

Final examination

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Actors

Each final project involves at least two types of actors:

- 1) The **student**, who is responsible for the content, the time management and all the activities needed for the design and development of the thesis. **The thesis can be written by one or two students**
- 2) The **supervisor**, a Professor or Assistant Professor at Politecnico di Milano, who guarantees that the work is relevant and coherent with the expected learning objectives of the MSc in Management Engineering. The supervisor evaluates the work consistently with the evaluation rubrics provided by the School of Industrial and Information Engineering

Further possible actors involved:

- 1) The **co-supervisor**, a research assistant, a professor or any other person who supports the supervisor in supervising the thesis
- 2) The reviewer, who is not involved in the supervision of the student's work and is selected to evaluate the thesis, when requested by the supervisor in line with the requirements of the School of Industrial and Information Engineering

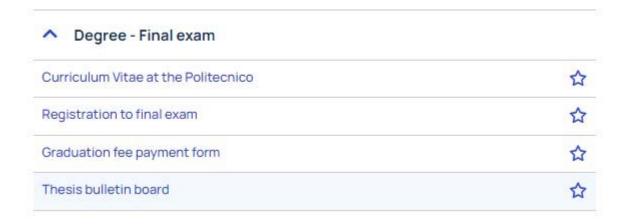
How to find a supervisor

You can find a thesis work:

- Looking at the thesis proposals on the Thesis bulletin board ('Bacheca tesi') online services
- Sending direct e-mails to professors in the research fields you would like to develop your thesis work (even if there aren't thesis proposals on the thesis bulletin board) to ask them for available topics, or suggesting them topics you are interested in

Please, consider that each professor has the possibility to supervise a limited number of theses. To be sure to find a professor available to supervise your work, it is important to get in contact with possible supervisors in advance

Thesis bulletin board



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Final examination

The final examination for the Master of Science consists in the **presentation and discussion**, by the student, **of a thesis providing a theoretical, experimental and/or project-based contribution**, developed in an original way under the guidance of a supervisor

If the thesis is judged by the supervisor to be particularly deserving for its <u>original contents</u> AND for the personal contribution of the student, a reviewer is also involved, and he/she formulates an opinion on the work to be submitted to the graduation committee

Thesis without reviewer

Theses without reviewer can be based on:

- **Empirical activities**, described within a solid theoretical background, leading to relevant implications for academics and practitioners (**on average 50-150 pages**, **MAX 200 pages**, excluding bibliography and attachments)
- **Systematic literature review** in which students analyze the literature on a specific and consolidated topic, providing a synthesis of what has been studied so far, identifying the topics currently under investigation and defining possible future lines of research (**on average 50-150 pages**, **MAX 200 pages**, excluding bibliography and attachments)
- Case study, in which students must find a case (e.g. based on a short internship), identify a specific problem, and formulate a solution by applying models and / or methodologies consistent with the topics of the MSc in Management Engineering (on average 40-50 pages + Digital and multimedia material)

Thesis with reviewer

- A thesis with reviewer is characterized by the development of <u>new knowledge and / or innovative</u> <u>approaches</u> with reference to a <u>topic of interest both to the scientific community and to</u> <u>practitioners and / or policy makers</u>. The work must present a discussion of the results obtained aimed at highlighting the theoretical and practical / managerial implications
- The originality lies in:
 - the critical review of literature
 - the development of research questions, hypotheses, and frameworks
 - new models and empirical evidence
 - the discussion of the empirical results and the implication of the results
- The manuscript lenght on average is between 100 and 150 pages (excluding bibliography and any attachments). In any case, the maximum length allowed is 200 pages (excluding bibliography and any attachments).

Main info

	Without reviewer	With reviewer
Score	Between -1 and 4/110	Between -1 and 7/110 (+ max 1 extra-point in case of excellence)
Evaluation	50% supervisor 50% graduation committee	30% supervisor 20% reviewer 50% graduation committee
Cum Laude	NO	Following the rules of the school (see later)
Presentation	MAX 10 minutes + questions	MAX 15 minutes + questions
Number of authors	MAX 2	MAX 2
Executive summary	Not compulsory, but recommended	COMPULSORY

Cum Laude

ONLY in case of theses <u>with</u> reviewer, the graduation committee may decide to award honors ("cum laude"), if <u>both</u> the the following conditions are true:

- 1. All the members of the graduation committee agree to assign the "cum laude";
- 2. V> max (113 -0.5L, 111), where:
 - V is the final evaluation without rounding
 - L is the number of exams in which the student obtained "cum laude"

Evaluation

The evaluation provided by the supervisor (and eventually the reviewer) is based on evaluation rubrics. The evaluation refers to:

- Contents (theoretical contents, methodology, novelty, discussion of the results, ...)
- Manuscript (thesis structure, clarity of the text, the graphs, ...)
- Personal skills (motivation, personal contribution, autonomy,)
- Extended executive summary

Link to evaluation rubrics (Italian):

https://www.ingindinf.polimi.it/fileadmin/user_upload/upload/Scuola/documenti_regole/Esami_di_laurea/Modello_RELAZIONE_di_TESI_LM_Scuola_3i_per_studenti.pdf

- Should the supervisor belong to the department/course of Management Engineering?
 NO, the supervisor can be from any department of Polimi. Anyway, since every course has its own peculiarities, pay particular attention to the features of the thesis work in Management Engineering, described in our Supplementary regulation
- Can the final thesis be presented as an "article"?

NO, the article format is not allowed. For details about the structure of the manuscript please refer to the Supplementary regulation for Management Engineering

• If we are two students working at the same thesis, do we have to discuss the thesis together?

Usually, the two students present the thesis together, in the same call. But this is not a requirement. The thesis can be presented only after finishing all the exams. If one of the student has not finished all the exams yet, the thesis can be discussed in different calls. Please consider that the manuscript should be uploaded when the first student is ready for the discussion

 Can I do the thesis with a student attending another course (e.g. mechanical engineering, food engineering, etc.) in Politecnico?

Yes, it is possible. In this case, however, the students cannot present the thesis together, because each student should discuss it in front of a commission belonging to his/her study course

Can I do a thesis based on an internship?

Yes, you can. However, please consider that it cannot be just a report of the activities you've done during the internship. The content should be compliant with the requirements described in the supplementary regulation for Management Engineering

Can I choose whether to do a thesis with or without a reviewer?

The final decision is in charge of the supervisor, who evalutes the final work and indicates if a reviewer is needed. However, if you have a preference on the final outcome, we suggest to be clear about your expectations with your supervisor, so that he/she can provide you with coherent indications

If a do a thesis with review, may I choose the reviewer?

No, you can't. Your supervisor is required to indicate some possible reviewers, but the final decision is made by the degree coordinator, who may also select different reviewers than those proposed

Can I do the final presentation online?

Online presentations are allowed only in case of a few limited exceptions. For online presentations you need to get the authorisation from the School: Presidenza3i@polimi.it

Useful links

Guidelines for the final project:

- Supplementary regulation for Management Engineering
 https://www.ingindinf.polimi.it/fileadmin/user_upload/upload/Studenti/REGLOLAMENTI__INTEGRATIVI/R
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- Regulation the School of Industrial and Information Engineering: https://www.ingindinf.polimi.it/en/students/lessons-and-exams/bachelors-and-masters-degree-exams/regulations
- Suggested template for the final thesis and the executive summary on the <u>Website</u> of the School of Industrial and Information Engineering

Evaluation rubrics:

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