

## Submission Blocks for PhD Thesis 2026

<b>1. Block</b>	Proposal of Members of the Examination Committee	24 November 2025
	<i>Thesis Submission</i>	05-08 January 2026
	Suggestion of Possible Defense Dates	15 January 2026
	Defense	March / April 2026

<b>2. Block</b>	Proposal of Members of the Examination Committee	7. January 2026
	<i>Thesis Submission</i>	16-19 February 2026
	Suggestion of Possible Defense Dates	26 February 2026
	Defense	April / May 2026

<b>3. Block</b>	Proposal of Members of the Examination Committee	23 March 2026
	<i>Thesis Submission</i>	04-07 May 2026
	Suggestion of Possible Defense Dates	14 May 2026
	Defense	July 2026

<b>4. Block</b>	Proposal of Members of the Examination Committee	08 June 2026
	<i>Thesis Submission</i>	20-23 July 2026
	Suggestion of Possible Defense Dates	30 July 2026
	Defense	September / October 2026

<b>5. Block</b>	Proposal of Members of the Examination Committee	17 August 2026
	<i>Thesis Submission</i>	28 Sept. - 01 Oct. 2026
	Suggestion of Possible Defense Dates	08 October 2026
	Defense	November / December 2026

### Proposal of Members of the Examination Committee

You can propose members for the Examination Committee. The proposal form must be submitted for consideration by the doctorate examination board no later than six weeks before the intended thesis submission. Note that a proposed committee may occasionally not be accepted by the board and new members may have to be found. This is something you do not want to do in the final stages of writing.

### Suggestion of Possible Defense Dates

The defense can take place at the earliest three weeks after the Examination Office has received all reviews and should, if possible, not be held later than six months after submission of the thesis. We kindly ask you to submit suggestions for defense dates, which you have already confirmed with the examiners, no later than a week after the thesis. An email to the examination office is sufficient. This allows us to find a chair for the examination on one of your desired dates. The lecture hall NC 02/99 is reserved for defenses every Thursday (until 2p.m) and Friday (whole day) during the entire year. If you are planning for other weekdays, you need to arrange the room yourself.