.
6. **Results & Analyses:** The student should outline the major findings to date. This should indicate that substantial progress has been made and is worthy of being considered at least close to being of MPhil standard. The data collected and analysed should therefore be reasonably substantial. Some indication should be given as to the contribution of the current work to the body of knowledge and any differences or similarities with what is now known.
7. **Future work:** The student in the report should advise of the implication of the results so far and the proposed work programme required to bring the research up to that of a PhD.
8. **Bibliography/References**
9. **Length of Document:** Documents presented should not be more than 100 pages.