

## School of Medicine Progress Review Requirements for PhD Students\*

Timepoint	School of Medicine requirement
4 months	<p>4-month report should consist of these sections in the following order:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The overall goals of your project (including a defined, testable hypothesis)</li> <li>Background/literature review in the context of your project goals</li> <li>Planned experimental approaches</li> <li>Anticipated outcomes</li> </ol> <p><i>Item b should be around 4,000 words. Items a, c and d together should be around 1-2 sides of A4.</i></p>
1 year	<p>9-month report should be based on work completed to date. It should not normally be longer than 5000 – 10000 words, plus appropriate figures, tables and references. The length of the report should be discussed with your supervisor and will vary according to the subject area. It should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>overall goals of your project (including defined, testable hypothesis)</li> <li>an introduction/review section in the context of your project goals</li> <li>a description of your results to date</li> <li>a plan of work for the remainder of your first year and for your second and third years.</li> </ul> <p>You should also include a Data Management Plan.</p>
2 year	<p>You should prepare a detailed thesis completion plan which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some figures and/or tables of results that you intend to include in your final theses. You can use these to explain and discuss your results at the meeting;</li> <li>A timetable for your third year work, indicating when laboratory/field work will be completed, and giving target dates for writing up</li> </ul>
3 year	<p>You should prepare a detailed thesis completion plan which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the status of each chapter</li> <li>deadlines for completing unfinished chapters</li> <li>target date for submission</li> </ul>

**\*Students on the Wellcome Trust DTP will have different pieces of written work for certain timepoints, please check with DTP Programme Director, Prof Colin McCowan for details.**

**\*The piece of work required for the 5 month progress review for MSc students is under review by the PGR Committee, and will be circulated to relevant students shortly.**