

Research Proposal and Thesis

Overview:

The master's thesis is an essential academic requirement for earning the degree. It is approved by the Department Council and the Deanship of Graduate Studies in accordance with university regulations.

Research Proposal:

A formal document that outlines the planned research, including the topic, rationale, objectives, and methodology. It demonstrates the student's ability to design a feasible and meaningful study within the MSc program's timeframe and standards.

Thesis:

An in-depth academic research project that executes the plan outlined in the approved proposal. It includes the collection, analysis, and discussion of data to answer the research questions posed in the proposal and to contribute new knowledge to the field of physical therapy.

Please see the **Student Manual** and the **Deanship of Graduate Studies website** for detailed steps on the submission of the proposal and thesis:

-  [Student Manual \(Program Guide\)](#)
 -  [Deanship of Graduate Studies – King Saud University](#)
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Advisors and Supervisors

Academic Advisor:

Assigned at the beginning of the program to guide students academically, monitor progress, and assist in resolving any academic or administrative issues.

Thesis Supervisor:

A faculty member appointed by the department and approved by the Deanship of Graduate Studies to supervise the student's research. Main responsibilities include:

- Ensuring the research is original, scientifically sound, and aligned with the student's field.
- Holding regular meetings (at least once every three weeks).
- Reviewing written work and providing constructive feedback.
- Upholding research ethics and scientific integrity.
- Submitting periodic progress reports to the department.
- Coordinating thesis discussion procedures and revisions.
- Encouraging the student to participate in research activities and conferences.

Co-Supervisor (if applicable):

Appointed to assist the main supervisor and may oversee a specific part of the thesis.