



Research Degrees Statement of Agreement

These guidelines should be read in conjunction with Policy AB-58: [Research Degrees](#), Procedure AB-58 P1: [Research Degrees Admission and Enrolment](#), and Procedure AB-58 P3: [Research Degrees Student Progression](#).

A. Statement of Agreement Overview

1. The Statement of Agreement is negotiated between the research degree student, Principal Supervisor and Research Degree Coordinator to document specific and negotiated expectations, responsibilities and roles that each party has. It also records individual tasks/milestones that are agreed upon.
2. The Statement of Agreement forms the basis of all future Reviews of Progress.
3. The Statement of Agreement should be signed by the Dean of Research (or delegate) to approve the individual plan for the research degree student or if another course of action is required.

B. Statement of Agreement

4. The Statement of Agreement should include:
 - a. an induction in the [Australian Code for Responsible Conduct of Research](#)
 - b. ethics approval requirements
 - c. rules on plagiarism and copyright
 - d. the University's [Authorship Policy](#)
 - e. negotiated research development and training, including *EDGE* activities
 - f. agreed supervisor/student involvement
 - g. [Intellectual Property policy](#) and requirements, and
 - h. the research degree student's Individual Research Plan for the period of their candidature, including a Statement of Minimum Resources signed off by the Executive Dean (or authorised person) and approved by the relevant Dean of Research (or delegate).