

BITS College Guideline on Thesis Examination

(Please circle the appropriate number of your Recommendation)

Decision No.	Description
1	The thesis is acceptable unconditionally.
2	The thesis is acceptable subject to certain modification as specified by examiner (s). The changes should be completed and submitted by (enter date): _____
3	The thesis is unacceptable on the grounds of unsatisfactory content . The student is advised to take into account the recommendations made by the examiners and resubmit. The changes should be carried out within six months and re-submitted. The thesis shall be defended again.
4	The thesis is rejected . (circle the reason/s): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The work has been already used to confer a degree from this or another College and no extra work has been done to expand the scope and depth of the subject. The student is required to submit new thesis with the same or different advisor. ii. The work is judged as plagiarized by the examining committee and the student shall be denied the degree. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The student is suspended for one year b. The student is required to submit new thesis title with the same or different advisor.

Signature of the examiners:

External examiner: Name _____ signature _____ date _____

Internal examiner: Name _____ signature _____ date _____

Advisor: Name _____ signature _____ date _____

Quantitative grading of thesis¹

Criteria	Points/Weight	Examiner 1	Examiner 2
1. CONTENT OF THE THESIS (75%)			
1.1. Problem formulation and methodology 1.1.1. Clear Research questions (RQs)	10%		
1.2. Literature coverage	10%		
1.3. Methodology 1.3.1. Appropriate design Methodologies 1.3.2. Robust data collection & analysis/experiment/Design	15%		
1.4. Data presentation interpretation, and contributions 1.4.1. Argumentation of contributions (Are RQs answered?) 1.4.2. Ability to analyze & discuss results to draw conclusions 1.4.3. Contribution to body of knowledge (<i>Theoretical as well as practical</i>) 1.4.4. Originality of the work	25%		
1.5. Format and overall organization 1.5.1. Coherence between different parts 1.5.2. Care for details (layout, neatness, etc.) 1.5.3. Composition, structure, use of language 1.5.4. Consistency 1.5.5. Readability (clarity of thought) 1.5.6. Layout, images & Tables (usefulness, added value)	15%		
2. DEFENSE (25%)			
2.1. Presentation 2.1.1. Presentation skill 2.1.2. Effectiveness (Message coming across) 2.1.3. Insight in subject matter 2.1.4. Time management	10%		
2.2. Response to questions 2.2.1. Confidence 2.2.2. Understanding questions 2.2.3. Relevance of responses	15%		
Total	100%		

Excellent (85% and above)
Satisfactory (50-64%)

Very good (75-84%)
Fail/ Reject (<50%)

Good (65-74%)

Signature of the examiners:

External examiner: Name _____ signature _____ date _____

¹ **Note:** This quantitative breakdown applies ONLY if there is disagreement between the two examiners.

Internal examiner: Name _____ signature _____ date _____