

Chapter 10

GRADUATE CAPSTONES/PROJECTS TREATED LIKE THESES

Some master's programs require students to write a thesis, while others offer a project or capstone option. This chapter concerns master's programs at UMass Dartmouth that have decided to treat their capstone or project similar to a thesis as regards final preparation, approvals, and library submission.

Currently, the MS in Nursing is the only program to do this, although others are considering it. Current information is available from your Graduate Program Director.

For the MS in Nursing, the capstone is initiated in a formal written proposal, prepared under direction of a committee, and given an oral defense. Approval of the capstone is indicated in a modified version of the thesis/dissertation signatory page.

At this time, specific instructions may be obtained from the MS in Nursing program representatives. Further details will be provided in the next edition of this manual.