

# **Course Syllabus**

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits	
MCOM-595	Thesis	20	
Prerequisites	Department	Semester	
None	Communications	Fall/Spring	
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction	
Required	Communications	English	
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study	
2nd Cycle	Staff	2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites	
Conventional (Face-to-face)	None	None	

## **Course Objectives:**

The main objectives of the course are to:

- perfect in the student the techniques and processes required to conduct primary academic research in an effective and professional manner.
- enable the student to make an in-depth study of a communication topic and make an original contribution in the area.
- prepare the student to do a persuasive oral presentation of their research work to a committee.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

- 1. Conduct research in an effective and coordinated manner on the topic of the student's choice.
- 2. Relate relevant media theories to the research (social, psychological) aspects of the topics under investigation.
- 3. Produce an academic thesis that will prepare the student for the next step in academic learning and achievement i.e. the preparation of a Ph.D. dissertation.

### **Course Content:**

 Researching information by the student or revisiting theoretical material associated with the thesis topic.



- Supervising and guiding (by the responsible lecturer) the student to connect and relate their thesis subject matter to theoretical principles that explain or predict communication practices.
- Analyzing other information surrounding the main topic of the thesis so that the thesis topic is properly placed in its educational /information context.
- Upon selection of research method(s), the student will carry out their research design and procedure, collect and analyze the data and complete a thesis report.

## **Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Meetings with the student to supervise and guide progress.

#### **Assessment Methods:**

Presentation of the paper to a three-member committee and discussion of the contents of the paper with members of the presentation committee.

## **Required Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Textbooks will be chosen and may vary according to the topic				

### **Recommended Textbooks / Readings:**

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