

Prospective Supervisor Form

Introduction

Supervisors are active researchers working within VU's Institutes and Research Centres. They provide guidance and support throughout your research. It is important that your proposed topic aligns with your prospective supervisor's expertise and the supervisor is confident of your capacity to complete the degree on time.

Applicants must include their research proposal and meet with their prospective supervisor (in person, by phone or video conference) to discuss their proposal.

Prospective supervisors must complete this form and the applicant must upload the completed form as part of their application for admission (*applications will not be considered if this is incomplete or not submitted as part of the application process*).

Prior to the applicant lodging the application, the following must be noted:

- The Institute makes the final determination and approval for appropriate supervision for the proposed research
- The applicant will need to meet the minimum academic entry requirements for admission. Previous qualifications from an overseas institution will be assessed for equivalence to Australian Higher Education Degrees
- The applicant must meet the English Language requirements

To Be Completed by the 'In-Principle' Supervisor

Supervisor's Name:

Supervisor's Area of Research:

Project Field of Research Code:

Applicant's Name:

Have you read the applicant's research proposal?

Yes

No

If no, please specify why:

Have you met with the applicant and discussed their proposal in person, by phone or video conference?

Yes

No

If no, please specify why:

Based on the proposal (Structure, Writing, Critical Thinking etc.) and what you know of the applicant, is the applicant likely to complete their preferred higher degree by research on time?

Yes

No

Do you support the admission of the applicant, with you as supervisor, to undertake a higher degree by research?

Yes

No

If no, please inform the applicant as to why you are unable to supervise them.

Are you confident that you will be able to secure an Associate Supervisor for the supervisory team?

Yes, within VU

Not in VU

Not at all

Further Comments *(if applicable)*

Supervisors Signature*

Date Signed

* I acknowledge this is an 'in-principle' approval and is subject to Institute approval

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