

Physics Department
Senior Thesis (Phys489W/490W/499W)
Form ST06: Senior Thesis Template
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Instructions: This form contains information and links to the Senior Thesis Templates for Physics 490W and 499W students who are writing their Thesis.

The thesis is expected to be at least 20 pages long, double spaced (excluding title page, table of contents, abstract, references, etc.). It can be written using any word processing software, but templates are available below MS Word and LaTeX. The thesis must have an abstract, title page, table of contents, clearly delineated chapters, and references. The formatting must be consistent and “professional” throughout; the document must be free of grammatical errors or other typos. Figures must be of high quality and have appropriate figure captions. Pages must be numbered. **Please note that the Date to be put on the TITLE PAGE of the Thesis will be that of the student’s expected graduation (Month and Year). The DATE that goes on the Senior Thesis ABSTRACT PAGE with the date of Senior Thesis completion. These dates will be the same if you graduate the same semester.** Often student graduation date is different to Senior Thesis completion. Senior Thesis examples from previous semesters (one LaTeX and one MS Word) are available in the Department Office and Conference Room (OCNPS 306). It is expected that one copy of the original signed Thesis will be printed by the student on paper of higher quality than standard photocopy paper. For help see the Senior Thesis Coordinator.

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