Formatting your Senior Thesis using UDThesis Styles

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What's involved?

- Professional document

- Regulations determine the format

- Tools and help

Professional document

- Your document represents your research and the University of Delaware

- Consistency in the formatting of your document makes it easier to read and more organized
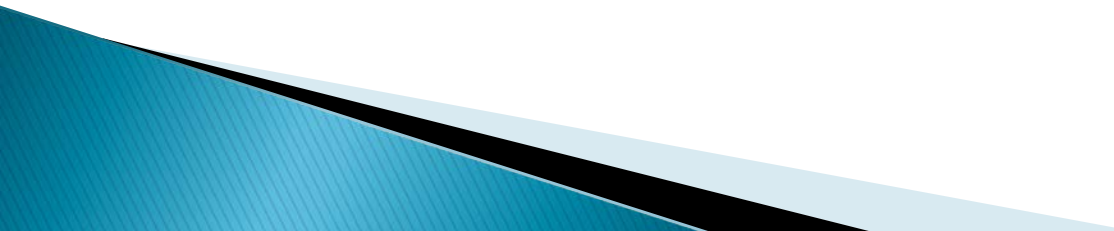
Formatting tools

- Your document must be formatted according to graduate and undergraduate regulations

- IT has produced styles and examples following most of these regulations

- Supplemental resources available for specific formatting issues

What can you do?

- Become familiar with the regulations

- Read the instructions for UDThesis styles, particularly the setup for Microsoft Word or LaTeX

- Direct questions about the regulations to the Undergraduate Research Program

- Direct questions about using the UDThesis styles to IT Support Center

Let's take a look

- Undergraduate Research Program:

    www.urp.udel.edu

    Senior Thesis > Current Thesis Students

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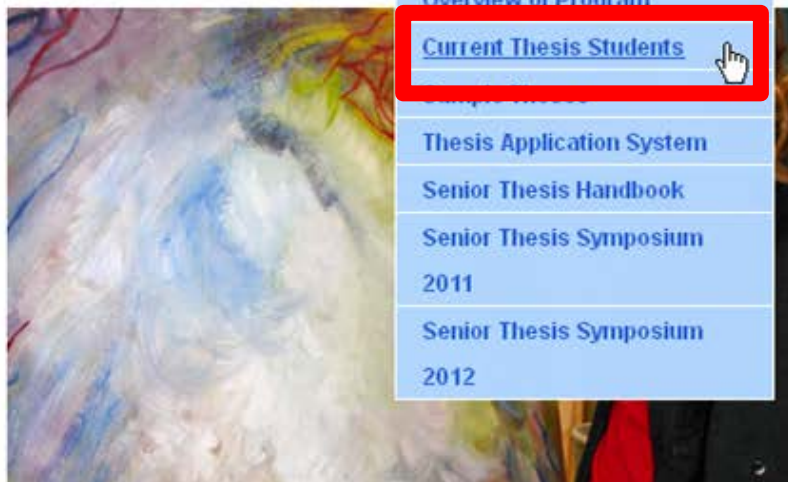| RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES	FUNDING	SUMMER SCHOLARS	SENIOR THESIS	FACULTY	ALUMNI	CALENDAR

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UNIV 401 & 402 Info

- Class schedule for UNIV 401-402
- Group Lists (Updated 10/23/2012 w/ November Group Meetings)
- Research group presentation schedule for Fall 2012 -- coming soon!
- PowerPoint presentation from Senior Thesis orientation--Fall 2012

For all other questions, see the **Senior Thesis Handbook** or contact the URP office

Research & note-taking

- Developing a research flow and back-up plan for your work
- Using Zotero
- Research sources and techniques (once a librarian, always a librarian)

Writing & Talking about your Thesis

- You Suck at PowerPoint - a highly entertaining series of caveats for presenters
- PowerPoint Presentations – Content and Form
  - courtesy of Professor Norbert Mulders
- Oral Communication Fellows
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Formatting your Thesis

Senior Thesis Styles for Microsoft Word and LaTeX

- Format checklist--use this "after" downloading and following directions for using the styles via the link above ("Senior Thesis Styles for MS Word at LaTeX")

Other Useful Documents

UDThesis Styles

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Styles allow quick access to frequently used format settings and help to maintain consistency in the format of a document.

Graduate Students: Formatting Dissertations, Executive Position Papers, or Master's Theses

- **Microsoft Word (Windows or Mac)**
- **LaTeX**

Undergraduate Students: Formatting Senior Theses

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- **LaTeX**

Additional Help:

Office of Graduate and Professional Education	831-8697
Undergraduate Research Office	831-8995
Writing Center	831-1168
IT Support Center	**help request**, **email**, 831-6000

Word UDThesis Styles

Microsoft Word UDThesis Styles for Degree with Distinction and Honors Degree with Distinction Senior Thesis Styles

A requirement for the Degree with Distinction and the Honors Degree with Distinction, the senior thesis is the culmination of a year-long major independent research or creative project. It addresses important unanswered questions and makes an original and valuable contribution to the scholarly, scientific, or artistic community. Its format and length depend on the discipline involved. For more information and applications, contact the **Undergraduate Research Program**.

Undergraduate senior thesis candidates should use UDThesis styles in conjunction with the *Senior Thesis Handbook*.

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> **Important: To use the styles most effectively, read and follow the instructions at the beginning of the UDThesis guidelines for setting up Word. If you have already started typing your document, see the Appendix of the guidelines.**

Click to download the **Microsoft Word UDThesis Guidelines**

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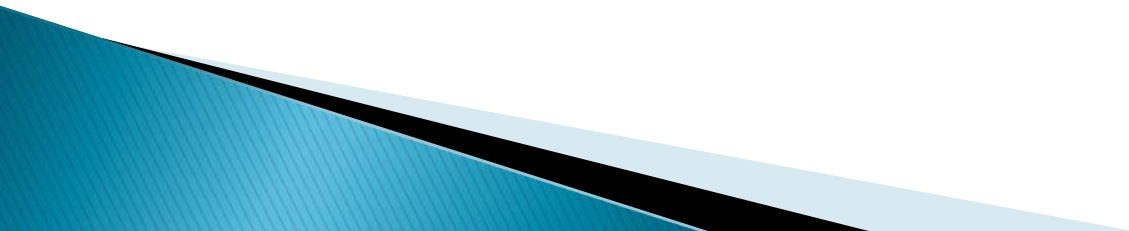http://www.udel.edu/udthesis

Contact the IT Support Center

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- Email: consult@udel.edu

- Phone: (302) 831-6000

- Text: (302) 722-6820

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