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School of Civil and Environmental Engineering

# Masters Thesis application

Proposed Thesis Topic and Supervisor Form  
CVEN9931/9932

STUDENT DETAILS	
Student Name:	
Student zID:	
Commencing Semester:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mode of study (please select one):</li> </ul>	
<b>INTERNAL</b>	<b>EXTERNAL</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>DISTANCE</b></span>
TOPIC	
Details of your topic	
Does your project topic require Laboratory work: YES / NO	
If YES – please complete the Project Information Form found on: <a href="https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/civil-engineering/sites/civil/files/uploads/forms/projectinformationformoct14ver9_0.pdf">https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/civil-engineering/sites/civil/files/uploads/forms/projectinformationformoct14ver9_0.pdf</a>	
Student to seek approval from Academic in charge of laboratory prior to getting their project approved. See reference 1 for information.	
Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____	
STUDENT DECLARATION	
I have read and understand the important information on the front page of the this form I will notify the School Office <a href="mailto:cven.enquiries@unsw.edu.au">cven.enquiries@unsw.edu.au</a> if I drop from this course	
Student Signature: _____ Date: _____	
SUPERVISOR DETAILS AND DECLARATION	
Administrative (main) Supervisor's name:	
Joint Supervisor's name (if applicable*):	
I agree to supervise the above student for their Masters Coursework on proposed topic I agree to provide adequate supervision over the course of two semesters I agree to organise a joint supervisor if I cannot provide adequate supervision* over two semesters	
Administrative Supervisor Signature _____ Date: _____	
Joint Supervisor Signature (if applicable) _____ Date: _____	
* Administrative Supervisors are required to be available on campus for regular contact with students. If the Administrative Supervisor cannot commit to being available for two sessions a Joint Supervisor is required.	
<b>After completion of this form please lodge with the School office (Building H20 Level 4, Room 410)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students are required to find an individual supervisor and complete the form on the first page.</li> <li>If students are required to work in a lab then they required to fill in a Project Information form and seek approval from the academic in charge of the lab prior to getting their project approved.</li> </ul>	

## Reference 1

For staff contact details, see <https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/civil-engineering/about-us/staff-directory>

Laboratory Name	Laboratory Location	Academic in Charge	Other Academic Users
Concrete Lab	H22- G10	Arnaud Castel	Ali Akbar Nezhad/Stephen Foster/ Ali Amin/Ehab Hamed/ Hamid Vali Pour Goudarzi/Taehwan Kim/Ulrike Dackermann/David Waite
Concrete Durability Lab	H22 - G11A	Arnaud Castel	Stephen Foster
Materials Characterisation Lab	H22 - G21	Ali Akbar Nezhad	
Geotech Lab	H22 - G13 (East)	Adrian Russell	Arman Khoshghalb/ Nasser Khalili
Infrastructure Teaching Lab	H22 - G13 (West)	Adrian Russell/ Arnaud Castel	Kurt Douglas/Steve Davis/ Johnson Shen
Rock Mechanics Lab	H22 - G13B	Kurt Douglas	Ali Akbar Nezhad/Nasser Khalili
Geotech Lab	H20 - 210	Adrian Russell	Arman Khoshghalb/ Nasser Khalili
Hydraulics Lab	H20 - G14	Stefan Felder	Ian Turner
Water Research Laboratory	Manly Vale	Ian Turner	
Biogeochemical Engineering Laboratory (BEL)	Manly Vale	Denis O'Carroll	

### WHO IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A THESIS?

Students who have not completed a recognised thesis in their undergraduate studies or further postgraduate studies are required to complete a Thesis in their Masters Coursework program. If you are unsure if you have completed one, or if the school is not aware that you have completed one, please contact the Student Centre so an assessment can be made.

### WHAT IS REQUIRED FROM YOU?

#### 1. Find a Supervisor

**Option 1:** If you are employed and your employer is willing to nominate a topic and co-supervisor the thesis, you can choose to do your thesis in external or distance\* mode.

You will have to find an academic supervisor within the school to assist with administration and assessment. This should be academic from the appropriate discipline. Refer to link: <https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/civil-engineering/research/academic-researchers-a-z>

**Option 2:** If you are not employed or your employer is not willing to nominate a topic and co-supervise the thesis, you have to complete the thesis in internal \*mode. Browse online the selection of available topics and contact potential supervisors. Refer to link: <http://intranet.civeng.unsw.edu.au/info-about/student-intranet/master-projects>

**NOTE:** It is unlikely that this list is fully up to date and comprehensive- it is strongly advised that individual students approach School teaching staff in area(s) of potential interest, to explore a the range of possible thesis topics that may be available.

#### 2. Organise enrolment:

Once you have agreement from both your employer (option 1) and an academic supervisor, please complete this form along with a Project Information Form if you require the use of a laboratory.

**All forms must be submitted to the School office prior to Week 1 of the commencing semester.**

**\*Different modes of delivery and their requirements.**

**Internal:** This mode applies to all students who choose a topic under option 2. They have to find a supervisor internally and complete all components within the School. As part of their examination, they are required to submit an abstract and give a 15 minute seminar presentation within CVEN9932.

**External:** This mode applies to students who choose a topic under option 1, i.e. they have an external employer co-supervise their thesis. If the student resides within the Sydney basin, the student will submit a thesis abstract and be required to come to the school to give a 15 minute seminar presentation within CVEN9932 as part of the thesis examination.

**Distance:** This mode applies to students who choose a topic under option 1, i.e. they have an external employer to co-supervise their Thesis. If the student resides outside the Sydney Basin, this student will have the option to submit a poster as part of their thesis examination instead of giving a seminar presentation. Students are strongly encouraged to present their thesis additionally to their work colleagues.