

## Thesis Proposal Guide

Each MASc candidate must prepare a Thesis Proposal at about the one-year mark in the program. The written proposal should include, at minimum:

- Title page
- Table of contents
- Introduction / literature review
- Thesis objectives / hypothesis
- Proposed methods and materials
- Timeline
- Progress/results to date
- List of references

The body of written text should not exceed 20 pages (double spaced, 12-point font) excluding the table of contents, tables, figures, list of references and appendices.

Students are required to make an oral presentation of their proposal and answer questions from the committee to assess their understanding of the proposed research area.

A chair for the committee will be designated by the Graduate Coordinator. It is the Chair's responsibility to ensure that an SBME Graduate Student Supervisory Committee Assessment Form is completed and signed by all committee members. The assessment form is a record of the committees' acceptance of the proposal. It is the student's responsibility to make the form available to committee members at the meeting and to return the completed form to the Administrative Coordinator.