



Data, data everywhere...and yet nowhere. RDM for HDRs

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The Challenge

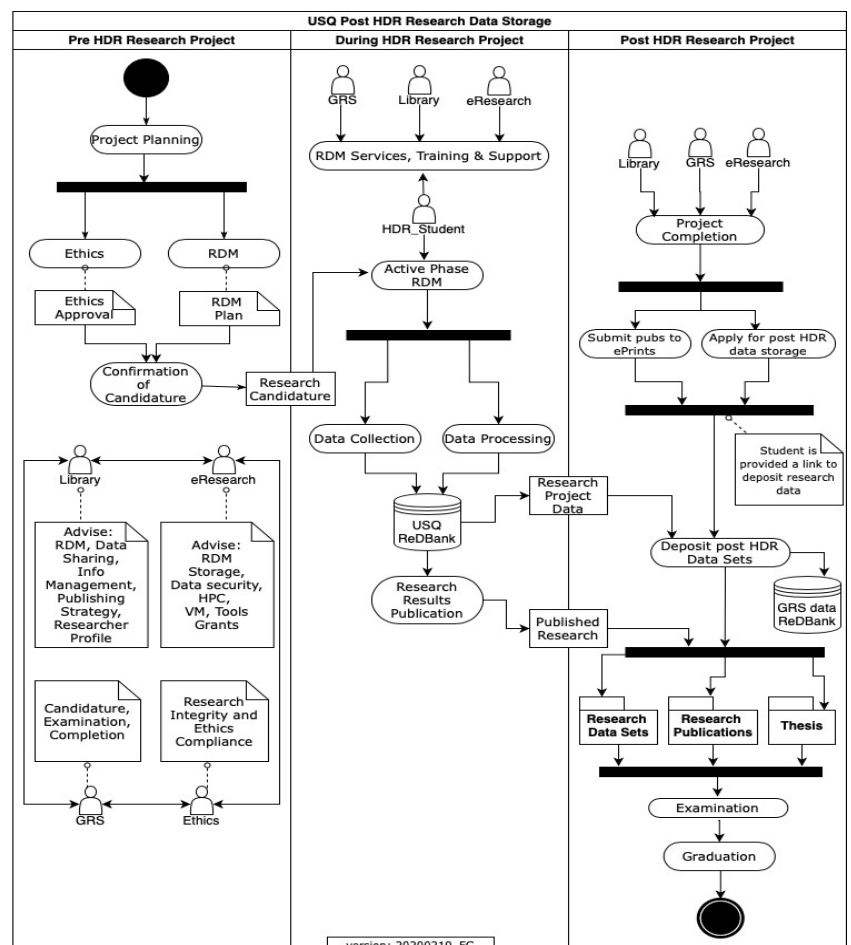
Researchers are expected to securely store and share their data to achieve their research goals within their project's ethics approval. Education and support on the benefits of making their research open and reproducible is provided. Data is shared where possible via open access repositories.

However, as the HDR student successfully completes their degree and graduates, a common challenge is what to do with stored raw research data that is not able to be shared but has a required retention period.

As this is an issue for all universities, the ideal would be to develop a best practice model that would become the basis of a standard aligned with the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2018).

USQ has implemented a temporary mini-archive solution to enable responsible management of HDR research data beyond the end of a research project as outlined below.

The Process



The Drivers

Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2018)

FAIR Data Principles

10 000 HDR completions in Australia each year

The Next Step

The aim of this poster is to raise awareness of this challenge and be the spark that starts discussion towards a standard solution.