Guidelines for M.A/Ph.D. with articles

M.A./Ph.D. which include articles, must be formed according to the general guidelines for formatting M.A./Ph.D. thesis. This guidelines have been simplified and explained in presentations on Libraries and Information System site.

In addition, there are 3 primary options for formatting M.A./Ph.D. which include articles:

1. The articles can be in an Article chapter
2. The articles can be in a Results chapter
3. The articles can be in an Appendices chapter (after the Bibliography chapter)

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

First option – articles enclosed in an Article chapter:

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

For example:

3. Articles..............................................................p. number
   3.1 Article 1: Its title..............................................p. number
   3.2 Article 2: Its title ...........................................p. number
   3.3 Article 3: Its title ...........................................p. number

Second option – articles enclosed in a Results chapter:

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

For example:

5. Results............................................................p. number
   5.1 Article 1: Its title ...........................................p. number
   5.2 Article 2: Its title ...........................................p. number
   5.3 Article 3: Its title ...........................................p. number

Third option – articles enclosed in an Appendices chapter (after the Bibliography chapter):
Table of contents should be as detailed in the general guidelines, while all of the articles appear in the Appendices.

For example:

7. Appendices…………………………………………..p. number
   7.1 Article 1: Its title ......................................p. number
   7.2 Article 2: Its title ......................................p. number
   7.3 Article 3: Its title ......................................p. number

The following points must be observed:

- **A title page** – each 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).

  Each title page would be followed by the complete and corresponding 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 next title page appropriate number that takes into account the article pages.

- If the articles appear in the Results chapter, other information regarding the results, such as the article’s abstract, can be included on the article’s title page.

- The list of publications, which is not mandatory, should be in the Appendices chapter, after the Bibliography chapter.
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*


---

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

5.1 **Article 1**

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

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