

Guidelines for M.A. which includes one article

1. M.A. which includes one article must be formed according to the general guidelines for formatting M.A. thesis. This guidelines have been simplified and explained in presentations on [Libraries and Information System site](#).
2. In addition, according to the [guidelines of School of Graduate Studies](#):

"The limited word count of an academic article does not always allow for the necessary elaboration; the thesis should thus include additional sections conveying all aspects of the research topic:

- *Expanded bibliographic survey as accepted in a thesis, with corresponding bibliography list. (This is not necessary if the academic article itself includes a broad survey).*
- *If the academic article does not present a broad, detailed presentation of methodology, this should be included as part of the thesis.*
- *Where necessary, an expanded summary may be included, with possible consequences of the study, future directions, etc."*

That is, article alone can comprise a whole thesis only if all its sections are detailed enough.

Otherwise, you need to add at least one more detailed section to your thesis. An article must be incorporated in the thesis, so that the outcome will be a coherent work.

3. There are 4 primary options for formatting the thesis:
 - a. The article, which has detailed enough sections, as a body of a work
 - b. The article as an independent chapter, an Article chapter
 - c. The article as a Results chapter
 - d. The article as an Appendix (after the Bibliography chapter). In this case, the work is written as an ordinary thesis, and the article is not its integral part.

Be sure to include in the table of contents the location of the article and to enclose the article in the appropriate chapter.

First option – article as a body of the work:

Thesis title page; Supervisor's info page; Table of content as demonstrated in clause 6; Abstract (the same as the article's abstract; yes, it will repeat itself); Article title page; the article itself, exactly as it was sent to publisher/published; Supervisor's info page in Hebrew; Thesis title page in Hebrew.

Second option – article enclosed in an Article chapter:

Table of contents should be as detailed in the guidelines, while one of the chapters would be an Article chapter.

For example:

2. Article: article title.....p. number

Third option – articles enclosed in a Results chapter:

Table of contents should be as detailed in the guidelines, while one of the chapters would be a Results chapter.

For example:

3. Results.....p. number

3.1 Article: article titlep. number

Fourth option – article enclosed in a Appendices chapter (after the Bibliography chapter):

Table of contents should be as detailed in the guidelines, while the article appears as an Appendix or as one of the Appendices (if there are other appendices in the thesis).

For example:

4. Appendix Article: Its titlep. number

or

4. Appendices.....p. number

4.1 Appendix 1: Its titlep. number

4.2 Appendix 2 Article: Its titlep. number

4. The following points must be observed:

- A title page – article must be forwarded with a title page that includes the chapter/sub-chapter numbers (if they exist), the article number and the title of the article. You also must write the full bibliographic info of the article. And if the article was not published yet, you should write the publication status (submitted/in publication and so on).

The title page would be followed by the complete article.

- Page numbering – if possible, number the article pages as part of the paper. Otherwise, enclose the article with its original numbering, but count the pages and give the first page of the next chapter an appropriate number that takes into account the article pages.

5. Example of an article title page, when the chapters are not numbered:

Article 1-

**An Optimal Point is not Enough:
The Motivation to Cope with Complex Software Project Planning**

Brokman, M., Perez, D., & Gelbard, R. (2018). An Optimal Point is not Enough: The Motivation to Cope with Complex Software Project Planning. *Procedia computer science*, 138, 705-713.

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Example of an article title page, when the chapters are numbered:

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6. Table of content for example (for 1st option) – thesis written in English:

Abstract.....i
Article: [article's title].....1
Abstract (Article's).....2
Introduction (Article's).....3
List additional chapters of the article with appropriate page numbers
Hebrew Abstract.....X

7. Table of content for example (for 2nd-4th options) – thesis written in English:

Abstract.....i
1. Introduction/Literature review***1
2. Article: [article's title].....p. number
[Here, as sub-chapters of an article chapter, you can list all the article's chapters]
3. Bibliography***p. number
Hebrew Abstract.....X

***If this chapter wasn't broad enough in the article. If one of the other chapters in the article wasn't broad enough, it should be elaborated instead, as [guidelines of School of Graduate Studies instruct](#), and it should appear in the same manner in the table of content.

8. In what format should the article, enclosed in the thesis should be? This question is related to copyright and to the agreement you have signed with the publisher. If you have published in Open Access publication, it will probably not be a problem to incorporate the article in its final version, as published in the journal, within the thesis.

However, in most cases, the version which is allowed to be incorporate in the thesis is **Pre-print** (manuscript as submitted by the author for peer review) or **Post-print**: (manuscript that includes changes made by the author as a result of the peer review process). You can find that out by reading your agreement with the publisher or via [SHERPA/RoMEO](#) resource. Many journals have an embargo period that you need to obey. General explanations of the rights of the authors of the article (and, in particular, the possibility of including an article in the thesis) can be found on the Internet in the information pages of the various publishers. [Here](#) you can find additional info on how to find publisher's copyright policies on there sites. For instance, see:

[Taylor & Francis](#); [Elsevier](#)

9. Example for a M.A. with article as a body of the work:

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