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# Notification of Withdrawal from Higher Degree by Research Candidature

Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President (Research)

Before submitting this form, students are encouraged to discuss their intention to withdraw from candidature with their Postgraduate Co-ordinator, as other options may be available.

International Students should seek advice from International Student Support about the impact of withdrawal on their visa eligibility/ sponsorship as applicable.

Student Name		
Student ID		
School/Discipline		
Program		
E-mail		
I am an International Student	Yes	No
I am a Scholarship holder	Yes	No
Scholarship Title		

I wish to withdraw / have withdrawn from my PhD/Master program with effect from: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

## Overall HDR Experience

1 Overall, my experience as an HDR student has been positive	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
2 My reason(s) for withdrawal are primarily:	Academic	Personal			

## Reasons for Withdrawal

Please provide us with your answers to the following questions – this information will inform future HDR policies and practices. Responses will be treated as confidential and will not be disclosed to your supervisors or School.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree/disagree with each of the following statements:

Personal Reasons for Withdrawal					
1 Personal and/or family matters led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
2 My scholarship ran out and led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
3 Financial difficulties led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
4 Demands of my current employment led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
5 I took a job during candidature which led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
6 An alternative career choice led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly

Academic Reasons for Withdrawal					
1 Administrative problems with my school/faculty led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
2 Administrative problems with the Graduate Research School led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
3 Inadequate research resources led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
4 Difficulties with supervision led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
5 Unexpected problems with research topic/question led to my withdrawal	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
6 An inadequate research culture led to my withdrawal.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree/Disagree	Disagree	Disagree Strongly

Please provide further information, if applicable, on how any difficulties with your supervisor(s) contributed to your decision to withdraw (including the names of any staff that your comments relate to). To avoid ambiguity, note: (i) the information you provide will remain confidential from your supervisor(s) and School (ii) if you wish to make a formal complaint about misconduct or unfair treatment by a staff member or student, you can do so through the 'Report an Incident' form: <https://www.adelaide.edu.au/safer-campus-community/report-an-incident/report-an-incident-to-the-university>.

If you need more space for comments, please attach a separate page

### Additional Comments

If relevant, what else could the University/Faculty/School or your supervisors have done to assist you to continue with your candidature?

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### Certification by the student

\_\_\_\_\_

Student Name

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Signature here

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

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