

# FMHS Prep Year 1 Milestones

Tygerberg Doctoral Office



January



## MOU/NDA

**Academic environment assigns supervisor(s) on acceptance.**

Successful applicants receive an entry email and should submit their signed MOU/NDA documents within 2 weeks of receipt of the email.

February



## REVIEW CONFIRMATION

- Supervisor confirmation
- Completed Form A3 review checklist
- Summary report by chair/all reviewer reports
- Turnitin report
- Final, edited proposal

March



## DRAFT PROPOSAL

Students should enter into regular contact with their supervisor(s) with the aim of submitting their draft proposal as soon as possible.

April



## REVIEW PROCESS

Within **6 MONTHS**, students should complete a faculty proposal review process and submit documents to [tyg-phd@sun.ac.za](mailto:tyg-phd@sun.ac.za).

May

June



## ETHICS PROCESS

Continue right away to apply for ethics approval to the most suitable Research Ethics Committee within SU:

- ACU
- BES
- HREC
- SBER

July



## ETHICS CONFIRMATION

On receipt, submit formal ethics approval letter bearing student name to [tyg-phd@sun.ac.za](mailto:tyg-phd@sun.ac.za). While waiting on this, you are welcome to begin drafting your dissertation.

August



## GOVERNANCE

The acceptance pack will first serve at the Committee for Postgraduate Research, then the Faculty Board, and finally at Senate. The whole process takes approximately **3 MONTHS**.

September



## DATA COLLECTION

Once you have received ethics approval you should start your research activities as soon as possible. An acceptance pack will be prepared for Senate approval.

October



## PROGRESS REPORTS

An annual progress report will be requested in October. Pre-ethics students will need to complete a form, and post-ethics students' supervisors will be asked to complete an online form.

November



## REGISTRATION CHANGE

Your registration will be converted from the preparatory module to the relevant PhD programme once you have completed the milestones outlined above.

December

**Please click here to visit our website for more information**

*This is an informal visual aid. Please consult the SU Yearbook (and FMHS Guidelines) for official programme requirements.*