

Expectations in Supervision

Name: _____ Supervisor _____
Course: _____ Department _____

Read each pair of statements below and then estimate your position on each. For example with statement 1 if you believe very strongly that it is the supervisor's responsibility to select a good topic you would put a ring round '1'. If you think that both the supervisor and student should equally be involved you put a ring round '3' and if you think it is definitely the student's responsibility to select a topic, put a ring round '5'.

1	It is the supervisor's responsibility to select a research topic	<u>1</u> 2 3 4 5	The student is responsible for selecting her/his own topic
2	It is the supervisor who decides which theoretical framework or methodology is most appropriate	<u>1</u> 2 3 4 5	Students should decide which theoretical framework or methodology they wish to use
3	The supervisor should develop an appropriate program and timetable of research and study for the student	<u>1</u> 2 3 4 5	The supervisor should leave the development of the program of study to the student
4	The supervisor is responsible for ensuring that the student is introduced to the appropriate services and facilities of the department and University	<u>1</u> 2 3 4 5	It is the student's responsibility to ensure that she/he has located and accessed all relevant services and facilities for research
5	Supervisors should only accept students when they have specific knowledge of the student's chosen topic	<u>1</u> 2 3 4 5	Supervisors should feel free to accept students, even if they do not have specific knowledge of the student's topic
6	A warm, supportive relationship between supervisor and student is important for successful candidature		