

## Examiner's Report on Doctoral Thesis

### Part 1 – Recommendation and Confidentiality Waiver

Candidate Name:

ID #

#### EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION

Please use this cover sheet to indicate your recommendation. Criteria for making a recommendation in respect of either "minor corrections" or "revisions" are provided in Clause 9g(ii) and (iii) of the 2011 PhD Statute, available at the following link: <http://www.auckland.ac.nz/uoac/cs-doc-phd>.

Recommendation: (only one box to be ticked)

- i The degree be awarded, subject to satisfactory performance at the oral examination.
  - ii The degree be awarded after specified minor corrections have been made to the thesis, and/or corpus of creative work, and subject to satisfactory performance at the oral examination.
  - iii The degree be awarded after revisions have been made to the thesis, and/or corpus of creative work, to the satisfaction of the Examiner or Nominee, and subject to satisfactory performance at the oral examination.
  - iv The candidate be permitted to revise the thesis, and/or corpus of creative work, and resubmit it for examination on one further occasion only.
  - v Not to award the degree, but refer the thesis to the appropriate authority within the University for consideration of the award of another degree.
  - vi Not to award any degree.
- If you have recommended either option i or ii above, please tick this box if you think the thesis should be placed on the Dean's List for excellence.**

*Note that the Dean's List is reserved for theses that are judged to be of exceptional quality in every respect including scholarship, research content, quality of expression and accuracy of presentation. A prerequisite for qualification for the Dean's List is the passing of the thesis without any requirement for more than minor corrections. Inclusion on the Dean's List, which is at the discretion of the Dean of Graduate Studies, also takes into account the timeliness of completion, and is awarded each year to the top 5% of doctoral students.*

#### CONFIDENTIALITY WAIVER

I have read the following:

#### **Guidelines for Examiners of Theses submitted for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**

Please note that your report will initially be released to those involved in the examination process, other than the candidate. The evaluation (Part 2 of the report) will be released to the candidate once the Board of Graduate Studies has approved the Examination Committee's recommendation. Part 2 of the report will also be released for the purpose of judging the Vice-Chancellor's Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis for those candidates who have been nominated.

Your name will not be released to the candidate unless you have indicated agreement by ticking the box below.

I agree to allow my name to be released to the candidate

Signed: ..... Date .....

Name:

**Part 2 – Evaluation**

***This section will be released to the candidate prior to the Oral Examination and to those candidates required to revise and resubmit***

Candidate's name:

Thesis title:

The examiner is requested to provide a report on the quality of the work, according to the following criteria. Please note that in order to accommodate your detailed and comprehensive comments, the boxes below are expandable.

**Is an original contribution to knowledge or understanding in its field.**

*(Please comment)*

**Meets internationally recognised standards for such work.**

*(Please comment)*

**Demonstrates knowledge of the literature relevant to the subject and the field or fields to which the subject belongs, and the ability to exercise critical and analytical judgement of it.**

*(Please comment)*

**Is satisfactory in its methodology, in the quality and coherence of its expression, and in its scholarly presentation and format.**

*(Please comment)*

**Additional comments:**

**Questions for the oral examination:**

**Part 2 continued – Corrections and/or Revisions**

Recommended minor corrections, if any:  
(lists of typographical errors, while welcome, are not expected)

Recommended revisions, if any (only applicable if options iii or iv were chosen above):

**Part 3 – Confidential section**

*(for any comments the examiner does not wish the candidate to see)*