



## Postgraduate School Research Capacity Development Events and Competitions

### 2024 Local Visualise Your Thesis (VYT) Competition University of Johannesburg

Visualise Your Thesis (VYT) challenges graduate researchers at any stage of their candidature to present their projects in a 60-second, eye-catching, video. Using a pre-supplied template, you are tasked with developing a striking video presentation that succinctly describes your research, and its potential benefits, to a non-specialist audience. VYT provides you with an opportunity to build and apply your information and digital literacy skills. By creating a “visual elevator pitch” you will develop crucial employability skills including effective communication, information and digital literacy, and visual storytelling. You will also build your awareness of open access to information and copyright.

**Eligibility:** Visualise Your Thesis is open to *currently-enrolled graduate researchers* (i.e. students enrolled in M.Phil., Masters by Research, Ph.D. or Professional Doctorate programmes) at *any stage of their candidature* who are *active* and *attending* of registered VYT 2024 institutions.

Not eligible to enter VYT are;

- Honours students
- Masters by coursework students (even if their program has a research/thesis component)
- Graduate researchers on a leave of absence (= inactive and not attending)
- Lapsed candidates
- Graduate researchers who are employed by their university who may have, or may be perceived to have, influence over the outcome, research funding or related resourcing, or an otherwise unfair advantage over the other entrants from their university

#### Competition Entry Process

- 1) Register for our Information session: 05 April 2024 (10:00-12:00). To register: Click [here](#) (Open to students and supervisors).
  - 2) Access competition resources and submit your entry on our Moodle communities. [Click here for our guide.](#)  
-Moodle communities: 240CM\_081- Coursework Masters, Honours, PGDip & Final Year Students and 240CM\_177- Research Masters and Doctoral Students.
- **Round 1:** Entry closing - Submission of registration form, abstract, PowerPoint presentation, Video, Script, Terms & Conditions agreement and Submission Checklist (Templates provided below)- **24 April 2024**
  - **Round 2:** Panel feedback to successful entrants and request for corrections- **06 May 2024**
  - **Round 3:** Final submission of corrected abstract - **15 May 2024**
  - **Date of competition: 24 May 2024**

To view our past local VYT competitions, please visit: [Click here](#)

University of Melbourne Guidelines, FAQ and other resources available at: [Click here](#)

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