

By-Laws

Master of Science in Sustainable Crop Production (SLQF L10)

Master of Sustainable Crop Production (SLQF L09)

Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Crop Production (SLQF L08)

Board of Study Agriculture and Life Sciences Postgraduate Unit of Uva Wellassa University (PGU- UWU) Uva Wellassa University of Sri Lanka

UVA WELLASSA UNIVERSITY

BY-LAWS OF

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SUSTAINABLE CROP PRODUCTION MASTER OF SUSTAINABLE CROP PRODUCTION POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SUSTAINABLE CROP PRODUCTION

The adoption of the following policy is recommended by the Senate Standing Committee on Quality Assurance and the Senate of Uva Wellassa University.

By-Law Title: By-laws of Master of Science in Sustainable Crop Production/ Master

of Sustainable Crop Production/ Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable

Crop Production

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1. Degree Programmes

The students are admitted to Master of Science in Sustainable Crop Production (SLQF L09), hereafter abbreviated as MSc (Sust Crop Prod). However, following early exit options are available for the students.

- Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Crop Production (SLQF L08), hereafter abbreviated as PGDip (Sust Crop Prod)
- Master of Sustainable Crop Production (Course work only; SLQF L09), hereafter abbreviated as MSust Crop Prod

Following by-laws are applicable for all three programmes, as specified.

2. Programme Offering Entity

a. **University:** Uva Wellassa University

b. **Unit:** Postgraduate Unit of Uva Wellassa University (PGU-UWU)

c. **Board of Study:** Agriculture and Life Sciences

3. Minimum Admission Requirement (Master of Science in Sustainable Crop Production)

In accordance with the SLQF guidelines, following minimum admission requirements are considered when admitting students to Master of Science in Sustainable crop production degree programme (SLQF L10).

1. A Bachelor's degree (SLQF level 5), with diploma or 1 year experience in the field of agriculture

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2. A qualification of SLQF level 6 or above in the field of Agriculture Or

3. A professional qualification equivalent to SLQF level 6 or above Or

4. Completion of NVQ level 7 (B.Tech. or equivalent), with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a scale of 0-4

Or

5. Any other equivalent qualification approved by the Senate with the recommendation of Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences and Management Committee of PGU-UWU.

There are no separate intakes for the MSust Crop Prod and PGDip (Sust Crop Prod) programs. A student registered for the MSc (Sust Crop Prod) degree may, at their request and with the recommendation of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences, the Management Committee of PGU-UWU, and the approval of the Senate, be granted permission to exit early from the MSc (Sust Crop Prod) program after completing all the requirements of the degree. In such a case, the student must have acquired a GPA of at least 2.70 for the MSust Crop Prod, including the directed study component. The PGDip (Sust Crop Prod) may be awarded to those who exit early from the MSc (Sust Crop Prod) degree program after completing 25 credits of coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.50.

4. Time Limit for Completion of the Masters Degree/PG Diploma

Following time limits are applied for completion of the given degree/diploma programme.

Postgraduate Programme	Time limit (Years) from the date of registration		
	Minimum	Maximum	
MSc (Sust Crop Prod)	2	4	
MSust Crop Prod	1	4	
PGDip (Sust Crop Prod)	1	4	

The maximum duration to complete the degree is usually corresponds to the permitted duration. However, in special situations, this duration may be extended by the Senate of UWU on the recommendations of the Board of Study, Agriculture & Life Sciences and the Management

Committee of PGU-UWU on a case-by-case basis. In order to be eligible for the award of the degree/PGDip, a student must fulfil all stipulated requirements within the above specified time limits from the date of registration.

5. Medium and Mode of Instruction

The medium of instruction shall be English and all examinations shall be conducted in English. Both physical and online instruction modes (Blended mode) shall be used.

6. Registration

6.1. Registration Process

A candidate whose application for the MSc (Sust Crop Prod) degree programme is accepted shall be required to register and pay all the prescribed fees on or before the date specified by the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences. Such fees may be varied time to time with the approval of the Senate / Council. The prescribed fees are given per semester unless it is specified. There are generally two semesters per academic year. The academic year is equivalent to two semesters and it is counted from the date of registration. The registration shall be deemed to have lapsed at the expiration of its period of validity. A student whose registration has so lapsed may renew his/her registration, with the permission of the Management Committee of PGU-UWU for further period as recommended by the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences by paying the prescribed fees, provided that he/she is still eligible to be registered for the programme.

6.2 Effective date of Registration

The effective date of registration for the degree programme shall be the date of commencement of the academic year as stated in the calendar of dates of the respective academic year.

6.3 Confirmation of Admission

A letter of acceptance of admission will be issued to every student stating the effective date of registration and the date of completion of the degree programme.

6.4 Validity and Renewal of Registration

The period of registration will be started from the date of commencement of the semester. Any registration shall be valid for a period of six months (semester). It shall be compulsory for each postgraduate student to renew his/her registration every semester until the completion of the programme/ effective date of the programme which is specified under the Section 12.

Application for renewal of registration shall be sent to the Assistant Registrar/ Senior Assistant Registrar, Postgraduate Unit UWU.

6.5 Cancellation of Registration

The board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences have the right to cancel the registration of a candidate at any time, for the following reasons,

- Non-fulfillment of the requirements mentioned in the Masters/ PGDip by-laws
- Non-payment of the prescribed fees within the first two months of each semester
- Non- adherence to Rules and Regulations of the Uva Wellassa University

If these requirements are violated, the registration of the student at the UWU shall be submitted for the decision of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences. However, under no circumstances whatsoever any fees paid to the University except refundable deposits shall be refunded. This condition (non-refund of fee) also applied to the withdrawal/ postponement of registration mentioned below.

6.6 Withdrawal from a Degree Programme/ Postponement of Registration

A postgraduate student may withdraw or postpone his/her registration in writing to the Chairperson of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences giving reasons.

6.7 Changes to the Registration

A postgraduate student who wishes to make changes to his/her registration i.e. courses/subjects and degree programme shall submit such requests to the Chairperson of the Board of Study, Agriculture & Life Sciences. All changes to the registration shall receive the recommendation of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences and Management Committee of PG-UWU prior to the final approval from the Senate.

7. Credit Requirement for Coursework, Directed Study and Research

Credit requirements of the course work, directed study and research for each postgraduate programme are as specified below. One credit unit shall be the equivalent of 15 hours of lectures or 30 hours of practical work. Detailed guidelines for the directed study and the research are mentioned under the Sections 8.1 and 9, respectively. Course work, directed study and research components will be evaluated according to the guidelines specified under the Section 10.

Postgraduate Programme	SLQF	Course work and Research Requirement			
	Level	(No of Credits)			
		Course work	Directed study	Research	
MSc (Sust Crop Prod)	10	30	-	30	
				(equivalent	
				to one year	
				of fulltime	
				research)	
Early Exit Points					
MSust Crop Prod	09	25	05	-	
PGDip (Sust Crop Prod)	08	25	-	-	

8. Course Enrolments

8.1 Enrolling in Compulsory Courses, Elective Courses and Directed Study

All students are required to enroll for courses prior to the commencement of the respective semester of the Academic Year. The courses followed by a student without enrolling will not be considered for the transcripts and GPA calculation.

In order to be eligible for the award of the MSc (Sust Crop Prod), student must earn 30 credits from course work in addition to 30 credit research component. Accordingly, during the first year, candidates should complete 16 compulsory credits (08 credits in each semester), 14 elective credits (06 and 08 credits from Module I and II, respectively; 08 credits in Semester I and 06 credits in Semester II).

Candidates who request for a MSust Crop Prod (SLQF 09; exit point) are required to complete the following requirements;

- 15 Compulsory credits without the "Literature Review for Research" course
- 10 Elective Credits
- 05 Credits Directed Study

Candidates who request for a PGDip (Sust Crop Prod) (SLQF 08; exit point) are required to complete the following requirements;

- 15 Compulsory credits without the "Literature Review for Research" course
- 10 Elective Credits

Semester-wise distribution of courses offered are given below

Semester	Type of the	Credit Number		
	course/study	MSc (Sust Crop	MSust Crop Prod	PGDip (Sust
		Prod)	_	Crop Prod)
I	Compulsory	08	08	08
	Elective	08	06	06
II	Compulsory	08	07	07
	Elective	06	04	04
	Directed Study*	-	05	-

In general, the Directed Study shall be commenced in the Semester II. However, under special circumstances the approval can be granted to commence the Directed Study in the Semester I.

If a student wishes to follow extra courses exceeding the required credit limit, he/she can follow these extra courses from the Elective Courses as Audit Courses only by paying the relevant fee. Such Audit Courses shall not be considered for GPA calculations, but shall appear in the transcript.

Directed Study: MSust Crop Prod students are required to conduct a Directed Study (05 credits) in a specified area under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by the Board of Study Agriculture & Life Sciences and approved by the Management Committee of PGU-UWU. A proposal prepared according to the prescribed guidelines shall be submitted to the respective supervisor/s. The proposals shall be evaluated by a panel of examiners appointed by the Management Committee of PGU-UWU with the recommendation of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Scineces. Upon completion of the study, the findings shall be presented as an oral presentation and afterwards a directed study report shall be submitted. The same guidelines given for the thesisare applicable for the directed study report. The minimum duration for the Directed Study research shall be 500 notional hours.

8.2 Enrolling in Preliminary/Prerequisite Courses

Three Pre-requisite Courses are offered for the candidates to provide basic knowledge to start the Masters programme. Fundamentals of Crop Production course is offered during the Semester I and the other two courses (Research Methodology & Scientific Writing and Statistics in Agricultural Research) are offered during the Semester II. Pre-requisite Courses shall not be counted for GPA. Upon request, exemptions may be granted by the Board of Study for those who had followed similar courses and obtained a satisfactory grade (preferably a B grade and above) in their undergraduate studies.

8.3 Adding/Dropping courses

A student can add or drop courses only within the first two weeks of the commencement of courses with the approval of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences and Management Committee of PGU-UWU. Failed to do so, such courses will be considered as "Incomplete grade" until student completes the course.

8.4 Repeating of Courses

If a student needs to repeat a course, he/she shall complete all the components of such course. If a student fails to obtain a pass grade, he/she has to repeat the course. Only two (02) attempts are allowed to repeat a course. If a student wishes to upgrade a course, he/she can do so after enrolling for the course and if fails to obtain a higher grade at the repeat examination all originally obtained grades will be retained. Higher grade obtained for that course during prescribed period is considered for calculation of GPA. If the course to be repeated is an Elective Course, the student has the option to repeat the same course or a substituted from a new elective course under the recommendation of the respective Board of Study. A grace attempt shall be granted for any registered course unit under special circumstances considered by the Board of Study, Management Committee of PGU-UWU and the Senate. Number of credits allowed for all the grace attempts for one student should be equal to or less than six (06) credits.

9. Research Study of MSc (Sust Crop Prod)

If a student has earned 30 credits from course work component and wishes to continue the degree as MSc (Sust Crop Prod), he/she should submit a research proposal and the consent of one or more supervisors. At least one supervisor shall be a permanent member of the academic staff of FASEA. The format and guidelines for the research study component of the MSc program are detailed in the section "General Regulations and Guidelines" attached to this by-law.

10. Assessment and Evaluations

10.1 Coursework

10.1.1 Evaluation Criterion

Coursework performance is evaluated continually as Continuous Assessments (quizzes, assignments, viva voce, presentations, etc.) and at the end of the semester as End Semester *via* End Semester Examination. Continuous assessments shall be contributed to 40% and End-Semester Examination shall be contributed to 60% for the final grade.

10.1.2 Grade Point Average - GPA

The GPA of a student shall be computed as using the following formula.

GPA =
$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i} g_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i}}$$
 Where,
 C_{i} is the credit unit of the ith course,
 g_{i} , the grade point earned for the course unit, and
 N_{i} , the total number of courses

10.1.3 Scheme of Grading

Grade	Range of Marks	Grade Point
A+	≥85	4.0
A	80-84	4.0
A-	75-79	3.7
B+	70-74	3.3
В	65-69	3.0
B-	60-64	2.7
C+	55-59	2.3
С	50-54	2.0
C-	45-49	1.7
D	40-44	1.3
F	<40	0

A student has to obtain at least a "C" grade for passing a course. Candidates who obtained a lower grade than C for a particular course should repeat the course at the next immediate opportunity. If a student has obtained a C+ or B- grade for a course he/she has the option either to repeat the course to upgrade or to keep the grade as it is, provided he/she can maintain the overall minimum GPA requirement. The highest grade awarded in a repeat examination shall be a 'B'. If a student fails to complete the requirements of a course due to a medical or some other valid reason supported by evidence acceptable to the respective Board of Study, Incomplete ("I") grade will be given for that course. Such a student will be given the actual grade obtained by him/her after completing the requirements for that particular course at the next available opportunity.

10.2 Directed Study

Directed study shall be evaluated based on the oral presentation and directed study report. Panel of examiners for the oral presentation shall be appointed by the Management Committee of PGU-UWU with the recommendation of the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences. If a student fails to complete the directed study within the specified time frame or receives a grade lower than 'c' they must repeat the directed study at the next available opportunity.

10.3 Research Component of the MSc

Research performance of MSc students shall be evaluated based on the thesis, oral presentation and thesis defense examination.

10.3.1 Thesis Evaluation

The Principal Supervisor and the Co-Supervisor/s shall discuss and suggest potential examiners to the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences. However, the Board of Study shall decide the examiners. The examiners shall not be co-authors of the student's publications. At this time the potential examiners will receive a thesis title, abstract, and proposed submission date. Upon recommendation of the Board of Study, the Chairperson shall appoint three examiners (2 examiners and 1 reserve) for the thesis evaluation. The appointed examiners are submitted to the Management Committee of PGU-UWU and Senate for the final approval. When the Senate approves the proposed examiners, the examiners are then in a position to receive the thesis for examination when submitted. Award of the degree shall be based on the recommendations of the examiners.

10.3.2 Submission of Final Bound copy of the Thesis

A student whose thesis is accepted by the examination board for the award of a degree is required to make all corrections, revisions. etc., as proposed by the examiners and submit three (3) copies within three (3) months after thesis defense examination in fully bound form to the Board of Study. After the release of results two (2) copies shall become the property of the University and the other shall be returned to the student.

Specified colour and binding for the thesis must be Forest Green cover with full title of the thesis, name of the student, name of the degree offered and the year of degree. The spine shall carry the name of the student in left-hand side, the degree offered and the year on the right-hand side. The letters must be printed in gold glitter.

10.3.3 Oral Presentation and Thesis Defense Examination

A student whose thesis is accepted by the examination board for the award of a degree shall be eligible to sit the Thesis Defense Examination and he/she shall present and defend the thesis in front of a Board of Examiners. Composition of the Board of Examiners for oral presentation and Thesis Defense Examination shall be as follows:

- Chairperson of the Board of Study (Chair)
- Two examiners (examiner of Thesis and another examiner appointed by the Board of Study)
- Coordinator of Mc programme (observer)
- Supervisor (observer)
- Director PGU (If necessary)

Supervisor/s may be present as observer/s. If a member of the Board is a Supervisor of the candidate, the Board of Study shall appoint a suitable replacement. If a student fails the Defense Examination, he/she may request for another chance for a Defense Examination within one month after the 1st thesis defense examination, which would be the final one, and to be held three months after the 1st thesis defense examination.

10.4 Comprehensive Examination

Comprehensive examination shall be held within 3 months of completion of the course work requirement. Candidates who request for a MSust Crop Prod (SLQF 09; exit point) are required to complete the directed study to apply for the comprehensive examination. A student must have a minimum GPA of 2.70 to be eligible to apply for the comprehensive examination. The Board of Study shall appoint a five-member examination panel (at least one member from outside the teaching panel) for the comprehensive examination. If a student fails to obtain a satisfactory ("S") grade for comprehensive examination, another attempt is given to repeat the examination. A student who fails at both attempts shall be awarded a PGDip (Sust Crop Prod).

10.5 Absence from Examinations

A student who is unable to attend the examination due to medical reason, such absence shall be reported to the Coordinator of the Masters programme with a valid medical certificate within 14 days from the date of absence.

10.6 Examination Rules and Regulations

Rules and regulations relating to examinations in the Uva Wellassa University of Sri Lanka shall be applicable. In any examination matter, the decision of the Senate shall be the final.

11. Award of Masters degree/PG Diploma

To be eligible for the award of a MSc (Sust Crop Prod), a student;

- a. shall have earned the required 30 credits from coursework (29 credits from courses and 1 credit from "Literature Review for Research") and 30 credits from research work
- b. shall have obtained at least a "C" grade for all the courses followed
- c. shall have obtained a satisfactory grade "S" at the Comprehensive Examination and the Thesis Defense Examination
- d. shall have obtained a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.70 for coursework component
- e. shall have completed the relevant requirements within a period of five (05) academic years after the date of registration

To be eligible for the award of a MSust Crop Prod, a student;

- a. shall have earned the required 25 credits from course work and 5 credits from the Directed Study
- b. shall have obtained at least a "C" grade for all the courses followed
- c. shall have obtained a satisfactory grade "S" at the Comprehensive Examination
- d. shall have obtained a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.70
- e. shall have completed the relevant requirements within a period of four (04) academic years after the date of registration

To be eligible for the award of a PGDip (Sust Crop Prod), a student;

- a. shall have earned the required 25 credits from course work
- b. shall have obtained at least a "C" grade for all the courses followed
- c. shall have obtained a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.50
- d. shall have completed the relevant requirements within a period of four (04) academic years after the date of registration

Fall back option: A master's student who achieves a GPA between 2.50 and 2.70 or fails the directed study but meets all the eligibility criteria for the award of a Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Crop Production (PGDip [Sust Crop Prod]) may request the award of the Postgraduate Diploma at the conclusion of the coursework component.

If a student in the MSc program fails to meet the eligibility criteria for the award of an MSc in Sustainable Crop Production (Msc [Sust Crop Prod]) but satisfies all the criteria for the award of a Master of Sustainable Crop Production (MSust Crop Prod), they may request the award of the MSust Crop Prod degree.

12. Effective Date of the Degree/PG Diploma

Following effective dates are applicable for each degree/PGDip programmes.

• MSc (Sust Crop Prod) – If the thesis is accepted without any corrections or accepted with minor corrections, the effective date of the degree shall be same as the date of the submission of the thesis for examination.

If the thesis is accepted with minor corrections but the revised thesis is not submitted within one month, the effective date of the degree shall be the date of resubmission.

If the thesis is accepted with major corrections, the effective date of the degree shall be the date of resubmission of the corrected thesis.

- MSust Crop Prod Date of successful completion of the Comprehensive Examination
- PGDip (Sust Crop Prod) Date of successful completion of the final examination/date decided by the Board of Study under special circumstances.

13. Other Regulations

13.1 Leave of Absence

Students can take a leave of absence from their programme for maternity, personal or medical reasons. Except for emergency medical reasons, the leave of absence must be approved in advance by the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences.

Once on leave, students shall register and pay fees for the period. In general, students on leave may not make demands upon the resources of the University, attend courses or expect advice from their supervisor. The terminal date of the degree programme may be extended by the duration of the leave taken. Students on any leave of absence except maternity are not eligible to receive any fellowship/support during their absence.

The maximum duration of leave would be three months during their graduate programme except in the case of maternity or medical reasons. In case of maternity the government approved rules shall be applied while in medical reasons the physician's recommendations must be submitted to the Board of Study Agriculture & Life Sciences with the recommendation of the UWU-medical officer.

13.2 Programme Lapse

Lapsing means that a student does not pay fees or register for a period of time, without withdrawing from the programme. The leave of absence discussed under the Section 13.1 shall not be considered as lapses. Except to those cases, lapsing may be done intentionally, as when a student has passed the minimum time limit for a degree as stated under the section 4. All the lapses must be approved from the Board of Study prior to taken. As soon after returning from the lapsed status student must report to the Board of Study. Students cannot have a lapse on the term just before completion of the programme.

13.3 Attendance

The students are required to meet an 80% attendance rate for all the courses enrolled.

13.4 Academic Misconduct

The following actions/ behaviors shall be considered academic misconduct of students that gives them an unfair academic advantage or undermines the integrity of the academic process.

- *Plagiarism:* Deliberately or knowingly presenting someone else's words or ideas as one's own in any academic exercise without proper citation, whether through footnotes, endnotes, or in-text references. This includes directly copying text from s source or another student's work, as well as paraphrasing without proper acknowledgment.
- *Cheating:* Engaging in dishonest practices during examinations, tests, or assessments (Using unauthorized materials or devices during an examination, copying from another student's work or allowing another students to copy from your work, Communicating with others during an examination without permission etc.)
- Fabrication or Falsification: Creating or altering data, results, or academic records dishonestly (Inventing or modifying research data, Altering official documents, such as transcripts or grade reports, Providing false information or documents to gain academic benefits).

In all cases where a member of examiner/ supervisor is convinced that academic misconduct including plagiarism has occurred, the Board of Study shall refer the matter to the Senate through the Management Committee of PGU-UWU to take necessary actions.

14. Revision/ Amendment of By-Laws

The provisions outlined in this By-Law shall be subjected to revision or amendment as needed, based on recommendations from relevant academic committees. Proposed revision or amendments shall be reviewed by the By-Law Review Committee of UWU and approved by both the University Senate and the Council. Once approved, amendments will take effect on the date specified in the approval document, and stakeholders shall be notified through official University communication channels.

General regulations and guidelines

1. Degree Programmes

1.1. Application for Admission

Application for admission to the MSc (Sust Crop Prod) degree programme shall be made on the prescribed form available on the Uva Wellassa University website. Application calling dates shall be given by notices in the press and other appropriate electronic media. Duly filled application forms shall be forwarded to the Director, Postgraduate Unit of UWU for further processing, as applied.

The applicants are required to submit the following documents along with the duly filled application.

- I. Certified copies of the degree certificate and the detailed degree certificate/academic transcript
- II. A certified copy of the birth certificate
- III. Evidence of proficiency in English
- IV. Certified copies of any other documents to prove the eligibility to follow the course
- V. Two letters of recommendation under confidential cover
- VI. Three self-addressed stamped envelopes (22*10cm)

The candidates will be selected based on satisfactory performance at an interview conducted by the University.

1.2. Processing of Applications

The applications received by the Director, Postgraduate Unit shall be sent to the Co-Ordinator of the postgraduate degree programme and the co-ordinator shall the send the applications to the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences. Eligibility of an applicant for the admission to the degree programme will be determined by the Board of Study in Agriculture & Life Sciences. Applications which are received late or incomplete or carry false information shall be rejected. The list of names of the candidates selected for admission along with their applications shall be submitted to the Senate through the Management Committee of PGU-UWU for the approval.

Each applicant shall be informed of the outcome of his/her application in due course.

2. Guidelines for preparing the research proposal and the thesis - MSc (Sust Crop Prod)

2.1. Research Proposal

The written research proposal shall be submitted to the Board of Examiners one week before the proposal presentation. The written research proposal shall contain all the following sections:

- A 200-word abstract of the project to be implemented
- A literature review and significance of the study
- Research design and methodology
- An action plan and budget
- As applicable, evidence that an ethics application has been submitted.

The proposal presentation must be at least 20-30 minutes in duration followed by a 20-30 discussion session.

2.2. Thesis

The thesis shall consist of the student's own account of his/her research. It must provide a distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence of originality. The thesis shall be certified by the supervisor/s as embodying the student's own work. The three copies of thesis shall be submitted for examination in temporary binding. Each copy shall be type-written on clear white A4 paper (210 x 297 mm). Any standard type is acceptable but the same size and style must be used throughout the thesis. The use of bold headings and italics d=for emphasis is permitted. All typing shall be on one side of the paper only. Text should be double- spaced except block Quotations, notes foot notes, captions on table and figures, the appendix and index. These may be single spaced with double spacing between the entries. The bibliography should be single spaced but with double spacing between entries. There must be at least 50mm (2") on the left or binding edge, 20mm (3/4") on the head and tail margins and 25mm (1") on the right-hand edge every page. Other than the places specified, such as the title page, Times New Roman, Size 12, justified should be used.

Thesis can be presented as either "chapter by Chapter format" or by "series of Publications (Hybrid thesis model). More details on above formats are given in the "Thesis Guide" published by the Post Graduate Unit (PGU) of Uva Wellassa university.