

Master's degree in ECONOMICS AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Final Dissertation FROM JANUARY 2023

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE FINAL ASSESSMENT

The final assessment aims at assessing the ability to accurately applicate the behavioral economics approaches and theories, as well as the methodologies and tools learned during the master's program. This final assessment concurs with 18 CFU to the study plan and consists of the preparation, presentation, and defense of a written dissertation (**thesis**). The discussion of the thesis is public in the presence of a special Committee (Final Assessment Committee). The thesis could be bibliographical, methodological, experimental, or applicative, prepared under the supervision of a **mentor** (usually a member of the Master's Faculty) and the assistance of a **co-supervisor** (appointed by the President of the Master's degree).

The thesis is a systematic, exhaustive, and original written composition, able to demonstrate the student's ability in research, critical thinking, and synthesization of information. The thesis focuses on a specific topic pertinent with at least one course/SSD included in the Master's degree program. The topic is chosen by the student, in agreement with the mentor. The thesis should be approximately 70/120 pages long.

The thesis must be written in English and must be accompanied by a summary in Italian.

For anomalous typologies of works not described above, the mentor should send a report to the President of the Master's degree to explain the situation. The President of the Master's degree evaluates and can approve anomalous forms of the final assessment.

It is recommended to ask a professor to be the mentor at least **6 month before the deadline for the graduation application**.

DEADLINES AND BUREAUCRACY

Four graduation sessions are available in each academic year.

The student can undergo the final assessment only after having passed all the other exams and obtained all the CFU (but the last 18 of the final assessment).

The graduation application must be submitted according to the **deadlines set in the academic calendar (FIRST DEADLINE)**. The graduation application is submitted using MyPage.

Before the deadline set in the academic calendar (**SECOND DEADLINE**) the student has to submit using MyPage documentation listed below:

- Alma Laurea survey, filled
- The file: "modulo finale conseguimento titolo"
- The electronic version of the thesis (PDF file)

The student must also send a copy of the thesis to the **co-supervisor** as soon as possible and at least **seven days before** the public discussion.

Delayed submission of the thesis could be authorized by the President of the Master's degree if requested by the mentor.

DEADLINES ARE MANDATORY AND CANNOT BE POSTPONED. WHO DOES NOT RESPECT THEM WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GRADUATE IN THE SELECTED DATE.

Students having any problem preventing them to graduate in the date selected must inform as soon as possible the Administrative Office: r.palladini@unich.it. They will have to renew the application

The public discussion of the thesis is carried out in front of a Committee appointed by the Director of the Department, following the University's Regulations. The Final Assessment Committee is composed of a

minimum of seven members, and usually, eleven members, appointed by the Director of the Department.

During the graduating session, the student presents and discusses her/his thesis, with the support of a slideshow illustrating the main points of the work (15 minutes). The Final Assessment Committee may ask questions and discuss with each student the work presented. Then, the Committee meets in a private session to define the final grade, expressed on a scale out of 110, according to the Master's Degree Regulations, art. 9.

The deadlines for submitting or the requested documentation are provided in the Academic Calendar for each year, published online at the website: <https://www.disfipeq.unich.it/node/8594>

WRITING GUIDELINES

Page dimension: A4

Margins (up-down-left-right): either 2.5 cm or 3 cm

Font dimension:

- Titles: ranging 14-15pt
- Main text: ranging 12-13pt
- Notes: 10pt

Line-spacing: either 1.5 or 2

Font: Times New Roman or Garamond or Arial or Helvetica or Calibri.

Please, include an index of the contents. Enter the page numbers. The frontispiece should not be included in the page numbering.

The mentor could change the present guidelines as preferred. The student should follow the mentor's suggestions over the present guidelines.

THE FINAL ASSESSMENT

The date of the final assessment will be automatically entered into the online study plan.

DEGREE CERTIFICATE

The degree certificate (Diploma) won't be available right after the public discussion and graduation. Diplomas' availability will be communicated on the institutional website or can be asked by contacting the Student Administrative Office. When collecting the certificate, a 16 euro tax stamp.

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