

CONFIDENTIAL

**DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (DBA)**  
(This award is at level SHE6 in the National Qualifications Framework)

**EXAMINERS' REPORT to be returned to the REGISTRY  
by the CONVENOR OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE or the INTERNAL EXAMINER**

Name of Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Registration Number 

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Department/Faculty (*delete as appropriate*) \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Thesis \_\_\_\_\_

Name of External Examiner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**This form relates to the performance of the candidate. If Examiners wish to comment on the conduct of the examination itself, please attach a separate sheet.**

**Section 1:** We the Examiners have examined the above-named candidate for the degree of Doctor of Business Administration. Our conclusions are indicated below. (*Please tick each statement with which you agree*).

- A .... i) Part 1 of the thesis (stage 2 of the DBA) is a satisfactory literature review;
- .... ii) Part 2 of the thesis (stage 3 of the DBA) is a record of the candidate's original research or enquiry involving the generation of new data and leading to original insight or understanding of a specific topic within the field of study and/or an area of advanced professional practice;
- .... iii) the candidate possesses a good general knowledge and understanding of the field of study and/or an area of advanced professional practice and has demonstrated an ability to conceptualise, design and implement an appropriate research strategy and programme;
- .... iv) the literary style and presentation of the thesis is satisfactory;
- .... v) the thesis in part/in whole (*delete as appropriate*) is worthy of publication;
- .... vi) the oral examination was satisfactory;
- Or
- .... vii) the oral examination was deemed unnecessary in view of the quality of the candidate's thesis.

B We therefore recommend that (*please tick one of the following*):

- .... i) the degree be awarded;
- .... ii) the degree be awarded subject to minor amendments being made to the satisfaction of the internal examiner only / the full Examining Committee (*delete as appropriate*);
- .... iii) the thesis be revised in accordance with the recommendations of the examiners and resubmitted within 12 months or earlier (*specify*) of the date of this report: re-examination with/without oral (*delete as appropriate*) will be required and a new examiners' report will need to be completed;
- .... iv) the thesis be resubmitted after further research as indicated by the examiners and a further oral be held within 18 months or earlier (*specify*) of the date of this report;
- .... v) the degree be not awarded for the reasons fully detailed in Section 2.

EXCEPTIONALLY

- .... vi) the degree of Master of Philosophy be awarded for the reasons fully detailed in Section 2. In this case the Examiners Report Form for the MPhil Degree should also be completed;
- or
- .... vii) the thesis be amended and submitted for the degree of Master of Business Administration for the reasons fully detailed in Section 2. In this case the Examiners Report form for the MBA should also be completed.

**Section 2:** The Examiners are asked to give reasons for their recommendations. Reasons should be fully detailed where a reduced award or no award is recommended. This information may be passed back to the candidate. *(Continue on a Separate sheet if necessary).*

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Section 3:

Signature of External Examiner(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Internal Examiner(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Section 4: I confirm that the outcome of the candidate's final assessment is as indicated above and that the candidate has also completed the necessary instructional elements of the programme (Stage 1 of the DBA) to the satisfaction of the appropriate Instructional Board of Examiners.

Signature of the Examining Committee Convenor:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_