The student experience at RMIT

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The common pathway...

Secondary Education

Diploma of Applied Science (Biotechnology) – 2 years

Bachelor of Applied Science (Biotechnology) – 2 years

Bachelor of Applied Science (Honours) (Biotechnology) – 1 year

& Currently......PhD candidate in Biotechnology – seems like forever
YOU manage your supervisor

- Regular meetings
- Be pushy and get noticed
Your priority vs Supervisor’s

PhD
Meeting with supervisor
Literature review
Publication
Social life

Teaching
Committee meetings
More meetings
Other senior students
YOU

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Report “nothing”

- No results? That’s OK
- “Why nothing” is important
Progress report

• Every 6 months
• It’s about “PROGRESS”, not “YOU”
• Your chance to tell the truth
PhD students = Best at procrastinating

- Coffee Break
- All day coffee breaks
- Facebook
- Treat PhD like a job
HAVE FUN!!

• Take extra responsibilities/distractions

• HAVE A SOCIAL LIFE YOU NEED AN ESCAPE!!!!