

Master's Thesis Review Committee:

This committee will advise the student on selecting and researching their topic, attend the thesis presentation, review and assist the student in editing the thesis document. Each student is responsible for initiating his or her own thesis committee. The committee consists of at least two members, at least one of which should be a regular SMEA faculty member. Members of the Graduate Faculty from the School of Aquatic and Fisheries Sciences or other UW departments and schools may be included as one of the two committee members. SMEA affiliate faculty (non-UW faculty) often participate on thesis committees, especially when the affiliate has special knowledge or skills relevant to the research topic. Affiliate faculty generally act as third committee members. This committee will sign the student's warrant, stating that the student has completed the thesis and should be granted the degree of Master of Marine Affairs. The warrant is submitted to the department Graduate Program Advisor with a copy of the final thesis document.

-The Chair must be UW faculty

-1/2 of the committee must be on the [UW faculty list](#)

Master's Supervisory Committee:

These members will sign the student's Master's Supervisory Committee Approval Form verifying completion of the student's thesis and degree. If at least two members of the Master's Thesis Review Committee are university faculty, those two members will sign both the warrant and Master's Supervisory Committee Approval Form. If not, the committee chair and one additional SMEA faculty will need to be assigned to sign this document. The Master's Supervisory Committee Approval Form is the only hard copy document that is submitted to the Graduate School and has a strict deadline for submission, therefore it is up to the student to arrange for signatures and ensure the submission of this document prior to the Graduate Enrollment Management Services' deadline.

-Two faculty members, must be on the [UW faculty list](#)