

## Ph.D. Evaluation of the Thesis

In the Ph.D. thesis, composed of a collection of articles, all articles must be written in English. Students should review the University regulation codes (please check with your advisor for details).

Student may request to submit the thesis in the format of a collection of articles. A student is entitled to publish a part of his/her research while ongoing (pending advisor approval). At the end of the article, it should note that the work is part of the requirements for a Ph.D. degree at Tel Aviv University.

The student will submit 2 copies of the Ph.D. thesis which will include an abstract of the paper, the student's CV and a list of his/her publications.

### **Evaluation of the thesis:**

1. Collection of articles: The evaluation process is the same for a standard thesis
2. The advisor will forward to following documents to the students' office:
  - a. Detailed assessment including key findings and results, noting the student's original contribution to the work. The assessment will refer to the correlation of the research to the original approved proposal.
  - b. A list of recommended judges, including at least 8 researchers who can act as judges, of senior rank or above, in institutions of higher learning, who are authorized to grant the Ph.D. degree to students. A judge with close research ties to the student or the advisor cannot act as judge.
  - c. Authorization that the thesis has been proof-read and edited.
3. The division committee will appoint at least 2 experts in the field of research who, together with the advisor, will act as judges for the thesis. At least one appointee will be from outside of the faculty and he or she must be authorized to grant the Ph.D. degree to students
4. According to regulations, judges may not be appointed if they:
  - a. Collaborated on research with the student (i.e. published an article together, employed the student as a research assistance, or subordinate relationship at the campus or elsewhere)
  - b. Collaborated on research with the advisor in the past five years in a field relevant to the doctorate (joint publication, joint research grant or any other joint research project)
  - c. Were involved professionally at any stage of the writing of the research
5. The judges appointed by the committee will receive an abstract of the thesis and will be ask to confirm their appointment.
6. The Ph.D. thesis will be forwarded to the judges
7. The division of the committee will discuss the evaluation and the school/department report and will submit their recommendation to the University committee whether or not to award the Ph.D. degree.