Green TRIBOS (Coimbra) Dual Award: Leeds Examination Arrangements

Overview

A Dual Award is a research degree delivered jointly in collaboration with another university, which leads to two separate PhD awards: one from Leeds University and the second from the collaborative/partner Institution. This document summarises the examination arrangements for the University of Leeds component of the Dual Award PhD with the University of Coimbra. This should be read in conjunction with the Guide to the thesis examination process. Each dual award also has its own programme of study entry.

Partner Institution

- University of Coimbra

Learning Outcomes

- The learning outcomes for the University of Leeds award are published in the Programme of study

Dual Award Examination Summary

- By agreement with Coimbra University, each PGR will be assessed wholly through the standard University of Leeds arrangements.
- Each PGR must submit a Thesis to the University of Leeds which meets the standard University arrangements. This may be by an alternative format by published papers according to the Faculty of EPS Protocol.
- The Leeds Thesis Examination will be carried out as a closed Viva according to Leeds regulations.
- By approval of the Graduate Board's Progression and Examinations Group, there will be two Internal Examiners, one from the University of Leeds and one from Coimbra University, and one External Examiner.
- The Examiners will assess the candidate for award wholly against the University of Leeds Regulations for the Award of PhD.
- Coimbra University will recognise the outcome of the University of Leeds award entirely for the award of the Coimbra University doctoral degree.

Leeds: Examination Entry

- At least 3 months before the planned date of thesis submission to Leeds, the PGR must enter for examination using the GRAD examination entry workflow.
- There will be two Internal Examiners, one from the University of Leeds and one from Coimbra University, plus one External Examiner.
- For GRAD purposes it will be necessary for the Supervisors to record the Coimbra Internal Examiner as a second External Examiner, but Doctoral College will ensure that there appointment is as a second Internal Examiner.
- The Coimbra Internal Examiner will be required to complete the University of Leeds Role of the Internal Examiner training and will be provided with a briefing by the
Director of PGR Studies before the viva. Doctoral College will facilitate these arrangements at the point of examination entry.

Leeds: Thesis submission
- The length and format of the thesis submission are expected to fall within the standard University arrangements, as set out in the Guide to the thesis examination process. This may be by an alternative format by published papers according to the Faculty of EPS Protocol. The thesis must be written in English.
- The thesis must be submitted to GRAD as set out in the Guide to the thesis examination process.

Leeds: Viva
- The viva will fall within the standard University of Leeds arrangements, as set out in the Guide to the thesis examination process.
- The Leeds viva must be in English.
- The recommendations and outcomes available to the examiners after the viva fall within the standard University arrangements, as set out in the Guide to the thesis examination process.

Leeds: Award process
- The award process will fall within the standard University of Leeds arrangements, as set out in the Guide to the thesis examination process, including, consideration of the examiners’ report by the Progression and Examinations Group, completion of any corrections to the satisfaction of the Internal Examiner and submission of the final eThesis to White Rose Etheses Online.
- The University of Leeds will report the outcome of the examination to the University of Coimbra for their award purposes.

Leeds: Certificate
- The University of Leeds degree certificate and Diploma Supplement and Statement will indicate that this is a Dual PhD delivered in collaboration with a second and named university.
- Candidates who meet the learning objectives and assessment requirements of one institution but not the other will be granted a single award by that institution but will not be eligible for the Dual Award.

Further Guidance
- Guide to the thesis examination process.
- Dual award programme of study entry.
- Advice can be sought from the Programme Lead for the Dual Award or the Graduate School.

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