Scheduling the master's thesis (MT)

Students must choose one of the two offered periods (six or nine months) when applying for the master's thesis. For the nine-month period specific data collection relevant to answer the research question is compulsory. Theses that do not meet the criteria have a period of six months. (Study guidelines MSD 2017, section 4.4.6.5).

Prior to the application of the MT students must do a credit point check with the coordination office MSD. For details see fact sheet on graduation (available on the website MSD/downloads MSD 2017).

Consider the following steps/deadlines when submitting the application for your master's thesis (MT).

Period semester	submission of application of master's thesis	latest registration of: 49078 Research Design Master's Thesis	latest registration of: 52317: Presentation of Concepts of Master's Thesis (coll. B)	latest date of start: submission of LC MT within 3 weeks after approval	latest date of handing in the thesis	latest registration of: 53982: Presentation of Results of Master's Thesis (coll. C)	a) semester of graduation b) graduation ceremony[1]
6 months (application MT in fall)	meeting of teaching committee (TC) in September or end of October/beginning of November	former semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	at latest 3 weeks after approval of application MT	6 months later dep. on starting day March-May	spring semester of submission of MT; presentation is usually done on the first or second date offered for the master's colloquia	a) spring semester b) June if MT is submitted until beginning of March; otherwise in December
6 months (application MT in fall)	meeting of teaching committee (TC) in December	same semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	15. January at latest	6 months later dep. on starting day 15. July at latest	spring semester of submission of MT; the presentation of the results is done during the last date of the master's colloquia (usually in June).	a) spring semester b) December

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[1] The graduation ceremonies are organized twice a year, they take place at the end of the semester.

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6 months (application MT in spring)	meeting of teaching committee (TC): February/March or April	former semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	at latest 3 weeks after approval of application MT	6 months later dep. on starting day September--November	Fall semester of submission of MT; presentation is usually done on the first or second date offered for the master's colloquia	a) fall semester b) December if MT is submitted until beginning of September otherwise in June
6 months (application MT in spring)	meeting of teaching committee (TC): at the end of spring semester in May/June	same semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	at latest 3 weeks after approval of application MT	6 months later dep. on starting day November until around mid-December at latest	fall semester of submission of MT; the presentation of the results is done during the last date of the master's colloquia (usually in December).	a) fall semester b) June
9 months (application MT in fall)	meeting of teaching committee (TC) in September or end of October/beginning of November	former semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	at latest 3 weeks after approval of application MT	9 months later dep. on starting day June until around mid-July at latest If the submission is later, the semester of graduation will be in the next fall, the graduation ceremony will be in December	spring semester of submission of MT; presentation is to be done during the last date of the master's colloquia (usually in June)	a) spring semester (or fall semester, for details see column on latest submission date on the left) b) December

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Period semester	submission of application of master's thesis	latest registration of: 49078 **Research Design Master's Thesis**	latest registration of: 52317: Pre-sentation of Con-cepts of Master's Thesis (coll. B)	latest date of start: submission of LC MT within 3 weeks after approval	latest date of handing in the thesis	latest registration of: 53982: Presen-tation of Results of Master's Thesis (coll. C)	c) semester of graduation d) graduation ceremony[3]
9 months (application MT in fall)	meeting of teaching committee (TC) in December	same semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	15. January at latest	9 months later dep. on starting day 15. September at latest	fall semester of submission of MT; presentation usually done on the first or second date offered for the master's colloquia	a) fall semester b) December
9 months (application MT in spring)	meeting of teaching committee (TC): February/March	former semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	at latest 3 weeks after approval of application MT	9 month later dep. on starting day November until December at latest	Fall semester of submission of MT; presentation is usually done on the first or second date offered for the master's colloquia	a) fall semester b) June
9 months (application MT in spring)	meeting of teaching committee (TC): April or May/June	same semester as application MT	same semester as application MT, the presentation of concept is to be done during the master's colloquia following the approval of application MT	at latest 3 weeks after approval of application MT	9 month later dep. on starting day January or February	Usually in spring semester; presentation is usually done on the first date offered for the master's colloquia (it is also possible to do it in the former fall semester, on the last date of the master's colloquia)	a) spring semester b) June

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