

Phd Progress Report 2012

Annual progress report for PhD-candidates at Faculty of Information Technology, Mathematics and Electrical Engineering.

The Faculty is in a continuous process of improving our facilitation of the PhD program. The annual reporting is partly a self-assessment by the candidate, the supervisor's observations of the candidate's progress and if necessary on how this can be improved, and partly a measure to collect related experiences and to make general improvements for all.

This years report follow-up the [Norwegian Qualifications Framework](#) for the PhD-studies.

You may request an individual meeting, the Faculty administration will then arrange for the meeting.

All information will be handled confidentially. Aggregated data from the reports will be followed-up by the Faculty's Research Committee. Any individual support will be followed-up by the Department.

Follow link for more information on the [Process, Annual report 2010 and 2011, and preview of PhD progress report and supervisors report forms for 2012.](#)

We appreciate your participation and sharing of experience.

NB!

Most questions are multiple choice. Some questions are answered by default values. And a few questions may only be relevant for some of you, based on the answers given in the form.

There are 37 questions in this survey

PhD Candidate

1 PhD Candidate's name: *

Please write your answer(s) here:

Given name:

Surname:

Department:

2 E-mail: *

Please write your answer here:

About the Supervisor

Supervisors name, department/unit and email address.

3 Name of main supervisor:

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Please write your answer(s) here:

Given name:

Surname:

Department / Unit:

4 How many supervisors are appointed related to your PhD thesis? *

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- 1
- 2
- 3 or more

Include both main supervisor and co-advisors.

Professional Assessment

5 Is the collaboration with the supervisor satisfactory? *

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

6 How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?

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Please choose **only one** of the following:

- weekly
- Monthly
- Regularly, but less than every month
- Rarely, but every semester
- Have not had any contact in the past semester
- Implement administrative procedure!*

NB! By selecting "**Implement administrative procedures**" the faculty administration will take the initiative to clarify your status regarding the PhD-study. You will be given the opportunity to add comments before the report is completed.

Academic training

7 Have you participated in the Faculty's PhD Introduction seminar? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

8 Is your research plan approved? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

9 When was your research plan last revised? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | Not revised | Not relevant |
| Within the last | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

10 Have you passed all planned courses, mandatory and elective courses? *

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

Specify courses that have been planned, but not complete in question 11.

Academic Assessment

14 In the guidance received in the past year, to what extent have you been discussing... *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT A6'Implement administrative procedure!' at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	1: not discussed	2	3	4	5: very thorough	Not relevant
Direction and content of the research work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Promotion of early and frequent (if relevant) publication and participation in conferences	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Introduction to international research partners	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discussions of choice of method and approach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reviewing industrial and social implications of the research work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Exercising research with professional and ethical integrity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Grade your answer on the scale from 1(not discussed) to 5 (very thorough).

15 Have you had a midway evaluation? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT A6'Implement administrative procedure!' at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

The midway evaluation is arranged for and established at Department for Computer and Information Science and Department for Telematics, optional for the other departments.

16 Do you have comments to your scientific cooperation related to the supervision?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT A6'Implement administrative procedure!' at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please write your answer here:

E.g. mention 2 things you think gives you a very good benefit in context with the supervision, and 2 things that for your part will contribute to an improved academic progress.

Progress, publication and ethics in research

17 Progress report, self-assessment related to your research plan, research activity and list of publications:

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please write your answer here:

Briefly assess your own progress in relation to the research plan, progress in research activity and publication. Publications i.e. relevant scientific contributions, e.g. proceedings (conference papers) or scientific articles in Journals.

NB! If a complete list of publications are registered in Cristin (Current Research Information SysTem In Norway) check the box below. It is then not required to include the list of publications in this progress report.

18 Is your registration in Cristin a complete list of your scientific publications?

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

[Cristin](#) (Current Research Information System in Norway)

19 How many scientific papers have you registered in Cristin since the start of your research education?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please write your answer here:

Number of relevant scientific papers relates to the total period of your research education.

20 Have you written any scientific papers for publishing in 2011?

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Publications i.e. relevant scientific contributions, e.g. proceedings (conference papers) or scientific articles in Journals.

21 Have ethical challenges arised, or do you find it likely that such challenges may arise related to your research?

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT A6'*Implement administrative procedure!*' at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

Research projects and PhD theses are to be conducted according to the same ethical standards that would apply for professional / senior researchers in the field, e.g. special topics, personal data, use of confidential information etc.

Have you experienced unethical conduct: plagiarism; unfair/unacknowledged assistance; multiple submission / dishonest reuse of own material; fabrication; unauthorized collection and disclosure; research with harmful effects; incorrect co-authorship; corruption?

If you are in doubt, please contact your supervisor or the Faculty.

For your information: Information on research ethics in general can be found at the [ethics-portal](#)

22 Briefly describe the ethical challenges:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was Y'Yes' at question '21 [p19]' (Have ethical challenges arised, or do you find it likely that such challenges may arise related to your research?) *and* Answer was NOT A6'*Implement administrative procedure!*' at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please write your answer here:

semester)?

1: No
activity

2:

3: "norm"

4:

5: High
activity

Not
relevant

26 Have you during the PhD-study stayed at a university abroad? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

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How many months have you stayed abroad?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?) *and* Answer was 'Y'Yes' at question '26 [P22b]' (Have you during the PhD-study stayed at a university abroad?)

Please write your answer here:

If you are staying abroad, please indicate the complete number of months of your stay.

28 Have you planned for a stay abroad? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?) *and* Answer was 'N'No' at question '26 [P22b]' (Have you during the PhD-study stayed at a university abroad?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

29 Is the organization of the stay discussed with the supervisor (and if relevant with the department)? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?) *and* Answer was 'Y'Yes' at question '28 [p22b_n]' (Have you planned for a stay abroad?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

Completion

30 PhD candidate's starting date:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please enter a date:

Date is set by default according to registration in FS (current student database).

31 Expected date for completion:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please enter a date:

Date is set by default according to contract and delays (leaves) registered in FS (student database).

32 In your opinion what is the most realistic date for nomination of your thesis? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please enter a date:

Enter a date (dd.mm.yyyy) for when the nomination of thesis to the Department may be sent.

For your information:

Nomination is made at least 3 months prior to the defence. The doctoral candidate must submit an application to the Department to have his/her thesis examined. Nomination should be made in cooperation with your supervisor. If approved the Department sends the application form, with accompanying letter, to the faculty including suggestions for members in the examining committee.

33 Do you assume that you will be able to complete the doctoral degree with the original financing plan? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

34 Do you have funding for the completion of the doctoral degree?

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was N'No' at question '33 [p26]' (Do you assume that you will be able to complete the doctoral degree with the original financing plan?) *and* Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

35 Do you work full-time with your PhD?

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Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was NOT *A6'Implement administrative procedure!* at question '6 [p12]' (How often do you have academic discussions with your supervisor?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

36 Final remarks: - Is there anything else you would like to report?

Please write your answer here:

Share your good or less good experiences related to the research education.

Those who have checked for "**implement administrative procedures**" in question 6, please describe briefly your status regarding the research education.

37 Do you want the faculty to set up a separate meeting concerning your PhD-study?

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Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

The Faculty administration will contact you for an initial meeting.

Thank you for your participation,

The progress report will be followed-up by the Department and Faculty's Research Committee.

Best regards,

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Vice-Dean on Research

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Submit your survey.

Thank you for completing this survey.