

## Thesis Writing Schedule

Here is the model thesis writing schedule for Philip Seaton's seminar.

Time	Stages
<b>Third Year</b>	
Autumn term	Write a research proposal and apply to join the zemi.
	After acceptance into the zemi, start reading relevant literature.
<b>Fourth Year, Spring Term</b>	
Early April	<b>Week 1 Orientation:</b> Includes signing the research ethics pledge.
April	<b>Individual Supervision 1:</b> Discuss your research plan and timetable.
May	<b>Individual Supervision 2:</b> Literature review. Summaries of key books/papers.
Early June	<b>Mid-term Presentation:</b> Describe your research plan and methodology.
Early June	<b>Active Learning Hours:</b> Submit a report about fieldwork done for the thesis.
June	<b>Individual Supervision 3:</b> Revised literature review draft. Discuss data-gathering plans.
July	<b>End-of-term presentation:</b> Research-in-progress report. Details of your summer plans.
<b>Summer Holiday</b>	
July-September	Fieldwork and data-gathering. Make good progress on thesis writing.
	<b>Individual Supervision (Optional):</b> Trouble-shooting and checking progress.
Late September	Complete all data-gathering by the end of the summer holiday.
<b>Autumn Term</b>	
Early October	<b>Week 1:</b> Research ethics recap. Oral presentation of progress over the summer.
October	<b>Individual Supervision 4:</b> Draft of case studies, and re-revised literature review.
November	<b>Individual Supervision 5:</b> Revised draft of case studies. The thesis is nearly complete.
Early December	<b>Individual Supervision 6:</b> Add the introduction, conclusion, and bibliography.
Mid December	<b>Final Checks:</b> The complete thesis is run through plagiarism-checker software.
	Announcement of a provisional pass (at grade A- or above) for completed theses.
	Incomplete theses must be finished (without any further supervision) over New Year.
Early January	<b>Thesis Submission:</b> Upload the thesis to the university system.
Mid January	<b>Final Presentations:</b> Two weeks of presentations about your research findings.
<b>Winter Holiday</b>	
	Marking of final theses. Announcement of grades. Graduation.