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SUPPLEMENTARY FINAL EXAM REGULATIONS
FOR THE LAUREA MAGISTRALE (EQUIVALENT TO MASTER OF SCIENCE)
PROGRAMME
IN ARCHITECTURE

1. Introduction

The purpose of the present supplementary regulations is to specify the procedures relating to the Laurea Magistrale (equivalent to Master of Science) Exam for the Programme of Study in Architecture - Built Environment - Interiors as required by the **SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS FOR THE FINAL LAUREA AND LAUREA MAGISTRALE EXAMS** of the School of Architecture, Urban Planning and Construction Engineering (herewith Regulations) of which it is an integral part.

1.1 - Final Exam

The Architecture - Built Environment - Interiors Laurea Magistrale Programme of Study concludes with a Final Exam as defined in the subsequent Art. 2.2.

The Final Exam consists in the presentation and discussion of an original thesis elaborated by students under the guidance of a supervisor (Art II.1.4 of the Regulations).

1.2 - Allocation

Students wishing to move on to graduation arrange an appointment with one or more Programme of Study teaching staff for the purposes of identifying a supervisor (Art II.1.4 of the Regulations). In this initial interview the task of teaching staff is to assess students' ideas and guide them on the choice of thesis subject and method, give their own availability or suggest colleagues better suited in their opinion to following the work.

2. Final Exam and Granting of Qualification

For admission to the Laurea Magistrale exam students must have obtained all the educational credits required by their approved study plans. They must also be registered on the academic year relevant to laurea sessions.



2.1 - Final Exam Registration, admission conditions and methods

For admittance to the graduation examination students must:

- register for a laurea session via Online Services;
- submit a thesis online in PDF format via Online Services within the deadline;
- obtain thesis approval. Theses must be officially validated by supervisors via Online Services.

The online deposit of the final version of the thesis in PDF format via the platform BiblioPolimi at the link: <http://www.biblio.polimi.it/>, in: Resources> Thesis> Deposit

2.2– Type of Final Exam

Laurea theses select and develop a subject theme coherent with the educational content of students' programme of study and demonstrate the analytical, critical and design skills acquired by students over their entire programme of study in both written form and discussion and can take design, theoretical-documentary or experimental form.

Design theses are original proposals with minimum requirements as follows: a descriptive report, graphic elaborations and models (analogue and/or digital) of a number and type suitable to a complete elaboration of the project. Theoretical-documentary or experimental theses must contain an original analytical assessment with a critical component, an appropriate bibliography and be accompanied by graphic and iconographical elements.

2.3 - Authors

Dissertations can be individual or group with a maximum of 3 authors studying on the same study programme. In the case of group theses the individual contributions of the various authors must be clearly stated and evident.

2.3.1 - Co-authors

Co-authors whose theses have been presented at a prior exam session must clearly state:

- whether the thesis is identical;
- if the thesis has been extended or in any way modified.

If the thesis has been extended or modified its title must be changed. In either case the personal contribution of the individual author being assessed must be clear.

2.4 - Supervisors

Laurea thesis supervisors must have the characteristics required under the Regulations (Art II.1.4)

In the event that theses require specific in-depth study, one or more co-supervisors may be required. A co-examiner is not required.

2.5 - Language of the Final Thesis

Thesis dissertations must be written and discussed in Italian or English.



For previously approved study programmes (PSPA) in Italian, theses must be written and discussed in Italian. For PSPAs in English, theses must be written and discussed in English.

All thesis dissertations must contain one synopsis in Italian and one in English (Art II.1.5 of the Regulations).

3. Implementation of the Final Exam - Final Assessment

Theses are presented and discussed publicly before the Operational Board by means of a presentation of the material produced.

3.1 - Presentation methods and dissertation submission.

In presenting theses candidates must make use of digital, audio-visual or paper supports. The maximum time available to students for discussion is 30 minutes approx. (40 minutes for groups) including 10 minutes for any questions the Board may have (15 minutes for groups).

Candidates must make at least two paper copies of their thesis files available during the discussion to the Board's members in the online university repository .

3.1.2 – Synthesis elaboration

Starting from the July 2017 Laurea session, in addition to copies of their theses, students must write up a thesis synthesis to be included in a digital archive of the Programme of Study's thesis work. Material may be presented on the School's and Programme of Study's website and used to assign prizes and mentions to the best laurea theses.

Detailed information on the procedures to be followed will be made public on the Programme of Study's site.

3.2 - Exam Session Calendar.

The Laurea Magistrale Study Programme exam session calendar is published on the university site: <http://www.polimi.it/>

Furthermore, the notifications section (<http://www.polimi.it/studenti/avvisi/>) contains guidelines on the applications presentation deadlines, the last available date for registration of exam tests and report submissions at the Registrar's office and exam session dates.

3.3 - Laurea mark calculation procedures.

Laurea marks are calculated in accordance with the methods specified in Art. II.2.2 of the Regulations.



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In the case of theses presented by more than one author, assessments may be unitary or take account, with different marks, of the different design, analytical and general maturity skills demonstrated by each single candidate.

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5. Students registered on disactivated Programmes of Study or PSPAs

For Final Exam procedures, students registered on disactivated PSPAs must refer to the provisions of Art. III.1.3 of the regulations.

6. USEFUL LINKS

<http://www.auic.polimi.it/didattica/esami-di-laurea-e-laurea-magistrale/>

<http://www.polimi.it/studenti/carriera/esame-di-laurea/>

http://www.polimi.it/uploads/media/Guida_Carriera_2015_01.pdf