## FINAL THESIS REPORT RUBRIC – I – MIE498H1/Y1

## Student Name:

Student Nam	e:				Supervisor:	Grade:	/100
Component	1	2	3	4	Requirement	Comments (Use back if necessary)	
Introduction					Establishes context necessary to facilitate thorough understanding of thesis work in a concise manner		
					Establishes a clear research gap/design problem, makes a convincing case for the significance of proposed research work		
					Identifies goal for thesis work that explicitly addresses this gap/problem; provides clear purpose statement		
Literature Review / Background					Explains theoretical concepts important to understanding of thesis work		
					Identifies, summarizes, and synthesizes relevant research in constructing an understanding of current state of field		
					Enables deeper understanding of research question/design problem through analysis of research in the field, indicating a path for moving research forward		
Methods and Findings					Describes methods or design in sufficient detail to enable understanding of work done		
					Provides justification for methods chosen or design decisions made		
					Results displayed clearly in organized manner, using appropriate figures or graphics; key results highlighted		
Discussion and Conclusions					Engages with and explains results intelligently		
					Identifies key claims to be drawn from results of research or design evaluation, qualifies them appropriately		
					Outlines significance of research done, identifies potential future work that arises from thesis work		
Overall Document Design:					Abstract concisely summarizes purpose, methods, key results of research, and presents conclusions clearly		
					Document length, formatting, structure meets stated requirements, and specific demands of thesis topic		
					Organized well, with content in discrete and appropriate positions in paper, structure clearly laid out, transitions that create flow in document		
					Demonstrates grammatically correct, coherent prose that concisely and clearly communicates complex topics in well designed paragraphs and sentences		
					Uses and integrates well-designed visuals effectively to communicate key concepts / results		
					Provides clear attribution of ideas throughout paper using a known referencing standard; uses references effectively to help establish context, back claims, or justify decisions		
Project Experience					Work has contributed to scholarship in field / made a measurable impact		
					Demonstrated initiative, ability to work independently, time management skills and ownership of work throughout thesis project		
					Thesis work posed a significant challenge, requiring superb engineering & scientific knowledge and skills		
					Quality of effort and thesis work indicative of potential for future research success		
					Has incorporated feedback and additional research on initial deliverables to improve final thesis document and work		

\*1 - Fails (0-60%); 2 - Adequate (60-70%); 3 - Good (70-80%); 4 - Exceeds expectations (80-100%). These numerical equivalents are only approximate; final grade and value of each component is up to the supervisor.

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