

With the thesis submission rules you have read about, there are three possible scenarios with the following timelines:

1) New official timeline

- a: By **30 September 2026**: REQUEST for ADMISSION TO FINAL EXAM
- b: By **31 October 2026**: ABSTRACT and THESIS SUBMISSION, SUMMARY SHEET, and PROPOSED REVIEWERS
- c: By **15 December 2026**: APPROVAL by the BOARD and OPINION of the REVIEWERS
- d: By **15 January 2027**: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY REVISIONS REQUESTED by the REVIEWERS
- e: By **FEBRUARY 2027**: THESIS DEFENSE

2) Timeline with 3-month extension (same as last year)

- a: By **30 September 2026**: REQUEST for 3-MONTH EXTENSION
- b: By **31 January 2027**: THESIS SUBMISSION, SUMMARY SHEET, and PROPOSED REVIEWERS
- c: By **31 March 2027**: APPROVAL by the BOARD and OPINION of the REVIEWERS
- d: By **15 April 2027**: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY REVISIONS REQUESTED by the REVIEWERS
- e: By **MAY 2027**: THESIS DEFENSE

3) Timeline with 12-month extension (*only in exceptional cases*)

- a: By **30 September 2026**: REQUEST for 8- to 12-MONTH EXTENSION
- b: By **31 October 2027**: THESIS SUBMISSION, SUMMARY SHEET, and PROPOSED REVIEWERS
- c: By **15 December 2027**: APPROVAL by the BOARD and OPINION of the REVIEWERS
- d: By **15 January 2028**: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY REVISIONS REQUESTED by the REVIEWERS
- e: By **FEBRUARY 2028**: THESIS DEFENSE

As a result, IN ALL CASES, BY 30 SEPTEMBER 2026, PHD STUDENTS OF CYCLE XXXIX MUST COMMUNICATE THEIR CHOICE