Writing Papers

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WHY PUBLISH?

Reasons not to write papers
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Reasons to write papers
• Improve your writing skills
• Ease thesis preparation
• Strengthen thesis
• Receive feedback from researchers in your field
• Achieve primacy of publication
• Improve future prospects by adding to cv
• Now or never!
WHEN TO PUBLISH?

• When you have:
  • Completed piece of work which is a contribution to knowledge
  • “Publishable unit”
  • Needs to be “bullet proof”
  • Suitable conference at which to present
  • Paper suitable for journal publication
  • Discuss with your supervisor!
TYPES OF PAPERS

Conference or Journal?
CONFERENCE PAPERS

- Peer-reviewed and non peer-reviewed
- Poster and platform presentations
- Useful feedback, networking, exposure to other ideas/approaches
- Some papers ultimately published in journals after peer review
JOURNAL PAPERS

• Peer-reviewed and non peer reviewed
• Australian and international journals
• Impact Factors…..
• ……..Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA), A* (5%), A (15%), B (30%), C (50%)
• Discuss with your supervisor!
The impact factor for a journal is calculated based on a three-year period, and can be considered to be the average number of times published papers are cited up to two years after publication. For example, the impact factor 2009 for a journal would be calculated as follows:

A = the number of times articles published in 2007-8 were cited in indexed journals during 2009

B = the number of articles, reviews, proceedings or notes published in 2007-8

impact factor 2009 = A/B
Can I publish the same information in both a conference paper and a journal paper?

How many papers are expected from me?
Expectations, thesis topics vary….
2/masters, 3-4/PhD…….
CONCLUSION

Writing peer-reviewed papers during your candidature will:

• enhance your skills,
• aid thesis preparation,
• enhance your thesis and
• enhance your profile/prospects.