

Final oral examination (disputation)

If you are still studying based on study regulations introduced *prior* to 2013, after turning in your Master's thesis, there will be an oral examination by an examination committee. It includes a presentation and a defense of your thesis. The oral examination is graded, and will contribute as 20% of your final grade (the Master's thesis grade then 80%).

Access to supervisors' comments

Supervisors provide a written review of the Master's thesis. You can access the review from the examination office. Since your final oral examination serves as a presentation and defense of your thesis, you are required to refer to the critique expressed in the supervisors' comments

Date

The date of the final oral examination will be determined by the examination board and announced to you as a written invitation.

Duration

The final oral examination takes 30 minutes. It is open to the all members of the university unless you formally request otherwise.

Content

The final oral examination consists of the presentation and defense of your thesis.

Grading

Completion of the final exam accounts for 30 ECTS credit points. If you have a defense, the grade for the thesis equals four fifths of the final grade and the grade for the oral examination equals one fifth.

The Oral Examination Committee

Your oral examination committee consists of either two examiners or one examiner and one assessor. The committee will be appointed by the examination board as best suits your thesis topic. At least one member of the committee has to be the supervisor of your thesis.

Examiners of the oral examination

All faculty members of the Institute of Sociology, and/or lecturers of the Master's program, holding at least a PhD may serve as oral examiners.

Assessors of the oral examination

All faculty members of the Institute of Sociology and/or lecturers of the Masters program may serve as assessors.