

SUB-FORM-01 Thesis Submission and Release Form



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- What you did;
- What you found;
- The significance of what you found out.

Hypothetical examples follow:

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John Jones investigated the vulnerability of household residents in the greater Townsville region to tropical cyclone and storm surge hazards. He found that both vulnerability and community awareness varied significantly amongst townships and communities. Emergency services in North Queensland are using the results of his study.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	We have viewed the iThenticate report and are happy with the result.

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