



THIRD YEAR PHD HANDBOOK

FINAL EXAM PROCEDURES

1. Within **6 months** after completion: the board appoints **2 external evaluators** (not affiliated with UNICT).
2. By the **10th day of the month preceding** the final deadline: the candidate submits the dissertation to the coordinator, who forwards it to the evaluators along with the evaluation form.
3. By the **10th day of the final month**: the evaluators send their admission report or a deferral recommendation for up to 6 months for final revisions. After 6 months, the thesis is **admitted regardless**, accompanied by the evaluators' evaluation forms.
4. By the **20th day of the final month**: the candidate **submits the online application** for admission to the final examination.
5. By the **last day of the final month**: the candidate **uploads the thesis online** and sends it to the coordinator.
6. The academic board appoints the **final examination committee**: no more than **one-third** of the members may be affiliated with UNICT.

EXTENSIONS

1. An extension of **12 months** or **6 months (renewable once)** may be requested.

FINAL EXAM SESSIONS

1. December / February
2. June / July