

Department of STS/Public Policy
MS in Science, Technology, and Public Policy
Public Policy Program

Policy Statement On Thesis Proposal and Thesis Research

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1. The thesis is an important element of the science, technology and public policy master's program. The thesis requires students to select a thesis topic, advisor and committee; prepare a written thesis proposal for approval by the faculty; present and defend the thesis before a thesis committee; and submit a bound copy of the thesis to the library and to the Program Chair.

2. An approved thesis proposal is required before students are allowed to enroll in 521-703 Thesis Research. A *thesis proposal form* must be submitted to the Public Policy Office. Any changes in thesis topic must be accompanied by an amendment to the thesis proposal form.