Research Supervisors’ Forum – The thesis and the viva

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| **Expectations and preparing for examination** | **Strongly**  **Agree** | **Agree Somewhat** | **Disagree**  **Somewhat** | **Strongly**  **Disagree** | **It**  **Depends** | **Not sure** |
| 1. I would insist on seeing the full final draft of the thesis and undertake a careful read. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. I expect that a candidate will employ someone (or find a friend) to format the thesis if that is not where their skills lie. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. I would insist on seeing the full final draft of the thesis and doing a quick scan for the overall presentation. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. If necessary, I would delay the candidate’s date for submission to ensure that I had enough time to check the thesis. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. I don’t think it is my responsibility to check the final copy |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. I feel confident that I know my candidate’s work well enough to not worry about specifically checking for plagiarism |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. If appropriate I would advise my candidate to seek expert advice to resolve any Intellectual Property and/or copy write issues. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. I am quite nervous about plagiarism with some of my candidates and would definitely prefer to run the thesis through plagiarism detection software. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. I regard it as my responsibility to ensure that there is a robust data management plan in place. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Any notes or observations – especially if you answered ‘It depends’

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