

Ph.D. thesis template

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Frontpage

- Title
- List of supervisors (main/Co-supervisors), Assessment committee

Preface (page i)

- short introduction to the PhD project
- which projects it might be part of
- where was the work conducted? Stay abroad
- collaborators

Acknowledgements (page ii)

Abstract

A one page abstract in Danish and a one page abstract in English must be included

Publications

- Title and authors of papers
- status as printed, in print (publication ref, DOI), submitted/re-submitted, in draft.
- The names must be the same as in the Appendix.

Abbreviations

Table of Contents

1. Introduction (including a short introduction to the subject, the overall objective of the PhD work, and an illustration or table of the PhD workflow and how it is linked to methods/analyses/papers) (the thesis must include one or several introductory sections in the student's own words (i.e., not re-using text from papers not solely written by the student) encompassing the following elements (not necessarily in this order):
2. Aims and hypothesis (A description of the proposed research questions in the papers).
3. Background (A critical review in which the PhD student relates his or her own work to the most state-of-the-art work within the field. The PhD student must also demonstrate that he or she has an up-to-date knowledge hereof and is able to put this knowledge into a broader perspective. The review section may resemble a major review article. general scientific background to the research area and thesis)
4. Methodology (overview of why central methods were chosen and potential problems not M&M, considerations across the PhD work/paper flow on how different methods were used/developed/changed). The detailed M&M are in the papers.
5. Results (and overview of selected illustrations and data that are not included in papers if relevant to explain why one method was rejected), can also be made as

Summary of Research and summed up per paper in the appendix + eventual additional results or any relevant pilot studies. Use explanatory titles – not exp. X. (A summary of the results and an assessment of the applied methodologies)

6. Discussion (general discussion of the results in the thesis with reference to the general literature (refer to paper no or highlight own papers when citing))
7. Conclusion
8. Perspectives

References (use [Harvard Referencing System - AU Library - Aarhus Universitet](#))

Appendix (A clear description of the student's own contributions to the work, including an outline of the student's role in writing manuscripts or papers included in the thesis)

Paper 1

Paper 2

Paper 3