Your thesis will be marked according to the following criteria and guidelines:

	Content and Outcome	Literature and Context	Approach and Execution	Thesis
Clear Distinction	The work has sufficient quality and originality to be publishable as it stands or with minor modifications.	References literature from beyond standard sources and shows thorough and broadscope understanding of the context of the work.	Ingenious approach, carried out in a diligent and professional manner. Outstanding work.	Difficult to fault style and content. Could extract publishable material directly.
To be considered for Distinction	The work demonstrates new insights into the topic	References all relevant literature in standard sources and shows comprehensive appreciation of the contex	Comprehensive achievement within the project's objectives. The student has shown practical and/or analytical skills at a level above normal expectations	Clear structure and high quality technical writing. Diagrams and mathematical notation of publishable style and quality.
Good Pass	The work has largely covered the ground identified in the objectives.	References most of the relevant literature / has only implicitly considered the context	Competent piece of work carried out in a professional manner.	Describes the work satisfactorily but with some faults in the description
Adequate Pass	Whilst some of the intended work has been covered well, there are significant areas underexploited or not complete.	There are significant gaps in appreciation of the literature or existing work and/or its applicability and context	Given the time available there should have been more achievement / more problems resolved	Clarity could be improved significantly by attention to detail, although it covers the work carried out and explains the student's basic ideas.
Marginal Pass/Fail	Although shows some appreciation of the problem, has made insufficient contribution.	Little awareness of the context of the work. Unsatisfactory survey of the state of the literature.	Inadequate progress made This work could have been achieved in a typical BEng/BSc project.	Insufficient explanation. In many cases it is not clear what the thesis is trying to say.
Fail	Unsatisfactory appreciation of the problem. Has made little, if any, contribution	Conceptualisation of the problem largely absent	Insufficient achievement overall.	Unsatisfactory thesis Content bears little relevance to the project topic.