

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

1) New official timeline

- a: By 30 September 2025: REQUEST for ADMISSION TO FINAL EXAM
- b: By 31 October 2025: THESIS SUBMISSION, SUMMARY SHEET, and PROPOSED REVIEWERS
- c: By 15 December 2025: APPROVAL by the BOARD and OPINION of the REVIEWERS
- d: By 15 January 2026: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY REVISIONS REQUESTED by the REVIEWERS
- e: By FEBRUARY 2026: THESIS DEFENSE

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

- a: By 30 September 2025: REQUEST for 3-MONTH EXTENSION
- b: By 31 January 2026: THESIS SUBMISSION, SUMMARY SHEET, and PROPOSED REVIEWERS
- c: By 31 March 2026: APPROVAL by the BOARD and OPINION of the REVIEWERS
- d: By 15 April 2026: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY REVISIONS REQUESTED by the REVIEWERS
- e: By MAY 2026: THESIS DEFENSE

3) Timeline with 4- to 7-month extension

- a: By 30 September 2025: REQUEST for 4- to 7-MONTH EXTENSION
- b: From 1 March to 31 May 2026: THESIS SUBMISSION, SUMMARY SHEET, and PROPOSED REVIEWERS
- c: By 31 July 2026: APPROVAL by the BOARD and OPINION of the REVIEWERS
- d: By 31 August 2026: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY REVISIONS REQUESTED by the REVIEWERS
- e: By SEPTEMBER 2026: THESIS DEFENSE

4) Timeline with 8- to 12-month extension (*only in exceptional cases*)

- a: By 30 September 2025: REQUEST for 8- to 12-MONTH EXTENSION
- b: By 31 October 2026: 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

As a result, IN ALL CASES, BY 30 SEPTEMBER 2025, PHD STUDENTS OF CYCLE XXXVIII MUST COMMUNICATE THEIR CHOICE