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## The difference of QE paper and Master thesis

**Master's Thesis**: A complete academic paper containing novel research findings (of a quality that can be submitted to peer-reviewed journals).

**QE Paper**: A progress report towards a doctoral thesis. As a 'draft of the doctoral dissertation', it not only requires a survey and summary of previous research, but also demands original thought and understanding of primary data. Additionally, the QE paper must include the following three descriptions:

- 1. Prospects towards the doctoral thesis (showing the overall picture of the doctoral thesis).
- 2. Relation to Musya-Shugyo and PBR.
- 3. Relation to societal problem-solving required in the study of Human Survivability Studies.

The abstract should also refer to these three points.

If submitting both a master's thesis and a QE paper simultaneously, differentiate the abstracts of the two. However, the content of presentations at QE should include the aforementioned three points from the QE paper.

Before undergoing a review for either the master's or QE paper, it is mandatory to conduct a meeting with the two (or three) supervisors. Only after receiving their approval, along with the meeting record, can one apply for the review.

## 【修士論文と QE 論文の違い】

■修士論文:新規な研究成果を含む完結した学術論文(査読誌に投稿できる程度の内容)

- ■QE 論文:博士論文に至る途中経過の報告。「博士学位請求論文草稿」であることから、先行研究の調査と要約だけでなくオリジナルな思索や一次データの把握などが求められる。また□QE 論文には以下123の記述が求められる。
- 1 博士論文にむけての展望(博士論文の全体像を示す)
- 2 武者修行や PBR との関係
- 3 総合生存学の研究に求められる社会課題解決との関係 アブストラクトにも123への言及が必要
- ◎修士論文と QE 論文を同時に提出する場合、差別化のために両者のアブストラクトを異なるものとすること。ただし、論文発表会での報告は上記123を含む QE 論文の内容とする。
- ◎修士または QE 論文審査を受ける前に、必ず三(四)者面談を実施し、主・副指導 教員の許可を受けた上で、面談記録とともに審査を申請すること。

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