



Guidelines for external Bachelor / Master Thesis

The final thesis work is integral part of the study programmes in Physics and Applied Physics at the Institute of Physics (IoP). Typically, the final thesis (research phase) is conducted in a research group at the IoP or at an affiliated research institution under the supervision of a professor (Hochschullehrer/in), apl professor (außerplanmäßige/r Professor/in) or habilitated researcher (Privatdozent/in) at the IoP or affiliated to the IoP (co-opted member).

On request by the student the examination committee (Prüfungsausschuss) may also accept that the final thesis is pursued at an external research institution under external supervision. In this case the student has to file an application for an external thesis fulfilling the following requirements:

- The student nominates and contacts an **external supervisor**
[professor (Hochschullehrer/in), apl professor (außerplanmäßige/r Professor/in) or habilitated researcher (Privatdozent/in)]
- The student nominates and contacts an **internal supervisor**
[professor (hauptamtliche/r Hochschullehrer/in) at IoP]
The internal supervisor agrees to act as second examiner of the thesis.
- Both supervisors sign the application form.
- External supervisor and student hand in a **written exposé** (project outline, approx. one page) that
 - summarizes the project and clearly demonstrates that the topic is adequate for a thesis in physics
 - demonstrates that the project can be completed within the set time frame
 - states that the host institution provides the required infrastructure
 - states that qualified supervision is provided

The examination committee will decide on the application and informs the student about their decision.