

Schedule 3 – Classification Options Available to an Adjudicator

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Classification	Short Description	Detailed Description
C1	Passed	The candidate should be awarded the degree with no requirements for amendments other than corrections of an editorial nature. Amendments are to be made within four weeks of classification and certified by an RMIT academic delegate.
C2	Passed subject to minor amendments	The candidate should be awarded the degree subject to minor amendments. Recommended amendments may include re-writing of small sections of text. Amendments are to be made within six weeks of classification and certified by an RMIT academic delegate.
C3	Passed subject to major amendments	The candidate should be awarded the degree subject to major amendments. Recommended amendments may involve substantial re-writing of parts of the thesis. Amendments are to be made within six months of classification and certified by an RMIT academic delegate.
C4	Revise and Resubmit	The candidate should not yet be awarded the degree. Substantial revisions and a re-examination (by non-RMIT certified delegate) are required before a pass can be considered. Resubmission for re-examination to take place within 12 months of initial classification.
C5	Failed	The research does not meet the criteria for the degree as specified by the University and a significant amount of additional research work and/or major substantive revision will not raise it to an acceptable standard.

3A – Adjudicator Options: First Examination

		Examiner 1 Recommendation				
		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5
Examiner 2 Recommendation	R1	N/A	N/A	N/A	C1, C2, C3, or C4	C1, C2, C3, C4 or C5
	R2	N/A	N/A	N/A	C2, C3, or C4	C2, C3, C4 or C5
	R3	N/A	N/A	N/A	C3 or C4	C3, C4 or C5
	R4	C1, C2, C3, or C4	C2, C3, or C4	C3 or C4	N/A	C4 or C5
	R5	C1, C2, C3, C4 or C5	C2, C3, C4 or C5	C3, C4 or C5	C4 or C5	N/A

3B – Adjudicator Options: Re-Examination

		Examiner 1 recommendation	
		R1	R5
Examiner 2 Recommendation	R1	N/A	C1 or C5
	R5	C1 or C5	N/A