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**SUPPLEMENTARY FINAL EXAM REGULATIONS
FOR THE LAUREA MAGISTRALE (EQUIVALENT TO MASTER OF
SCIENCE) PROGRAMME
IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND HISTORY**

**TITLE II
FINAL LAUREA MAGISTRALE (EQUIVALENT TO MASTER OF SCIENCE)
EXAMS AND GRANTING OF QUALIFICATIONS**

Chapter II.1– Type of Final Exam

Art. II.1.2 - Laurea Magistrale (equivalent to Master of Science) study programme final exam: type

The Laurea Magistrale final exam consists of the presentation and discussion of an original thesis, written by students under the guidance of a supervisor, (law 270/04, art 11, subsection 5) of a theoretical or design nature which selects and develops a theme from the relevant Programme of Study and demonstrates the student's analytical, critical and/or design abilities in its written form and discussion.

In the light of the educational trajectory of the fourth semester involving the cross disciplinary contribution of a number of professors and outside elements, the LM in Architectural Design and History does not require a co-examiner.

Laurea theses must be individual. In the event of design or experimental theses, a maximum of two students can write a single thesis, including those registered on different laurea magistrale programmes as long as their individual contributions are recognisable.

An LM thesis consists of a design dissertation or a technical report making up a volume. In both cases theses must be presented with graphic plates - in free form and no fewer than ten in number - summarising its contents.

Theses must be written in accordance with guidelines drawn up by the School's CCS.



Art. II.1.4 - Laurea Magistrale study programme final exam: supervisor

There must be only one supervisor who must also be a member of the Single Board or a tenured university professor teaching on the Programme of Study's specialised, elective or supplementary SSDs relevant to the Board or other SSDs explicitly referred to in the CCS's Supplementary Regulations. One or more co-supervisors, including those from other CUs, can work alongside him or her. Co-supervisors can also be external experts or professors from other Italian or non-Italian universities.

The Supplementary Regulations to the LM in Architectural Design and History do not require prior mark increase proposals and reports from supervisors.

Supervisors are normally integrated into the Operational Board which assesses students.

The LM in Architectural Design and History does not require a co-examiner.

The Supplementary Regulations for the LM in Architectural Design and History does not require the activation of support boards for the pre-assessment of thesis dissertations.

It is the Programme of Study's task to: orient students in their choice of theses and supervisor; guarantee students laurea thesis supervision; where necessary to replace supervisors; monitor thesis time frames and their coherence with the relevant educational credits.

Art. II.1.5 - Final thesis language

The LM in Architectural Design and History is taught in English and dissertations can be written in English or Italian. Where dissertations are written in Italian, all written sections must be accompanied by a full English translation.

Chapter II.2 – Performance of the Final Exam - Final Assessment

Art. II.2.1 (Final Exam: presentation and discussion of thesis dissertation)

The LM in Architectural Design and History requires the presentation and related discussion by the Board of a thesis dissertation in English or Italian, as preferred by candidates who must communicate their decision to the Laurea Board Registrar at the time of registration.

Such presentations must include:

- _ a brief preamble by the supervisor (or co-supervisor);
- _ a presentation of the thesis (maximum 20 minutes) by the candidate (or candidates);
- _ subsequent questions by the members of the Operational Board and the candidate's replies.

It is the task of the President of the Operational Board to ensure that the time frame of thirty minutes for the whole presentation and discussion is respected.

In the event of Joint laurea/LM discussed in the university in which candidates take their other laurea/LM or in exceptional cases, to be decided exclusively by the Dean, Laurea exams can also take place in the absence of the student him/herself by means of remote video IT connections (for example: Skype) on certain identification of the student.