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PREAMBLE

The Institute of Postgraduate Studies (IPSiS) of Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) has created this handbook on the Guidelines for Thesis/Dissertation Format of Graduate Programs to assist students in preparing their thesis/dissertation in accordance with UiTM Thesis/Dissertation Style. It was initially developed based on the 6th Edition of American Psychological Association (APA).

The development of these guidelines would not have been possible without the invaluable contributions of those involved in the original 2013 version of the guideline and the revised 2017 version that is supported by the MS Word Template.dotx developed by MZJ Formatting Method team.

It is also deeply grateful to the new contributors who dedicated their time and knowledge to revising and updating these guidelines. Their efforts have ensured that these guidelines remain relevant as the thesis's language is now expanding to Malay and Arabic language which affecting the MS Word template handling and formatting.

In this 2024 edition guideline, a few minor modifications to the styles and formats are made in line with the evolved MS Word UiTM Thesis Template to assist the students in preparing the final thesis either in English, Malay or Arabic language.

The following are the thesis/dissertation formatting and submission processes guidelines that must be taken into consideration:

- Technical Specification
- Layout and Arrangement of Contents
- Body of Thesis/Dissertation
- Reference Materials
- Writing Conventions
- Quality and Integrity of the Thesis/Dissertation
- Appendices

1. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

1.1 Length of Thesis/Dissertation

Total number of words for the Doctoral/Master's thesis is based on the MQA programme standard and listed in APPENDIX A for each faculty. The total number of words does not include endnotes, quotations, appendixes, tables, and diagrams.

1.2 Organizational Structure and Format

Students are to adhere to the following organisational structure and format:

i. **Font**

Times New Roman typeface should be used. Title should be set in upper case, bold, 14-font size. Block quotations and footnotes should be set in 10-font size. The abstract, acknowledgement, and the main body of the thesis/dissertation should be set in 12-font size.

ii. **Heading and Subheadings**

- Main Heading
Flushed left, bold, Title Case/Capitalize Each Word, font 12.
Example:
1.1 Background of Study
- Sub-Heading
Flushed left, bold, Title Case/Capitalize Each Word, font 12.
Example:
1.1.1 Role of an Effective Leader
- Sub Sub-Heading
Flushed left, bold, italics, Title Case/Capitalize Each Word, italic, font 12.
Example:
1.1.1.1 Leader as a Facilitator

Note: Limit to 4 levels of heading if possible in the text.

iii. Margins (Body of the Thesis)

A margin is the amount of blank space from the edge of the page to any print, be it a heading, page number, figure, or text. The finished manuscript must have the margins indicated below. Margin requirements extend to tables, figures, and material in the appendix. A proper setting of the printer is required to ensure the final manuscript is printed as specified. You may want to use a ruler to measure the actual margins since interfaces between computers and printers can vary the measurement of the margins. Note that all margins must be specified as follows:

Left margin	3.8 cm or 1.5 inches
Right margin	2.5 cm or 1.0 inch
Top margin	2.5 cm or 1.0 inch
Bottom margin	2.5 cm or 1.0 inch

iv. Paragraphs and Line Spacing

The first line of all paragraphs should be indented one-tab key from the left-hand margin. The main body text should be justified. In the main body, use 1.5-line spacing. Leave a 1.5 line spacing before a heading. Do not leave a line between paragraphs.

v. Pagination

Page numbers should be placed at the bottom of the page and centred. Each page in the thesis/dissertation, from the body onward, should be numbered in consecutive order. This includes the text, references, and appendices. Preliminary pages carry lowercase Roman numerals (i, ii, iii, etc.). The first page of CHAPTER 1 marks the starting of pagination in Arabic numerals (1, 2, 3, etc.)

vi. Layout and Arrangement of Contents

For the following, refer to the appendices:

- Title Page (APPENDIX D)
- Confirmation by Panel of Examiners (APPENDIX E)
- Author's Declaration (APPENDIX F)
- Abstract (APPENDIX G)
- Acknowledgement (APPENDIX H)
- Table of Contents (APPENDIX I)
- List of Tables (APPENDIX J)
- List of Figures (APPENDIX K)
- List of Plates (APPENDIX L)
- List of Symbols, (APPENDIX M)
- List of Abbreviations (APPENDIX N)
- List of Nomenclatures (APPENDIX O)

vii. Chapters, Tables, Figures and Plates

a) Chapter

Chapters are numbered using Arabic numerals, e.g. "CHAPTER 1, CHAPTER 2, CHAPTER 3".

b) Figure

Figures include maps, charts, diagrams, drawings, etc. Each of these categories is numbered according to chapters using Arabic numerals throughout the thesis.

c) Table

Tables are numbered by chapters using Arabic numerals.

d) Plate

Plates are printed images, photos and are numbered by chapters using Arabic numerals.

Note: Refer to APPENDIX P, page 45.

viii. Equations and Formulae

Every equation should be centred and numbered continuously, according to the chapters and in parentheses “()” aligned to the right. Font size of 12. Refer to Section 5.1 for writing conventions.

Note: In MS Word, insert a table with two columns and one row to add a new equation to the thesis. Refer to APPENDIX P, page 45. Remove the outline (dashed-line) of the table.

ix. Suggested Body of Thesis/Dissertation

The body of the thesis/dissertation is made up of a number of chapters. The major chapters of the thesis/dissertation should include **but not limited** to the following:

Science and Technology	Social Science and Business Management
Introduction Literature Review Research Methodology Results Discussion Conclusions and Recommendations	Introduction Literature Review Research Methodology Findings & Analysis Discussion Conclusions and Recommendations

1.3 Citation and Referencing

i. Citation and Referencing Styles

It is recommended that citation and referencing for thesis/dissertation follow either the APA, IEEE, Harvard, Chicago or House style. The chosen citation and referencing styles should be used consistently throughout the thesis/dissertation. The most recent version of the referencing styles should be adopted.

ii. In-text Citations

In-text Parenthetical citation style is to be used throughout the thesis/dissertation. Parenthetical citations place all citation information within brackets, e.g. The results of this study were inconclusive (Habibah, 2022).

1.4 Thesis/Dissertation in Arabic Language

i. Keyboard Setting

- For Windows: Install and change the keyboard setting to Arabic (Arab Saudi) through Language Preference.
- For MS Word: Go to File > Options > Language. Set Arabic as the Default editing language.

ii. Eastern Arabic Numerals Setting

In MS Word to correctly display the Eastern Arabic numeral (١ ٢ ٣ ٤):

- Go to File > Options > Advanced. Scroll down to the “Show document content” section.
- Under Numeral option, set it to "Hindi".

iii. Formatting

Traditional Arabic font should be used. For more specific thesis formattings i.e. font size (the size is different from the size for Times New Roman font), refer to the UiTM Arabic Thesis Template. Font size stipulated in this guideline is only applicable for English and Malay thesis/dissertation.

1.5 Thesis/Dissertation Submission for Viva-Voce

i. Softcopy

A softcopy of the thesis/dissertation is required to be submitted for the viva-voce. The full title, the name of the author, the name of the degree, and the year of submission should be typed on the title page. (Refer to APPENDIX B and APPENDIX D)

ii. Hardcopy

Should the examiner request a hardcopy of the thesis for the examination, the thesis should be spiral-bound.

1.6 Final Copy of Thesis/Dissertation

i. Digital Thesis

Once corrections have been endorsed by examiner(s) and approval letter for final submission is issued, a softcopy should be prepared and must undergo thesis checking process. The thesis must follow UiTM thesis formatting before final submission for the degree to be endorsed in the Senate meeting.

ii. Hardcopy of Final Thesis/Dissertation

A hardcopy is an optional, however, if it is required to be produced, e.g. for student's or supervisor's personal record, the following are to be adhered to:

- **Front Cover**

A Master's thesis/dissertation should be hardbound in dark blue colour, while a Doctoral thesis/dissertation should be hardbound in maroon colour. The cover of the hardcopies must be lettered in gold.

- **Paper Quality**

Quality plain white simile paper (80gm) of A4 size (210 x 297 mm) should be used for all copies of the thesis/dissertation. Text or illustrations should be printed on only one side of each sheet or as stipulated by the Faculty. Only original quality printed copies will be accepted.

- **Cover Spine and Front Cover**

The following particulars should be lettered in gold (direction of text from head to foot), using 16-point font. Refer to APPENDIX C:

- Universiti Teknologi MARA
- Title of thesis/dissertation
- Full name of student as in NRIC/passport
- Degree acronym (refer to APPENDIX B)
- Month of final hardbound submission for binding and year of submission (e.g. July 2024)
- The full name of the Faculty

Note: **Cover Spine** is only required for the **hardbound** purpose.

2. LAYOUT AND ARRANGEMENT OF CONTENTS

2.1 Title Page

This page should contain the following information. Refer to APPENDIX D:

- The name of the University is written in full, bold, uppercase and centred using 18-point font:
- The final title used must be the one approved by the panel of examiners. It should be centred, uppercase, bold and single-spaced using 18-point size.
- Name of the author must be uppercase and bold using 14-point size.
- The degree for which the thesis/dissertation is submitted is typed in title case using 14-point font. (e.g. Master of Science, Master of Education, Doctor of Philosophy in Education) as stated in the offer letter issued by UiTM. It should be indicated that the thesis/dissertation is being submitted for either partial fulfilment or in fulfilment of the requirements for that particular degree as shown below:

Thesis submitted in fulfilment
of the requirements for the degree of
Master of Science
(Science Sports & Recreation)

Faculty of Science Sports & Recreation

July 2024

OR

Dissertation submitted in partial fulfilment
of the requirements for the degree of
Master of Science
(Science Sports & Recreation)

Faculty of Science Sports & Recreation

July 2024

- The faculty in which the student is registered is written in title case and bold using 14-point size.
- The combination of month and year of the final hardbound submission for binding is to be stated 2 cm below the name of the faculty, 14-point size and bold.

2.2 Confirmation by Panel of Examiners

The student is provided with a copy of the Confirmation by Panel of Examiners which names should be included in the preliminary page (ii). The page is signed by the current Dean of IPSis. Refer to APPENDIX E.

2.3 Author's Declaration

The student should place this page before the abstract page, a signed author's declaration stating the material presented for examination is her/his own work or how far the work contained in the thesis/dissertation was the student's own work, and stating that the

thesis/dissertation is not being submitted for any other academic award. Refer to APPENDIX F.

2.4 Abstract

The abstract should give a brief statement of the research problems, aims of the research, methodologies used, key findings in the context of the whole study, and implications of the study. It should not be less than 200 words (Master's degree) and 250 words (PhD degree) and must not exceed one page. The abstract should be typed in single spacing and placed immediately before the Acknowledgement. Refer to APPENDIX G.

2.5 Acknowledgement

A brief statement of appreciation in recognition of any special assistance rendered to the student during the period of research, should be included. All supervisors (main and co-supervisors) are required to be mentioned. It should be typed in single spacing and should not exceed one page in length. Refer to APPENDIX H.

2.6 Table of Contents

Titles of chapters, headings, and subheadings must be listed in the Table of Contents and must be worded exactly as they appear in the body of the thesis/dissertation. All headings and sub-headings are numbered and to be justified to the left. Refer to APPENDIX I.

2.7 List of Tables, Figures and Plates

- a) Tables (refer to APPENDIX J)
- b) Figures (refer to APPENDIX K)
- c) Plates (refer to APPENDIX L)

The numbers and the captions must be listed in the order they appear in the text.

2.8 List of Symbols, Abbreviations and Nomenclatures

- a) List of Symbols (refer to APPENDIX M)

- b) List of Abbreviations (refer to APPENDIX N)**
- c) List of Nomenclatures (refer to APPENDIX O)**

These must appear after the lists of tables, figures and plates.

3. BODY OF THESIS/DISSERTATION

The text is made up of a number of chapters. The major chapters of the thesis/dissertation should include but not limited to the following:

3.1 Introduction

This section sets forth the rationale, significance, and objectives of the study. It includes background of the study, problem statement, research objectives, research questions, hypotheses to be tested (subject to discipline of study), significance of study, limitations, the scope of study and definitions of terms (subject to discipline of study).

3.2 Literature Review

This section includes a fully-referenced review and discussions of previous studies which are relevant to the research.

3.3 Research Methodology

This section gives a detailed description of the research methods and instruments/materials used. Research methods should include experimental design, the number of subjects, apparatus, etc.

3.4 Results/Data Analysis

This section provides the results and analysis of data. The results obtained can be presented as a series of figures, tables, etc., with descriptive texts and discussions.

3.5 Discussion

This section focuses on the results of the study in relation to the hypotheses or the research questions. It highlights the main findings, their significance and implications. The results should be interpreted

in the light of what is already known and emphasis should be placed on what the results add to the subject area. Strengths and weaknesses of the results should be discussed.

3.6 Conclusions and Recommendations

This section highlights the contribution of the findings to new knowledge and applications. It should also discuss the limitations faced in carrying out the research and the recommendations for future research.

Students may make changes to the above structure of the thesis/dissertation according to discipline of study.

4. REFERENCE MATERIALS

4.1 References

The heading REFERENCES should be left aligned, bold, uppercase, 14-point size. This list must include all the references that students have cited in the text of the thesis/dissertation.

Students must use either the APA, IEEE, Harvard, Chicago or House style in writing their references. A thesis/dissertation should only use one citation style that is generally accepted according to discipline of study. The chosen citation style should be used consistently throughout the thesis/dissertation.

4.2 Appendices

This section may contain supplementary illustrative materials such as original data, questionnaires, formulas and quotations too long for inclusion in the text or not immediately essential to the understanding of the subject. A description of lengthy experimental methods or the list of names of participants may be included.

If the paper has only one appendix, it is labelled as APPENDIX (Uppercase, bold, centred, 12-point size). If it has more than one appendix, each is labelled with a capital letter such as APPENDIX A,

APPENDIX B etc.

Point size for the title and the text should be 12. Text should be justified. If, for example, there is more than one appendix for APPENDIX A, then it will be titled APPENDIX A1, APPENDIX A2, etc. (Refer to APPENDIX R)

4.3 Author's Profile

Students are required to include a page on their profiles with the following:

- A passport size photo.
- A short autobiography on academic achievements, working experience and professional career. It should be typed in 1.5 spacing.
- List of conferences and publications.

5. WRITING CONVENTIONS

5.1 Math

- Variables are set in italic; vectors and matrices are usually boldface italic.**
- Remove commas around variables in text.**
- Always add a zero before decimals, but do not add after (e.g., 0.25).**
- Spell out units in text without quantities (e.g., where the noise is given in decibels).**
- Numbers and units used as compound adjectives should be hyphenated only if needed for clarity (e.g., 10-kV voltage; 5-in-thick glass).**
- Use thin spaces (instead of a comma) between numbers in tens or hundreds of thousands (e.g., 60 000, 100 000, but 4000).**
- Use zeroth, first, second or ninety-ninth not 0th, 1st, 2nd or 99th in text.**
- Use the word "Equation (1)" at the start of a sentence only, but in text just use the number (e.g., "in (1)"), unless describing an equation (e.g., "refer to Darlington equation (1)"). Refer to**

APPENDIX P page 45.

- ix) The slash is used in place of the word “per” when it leads to the clarity of the sentence (e.g., “the ratio of 16 samples/s to 35 samples/s as compared to...”)**
- x) Use “indices” instead of “indexes” when referring to subscripts.**
- xi) Plural variables have an “’s”.**

5.2 Ellipsis

Ellipsis (...) may be used to show continuation in an expression (e.g., x_2, \dots, x_{16}). The type of mathematical expression will determine whether the ellipsis are on the baseline or centred.

5.3 Conditions

In displayed equations, there should be a comma or parentheses and a space between the main expression and the condition following it. For example,

- a) $X=yn^{-2}$, for all $n=3$
- b) $X=yn^{-2}$, $\forall n=3$
- c) $X=yn^{-2}$, if $n=3-y^{-4}$
- d) $X=yn^{-2}$, y_3, \dots, m

5.4 Use of Period and Commas

Equations that conclude a sentence should end with a period. The only time punctuation is used to lead into an equation when the lead-in text is a complete sentence. Example:

where we had the following:

$$x=Y+Z.$$

or, where, i.e.,

$$x=Y+Z.$$

Commas appearing at the ends of equations are deleted unless they are critical to the punctuation of the sentence containing the equation.

5.5 Displayed Equations

Certain types of material in displayed equations are automatically italic. Some simple general rules apply. All variables are italic. (e.g., x , y , n). Function names and abbreviations are Roman (sin, cos, sinc, sinh), as are units or unit abbreviations (e.g., deg, Hz.) complete words (e.g., in, out), and abbreviations of words (e.g., max, min), or acronyms (e.g., SNR). Single letter superscripts and subscripts may be italic even if they are abbreviations, unless this leads to inconsistency between

italic and roman characters for similar types of subscripts.

5.6 Direct Quotations

The quotation needs to be true to the original, quoted in the text to support argument.

Example:

Crompton (2004), confirmed that *“the real estate market consistently demonstrates that many people are willing to pay a larger amount for a property located close to parks and open space areas than for a home that does not offer this amenity.”*

6. QUALITY AND INTEGRITY OF THE THESIS/DISSERTATION

Students are reminded that consistency and accuracy of the submitted thesis/dissertation are important. Careful editing is required in order to ensure that the thesis/dissertation is free of errors before submission for thesis/dissertation examination.

6.1 Plagiarism

Plagiarising is strictly prohibited. Action will be taken in accordance to UiTM Plagiarism Policy.

Plagiarism is passing off the idea or words of someone else as though they were their own. It applies equally to the work of other students or researchers as well as to other published and unpublished sources. Students are responsible for writing their thesis/dissertations in their own words.

Quotations from published or unpublished sources and the sources of any other materials should be clearly cited and acknowledged. A systematic style of citation and references according to the chosen style of referencing must be adhered to. Sources of visual presentations such as photographs or maps must also be clearly indicated.

Students are reminded that UiTM takes a serious view on plagiarism. Before submission of the thesis/dissertation, supervisors are required to check the students' work for plagiarism using software recognized by IPSis. A copy of the Originality Report produced by the software must be submitted together with the final thesis/dissertation. If the percentage (similarity index) is higher than the acceptable level of Originality Report, students have to revise their work or face action for plagiarism, which may lead to suspension or expulsion from the programme. Reference regarding this should be made to the IPSis Academic Rules and Regulations and UiTM Plagiarism policy and guidelines for regulations pertaining to plagiarism.

Upon submission of the thesis/dissertation, students must also insert a signed Author's Declaration page declaring that the work is original and free from plagiarism.

The incorporation of any material which has been submitted earlier to a degree awarding body is also unacceptable.

6.2 How to Avoid Plagiarism

i. Copying

Nothing should be copied without explicit acknowledgement as described below under 'quoting'. This includes copying the work of other students/researchers.

ii. Quoting

Direct quotations (from a book or paper) are entirely acceptable provided that they are referenced properly:

Open and close quotation marks should be used and the sentence(s) is to be italicised. Sources should be provided in the text, using an acceptable citation style such as APA (e.g. Smith, 1986, p. 21). Details of the source should be written in the reference list.

iii. Paraphrasing

A writer paraphrases when he/she puts someone else's idea into his/her own words. Paraphrasing is entirely acceptable provided that it is acknowledged. A general rule for acceptable paraphrasing is that an acknowledgement be made in every paragraph. There are many ways in which such an acknowledgement can be made (e.g. Smith (1996) goes on to argue that or Smith (1996) provides further proof that....).

iv. General Indebtedness

This can be a difficult area. If there is any doubt, students should cite the source. If the whole manner in which a student thinks about an issue is drawn primarily from one source, then the source should be cited. If the ordering of evidence and argument or the organisation of material reflects one particular source, then this should be cited.

6.3 Ethical Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Students are advised to use AI ethically and transparently. Ensure that the tools are used appropriately (as guided by the supervisors), openly (declared use), honestly and ethically (complying with assessment rules and guidance).

6.4 Final Editing

The student is responsible for writing, preparing and submitting the thesis/dissertation within the stipulated time period.

A student should scrutinize his/her thesis/dissertation for consistency throughout the document and be critical of the content, presentation and format. The varying needs of the different disciplines may demand different lengths of thesis/dissertation but students are advised to adhere to the format stipulated by IPSis UiTM.

APPENDIX A: TOTAL OF WORD COUNTS FOR DOCTORAL AND MASTERS THESIS

Table A1 : Social Sciences & Humanities (Research)

No	Faculty / Academy / Centre	PhD		Master	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
1	Faculty of Law	80,000	100,000	40,000	50,000
2	Academy of Language Studies				
3	Faculty of Administrative Science & Policy			30,000	
4	Faculty of Art & Design				
5	Faculty of Education	70,000		25,000	
6	Faculty of Film, Theatre & Animation	60,000		30,000	
7	Academy of Contemporary Islamic Studies (ACIS)	None		None	
8	Faculty of Communication & Media Studies	50,000	80,000	30,000	
9	Faculty of Music				

Table A2 : Business and Management (Research)

No	Faculty / Academy / Centre	PhD		Master	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
1	Faculty of Accountancy	80,000	100,000	30,000	50,000
2	Faculty of Information Management				
3	Malaysia Institute of Transport (MITRANS)				
4	Azhar Ayub Graduate Business School (AAGBS)				
5	Faculty of Business & Management	60,000			
6	Faculty of Hotel & Tourism Management				

Table A3 : Science and Technology (Research)

No	Faculty / Academy / Centre	PhD		Master	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
1	Faculty of Applied Sciences	30,000	100,000	20,000	50,000
2	Faculty of Architecture, Planning & Surveying				
3	Faculty of Chemical Engineering				
4	Faculty of Civil Engineering				
5	Faculty of Computer & Mathematical Sciences				
6	Faculty of Dentistry				
7	Faculty of Electrical Engineering				
8	Faculty of Health Sciences				
9	Faculty of Mechanical Engineering				
10	Faculty of Medicine				
11	Faculty of Pharmacy				
12	Faculty of Plantation & Agrotechnology				
13	Faculty of Sports Science & Recreation				

Table A4 : PhD & Masters by Mixed Mode

Cluster	PhD		Master	
	Min	Max	Min	Max
Social Science and Humanities	80,000	100,000	30,000	50,000
Business and Management				
Science and Technology	50,000		1,000	

Table A5 : PhD by Coursework

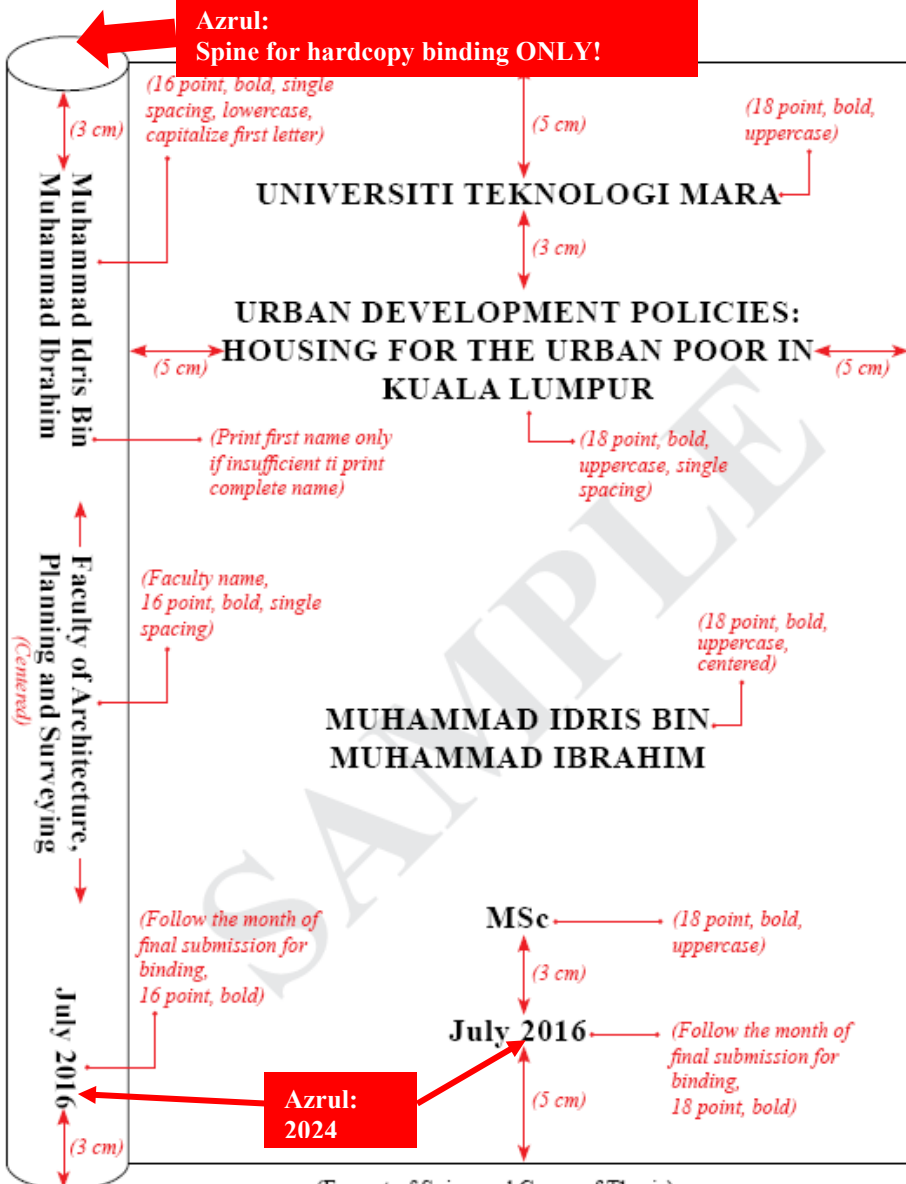
Faculty / Academy / Centre	Minimum	Maximum
All	40,000	75,000

**Azrul:
Update!**

APPENDIX B: LIST OF DEGREE ACRONYM

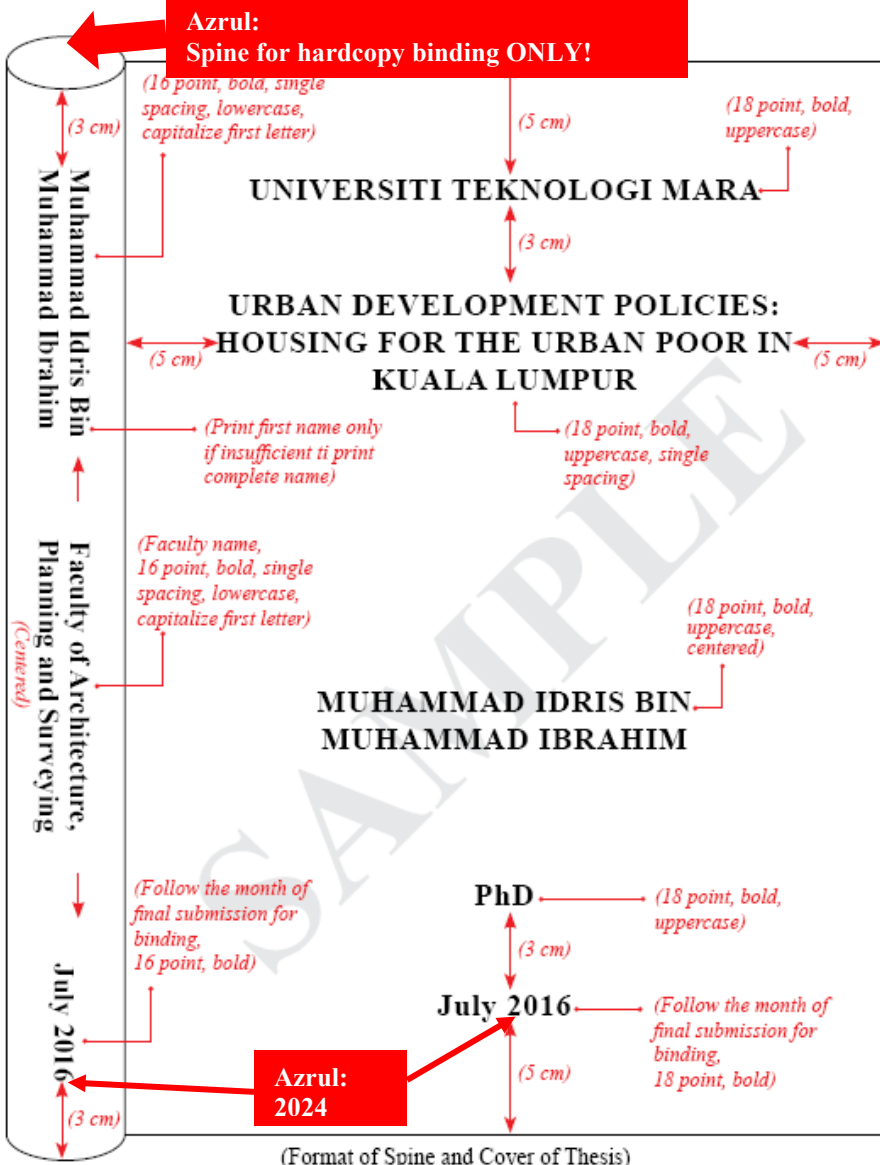
No.	Faculties	Degree Acronym
1	College of Engineering	MSc
2	College of Creative Arts	MA
3	College of Computing, Informatics and Mathematics	MSc
4	College of Built Environments	MSc
5	Faculty of Pharmacy	MSc
6	Faculty of Medicine	MSc
7	Faculty of Dentistry	MSc
8	Faculty of Health Sciences	MSc
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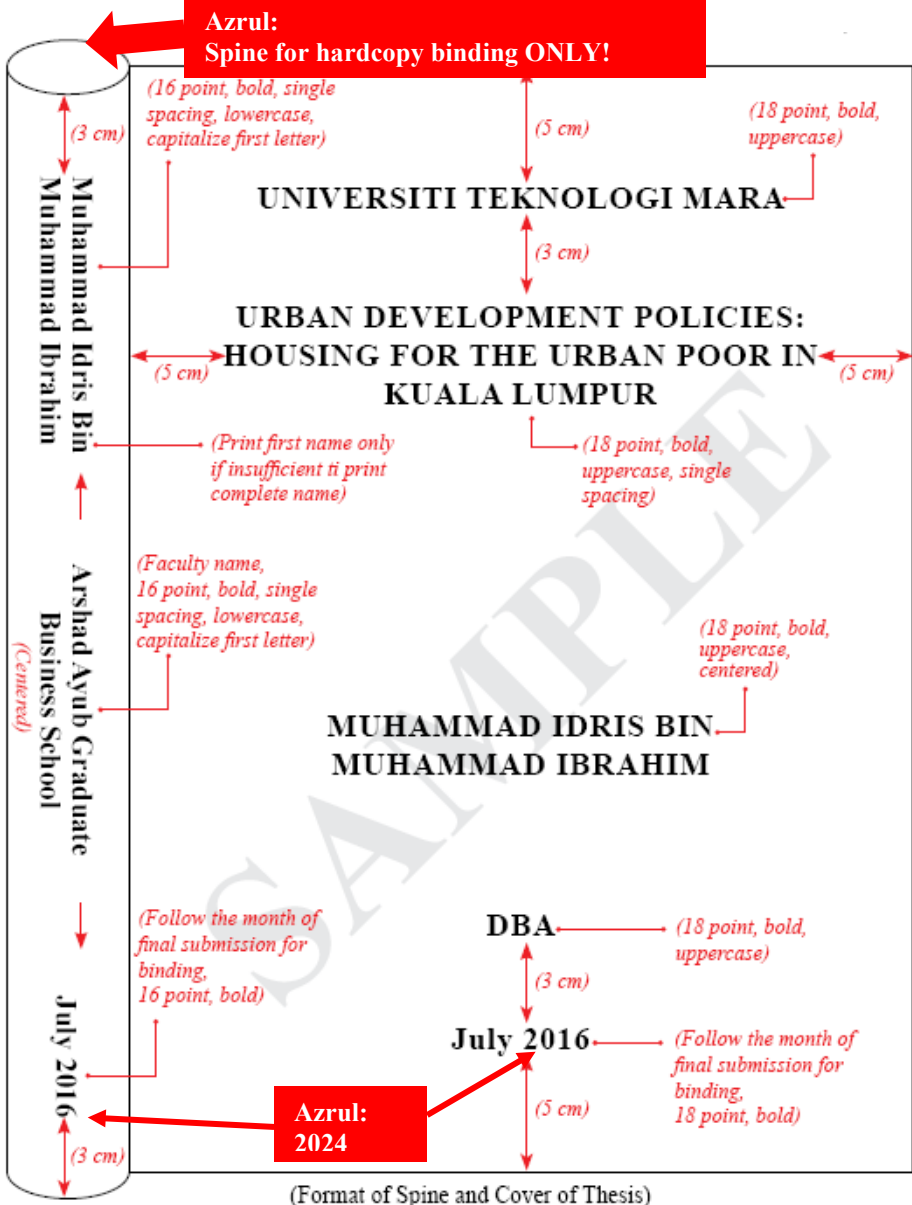


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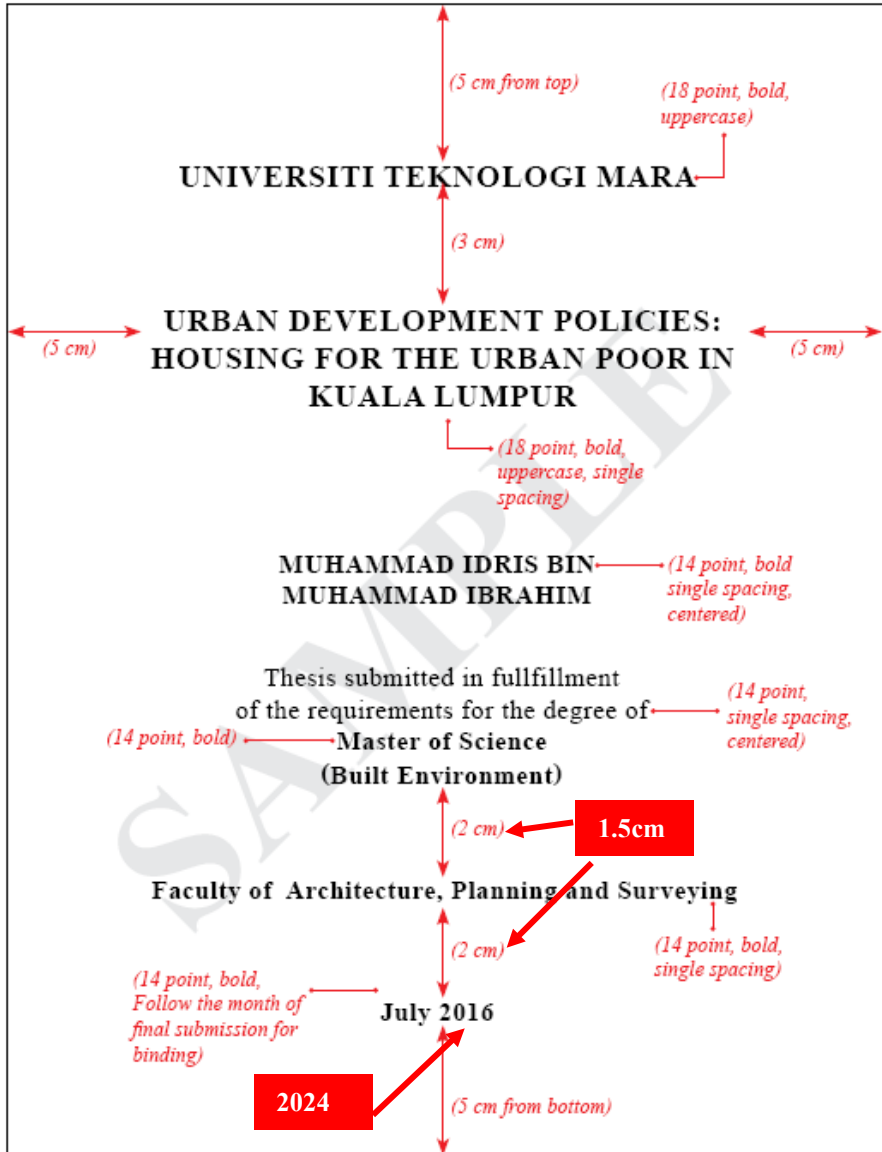
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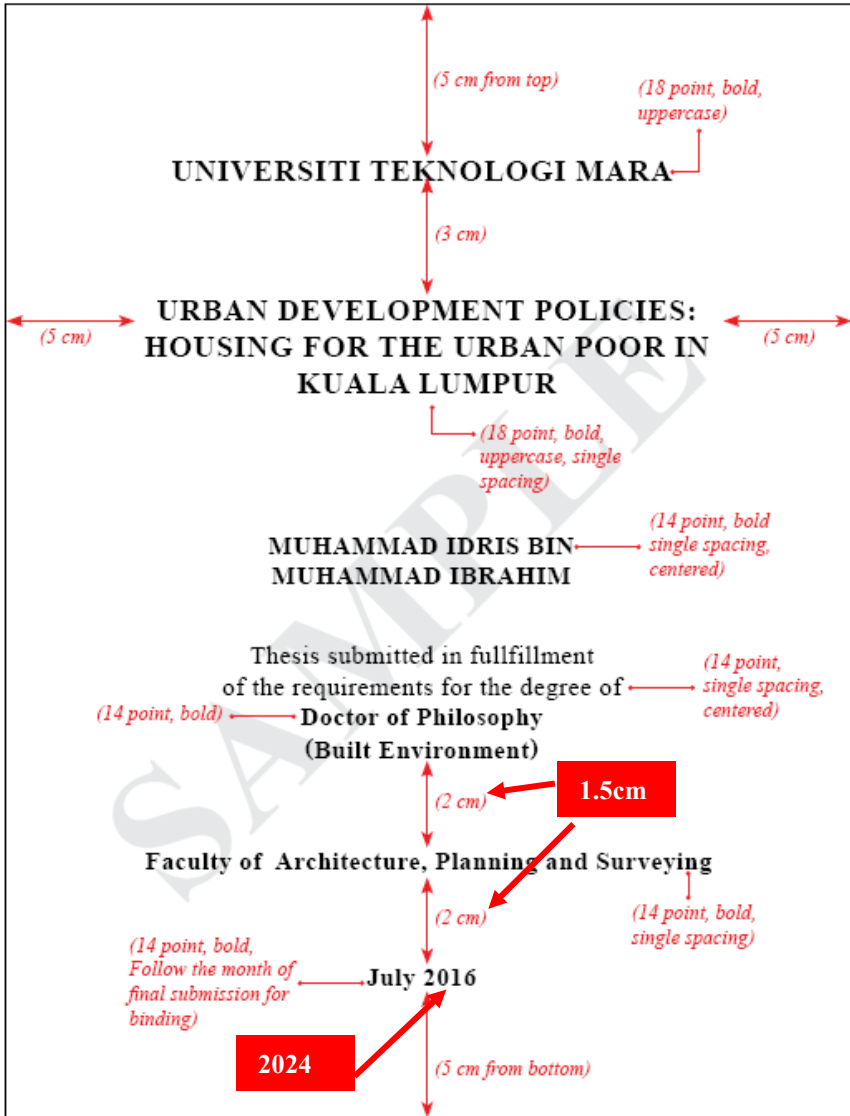
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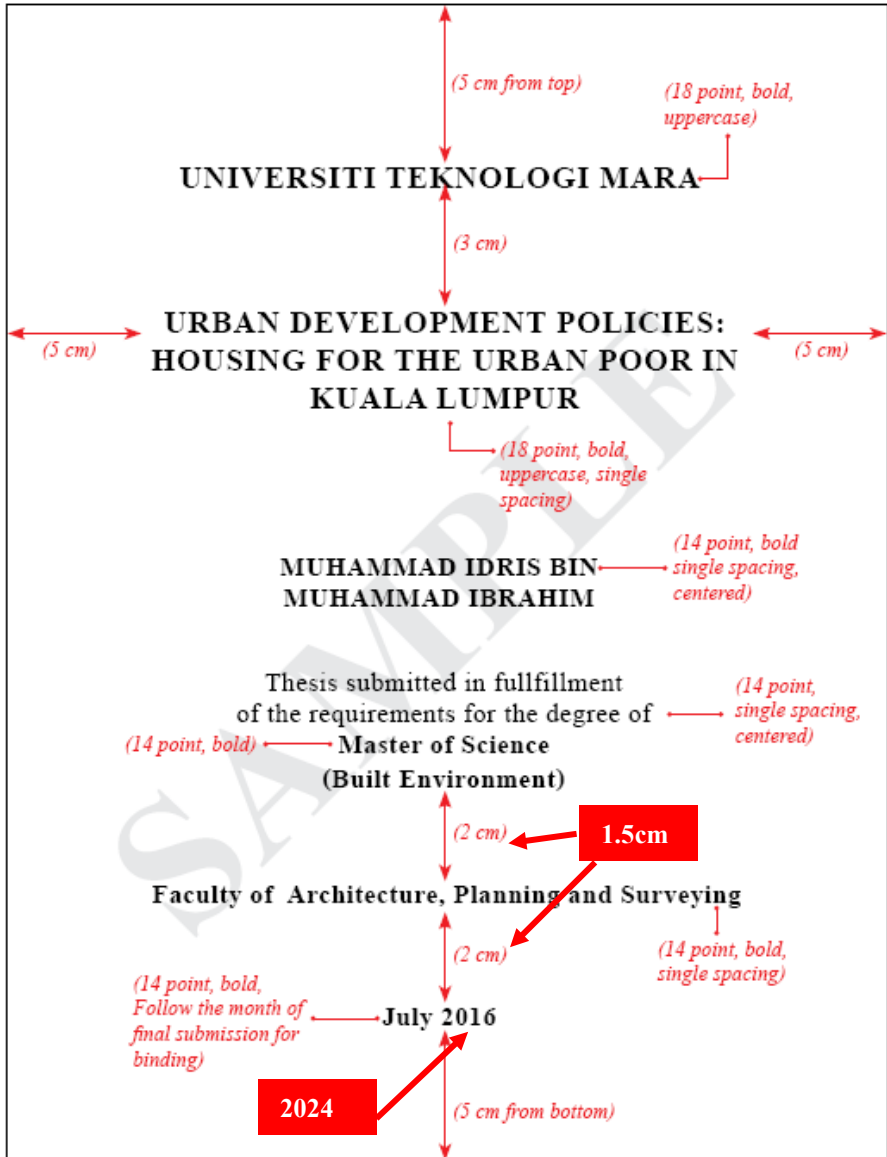
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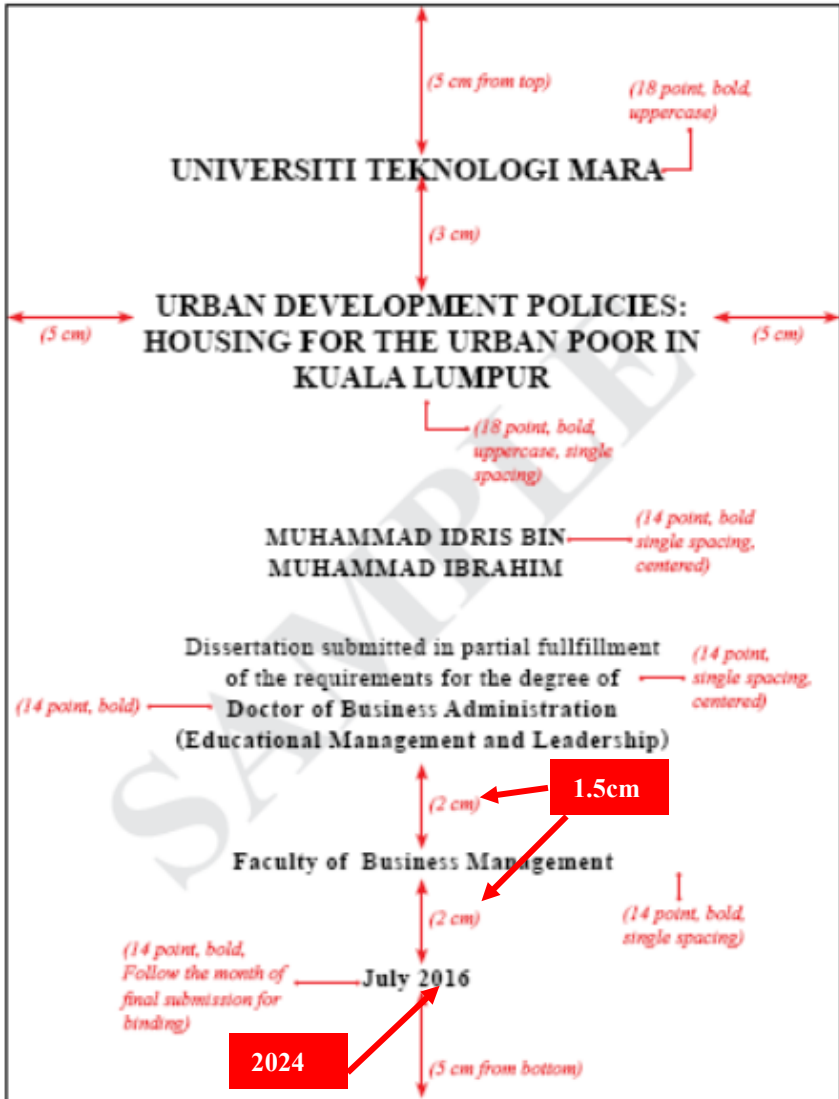
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ABSTRACT

The lack of management data and not knowing what level of park quality local authorities are trying to deliver is becoming a growing concern. The problem of urban landscape cannot be solved simply by providing more parks and spending more money on development and management. There is an urgent need for innovation, for better understanding of the current and potential role of the park to meet the needs in modern urban life. Thus, the adoption of a strategic approach is needed to planning and managing that urban landscape to carry out its function and roles. This research aim is to study the factors of park attributes that influence the development, planning and management of successful urban park in Kuala Muda. It specifically studies on Taman Tasik Cini as the sole representative of urban park in the context of Kuala Muda Structure Plan 2020. This research is based on data obtained from a survey questionnaire that polled public attitudes regarding the factors of park attributes based on visitor's perception and Haris's(2008), park success factors. The data was analyzed to evaluate and determine the park attributes and its level of preferences that influence the strategic approach to the planning and management of successful urban park. The research suggested that successful urban park as are linked to the physical and functional qualities of the park; security and comfort; visitors' preferences and needs of the place. The results of the study also suggested that a holistic strategic approach is needed for the local authority to successfully managing the urban park. It is hope that the study can contribute to the improvement of urban park planning and management in Kuala Muda.

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c	Speed of light
f	Frequency
k	Wave vector
k_c	Cutoff wavenumbers
\log	Logarithm
n	Refractive index
$n(\omega)$	Refractive index of step-index fiber
NA	Numerical aperture
β	Longitudinal wavenumber
T	Temperature
v	Velocity
γ	Attenuation coefficient
κ	Transverse wavenumber
λ	Wavelength
ω	Frequency
ω_c	Cutoff frequency

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PPP	Public Private Partnership
PSC	Public Sector Comparator
VFM	Value for Money
EPU	Economic Planning Unit
LCC	Life cycle cost
UKAS	Unit Kerjasama Awam swasta
CIDB	Construction Industry Development Board
MOHE	Ministry of Higher Education
MOF	Ministry of Finance
UiTM	Universiti Teknologi MARA
CSF	Critical Success factors
EPF	Employee Provident Fund
PFI	Private Finance Initiative
UK	United Kingdom
BOT	Build Operate Transfer
SPSS	Statistical Package for Social Sciences

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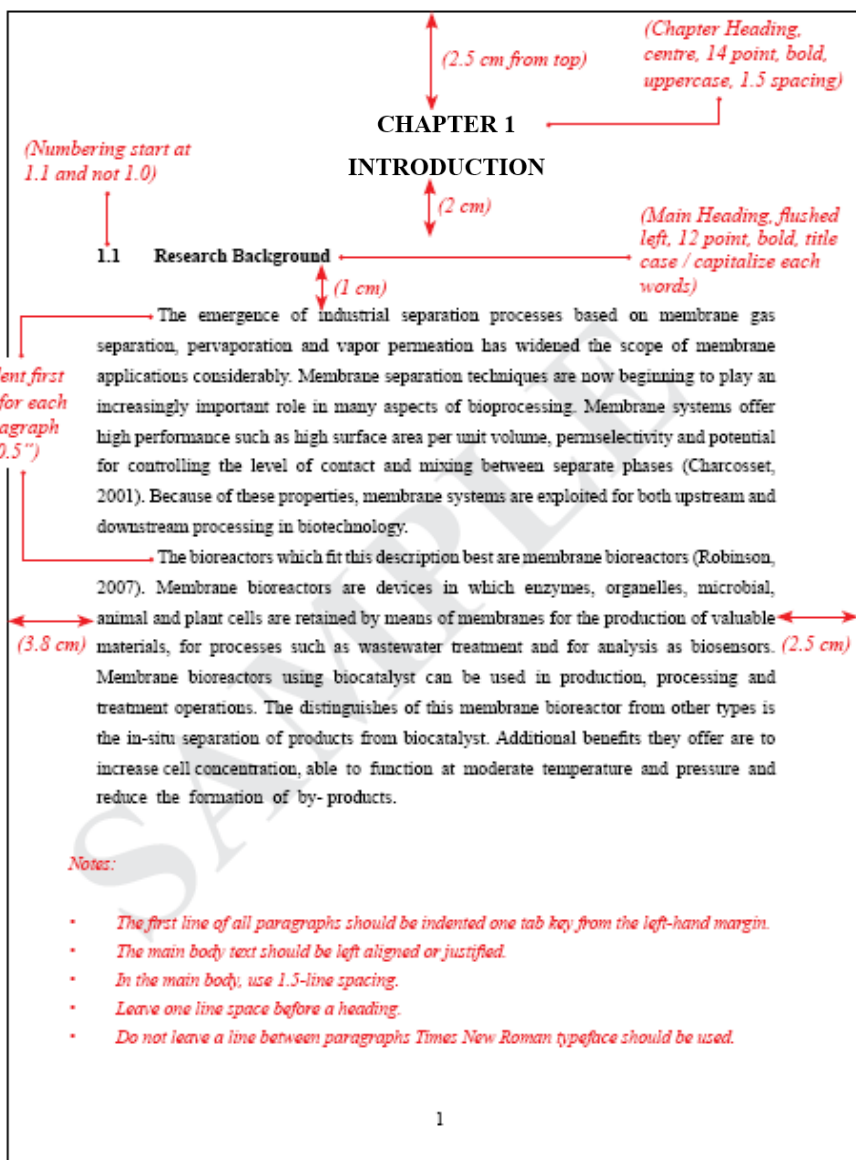
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CCD	Couple Charged Device
CMOS	Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor
CRT	Cathode Ray Tube
IC	Integrated Circuit
LED	Light Emitted Device
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PCI	Personal Computer Interface
PDMS-nano	Nano Polydimethylsiloxane
PVDF	Polyvinylidene Fluoride
SD	Slip Differential
SI	International System
SR	Stochastic Resonance
SMB	Serial Mini Bus
TIR	Total Internal Reflection
VLSI	Very Large Scale Integration

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Bleaching clay (0.5 M H ₂ SO ₄)	0.80	0.80
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