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Faculty of Engineering

**GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION OF THE CANDIDATURE DEFENCE IN  
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING  
(For Engineering Postgraduate Programme)**

**PROCEDURE**

- (1) For the Master of Engineering Science, the candidate must have **completed at least 1 semester**, and for the Ph.D, **a minimum of 2 semesters** is required.
- (2) Successful **completion of the Research Methodology** course is a prerequisite.
- (3) The candidate's progress report for the previous semester must demonstrate **satisfactory** performance.
- (4) The candidate must have successfully **completed their Proposal Defence**.
- (5) For PhD Fast Track candidates, a **Confirmation Defence is mandatory**.
- (6) The candidate is required to have completed the experimental setup.
- (7) Completion of the Literature Review for the research is mandatory.
- (8) The candidate must have completed at least 20% of the overall experimental work.

**PREPARATIONS FOR PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATURE DEFENCE**

- (1) Candidature Defence Report must consist of 5,000-10,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. Abstract (500 words in Bahasa Malaysia and Bahasa English);
  - b. Objective and statement of problem;
  - c. Importance and relevance of the research;
  - d. Summary of the literature review and concise;
  - e. Research methodology;
  - f. Research results that have been obtained to date;
  - g. Concise and compact bibliography
  - h. Research plan leading to submission of the dissertation / thesis on the specified date; and
  - i. List of publications or conference proceedings which have been presented during candidature
- (2) Postgraduate Office will update the Proposal Defence result in the Maya Portal and candidates may check the results before the semester ends.
- (3) **The Cover Page of Candidature Defence Report must be verified and signed by the Supervisor(s).**