

Instructions for submitting a Ph. D. Thesis as a collection of chapters

A Ph. D. thesis presented as a collection of chapters must include:

- A Hebrew abstract
- An English abstract
- A general preface explaining the entire field and the structure of the Thesis.
- At least three independent chapters, each of which includes the following sub-sections: a preface, the research methods, the results and a discussion. Each one of these sub-sections may constitute the basis for an article to be published.
- A general discussion – connecting all the different chapters in the Thesis.
- One comprehensive bibliography (separate bibliographies should not be included in each of the chapters, to prevent needless repetition).

All the above are in addition to the overall, standard framework, editing and submission requirements for Research Theses.

The student will also attach a statement (an affidavit) that all the material incorporated in his/her Thesis is entirely the result of his/her own, independent research work. The Advisor(s) will attach a letter attesting to the same fact—that the student's work is the outcome of original research.

If you want to refer to the relevant work of other researchers, which is necessary for better understanding the presented Thesis – prior, written permission to do so must be gotten from those named researchers. This should be specifically designated in the attached statements and their part must be noted adjacent to the description of the research results.

Note that the Judges' Panel is sensitive to the inclusion of material in the Thesis not produced by the student him/herself. In a Ph. D. Thesis presented as a collection of articles, we ask that the accompanying letters by the Advisor(s) and the student state that the Thesis is mostly his/hers; while a Ph. D. Thesis presented as a collection of chapters must include only the student's work.

These affidavit letters must be attached to the Thesis sent to the Judges' Panel for evaluation.

It is forbidden to mix together in the same Thesis both previously published articles (or those already accepted for publication) and independent chapters or articles still under evaluation. These are two different formats. A Ph. D. Thesis submitted as a collection of articles must have at least three articles that have been published or accepted for publication, with the student as the primary (first) author.

Do not indicate intended publishers for chapters of a Thesis presented as a collection of chapters. However, if some of the chapters have already been accepted for publication, you may state where they were accepted.

The literature survey is not considered to be a chapter, though it may help when writing the preface and preparing the discussion.

Students of the Faculty of Humanities do not need to receive a prior approval to submit a "Collection of Chapters" based thesis. Students of the Faculty of Business and Management and students of the Desert Studies Institute in Social Sciences departments are requested to submit a request for submission of a "Collection of Chapters", **before** submitting the doctoral dissertation.