



**Erasmus Mundus MSc. HLST
Procedures for Assessment of Dissertations
for Partner Universities
February 2012**

Dissertation

Relevant guidelines for the dissertation document can be found at
<http://sites.google.com/site/lctmalta/university-of-malta-basic-information>

Board of Examiners

The assessment of MSc dissertations at University of Malta is carried out by a Board of Examiners that comprises:

- Internal Examiner 1 (Chariman)
- Internal Examiner 2
- Internal Examiner 3
- External Examiner (if judged necessary)

UoM handles the internal examiners. The external examiner, if appointed, must not come from either UoM or the partner University but may come from other consortium members or else any other University. All examiners has to read and grade the dissertation. All examiners are paid a standard fee.

Defence:

The student gives a 40 min presentation and answers questions from the Board of examiners. If necessary we this can be carried out over skype.

Final Classification

The degree is classified by the external examiner, taking account of grades on dissertation as well as taught units, as one of

- Pass with Distinction
- Pass with Merit

- Pass
- Fail

Important Dates

- December-February: Student communicates title, abstract and name of supervisor at partner University to UoM Local Coordinator
- February – UoM appoints Local Supervisor
- March: Identification of External Examiners
- July: Submission Deadline: July
- July – September Defence:
- Final Classification: October - December
- Release of UoM Diploma/Diploma Supplement and Local Graduation (optional): November of following year (unless in time for current year)
- HLST Graduation: May

Communication with UoM

The student is not expected to follow the exact timetable of a UoM local student except as regards final submission. It is important that any request for extension be addressed to the UoM local supervisor in good time. Remember also that the final submission at UoM has to be **with permission of the local supervisor**.

However, intermediate documents (progress reports, literature review, preliminary submission) submitted at the partner University should also be sent (email) to the UoM local supervisor.

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