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**UNIVERSITY INTEGRATED UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE
STUDY OF MEDICINE IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**GRADUATION THESIS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025**

GRADUATION THESIS

Students of the University Integrated Undergraduate and Graduate Study of Medicine in English language complete their studies by writing a graduation thesis and passing the graduation exam. Students do not have to defend their thesis publicly. However, the thesis is evaluated by the Graduation Thesis Evaluation Committee.

Students choose the topic of their thesis in agreement with the mentor and fill out the *Application form for registration of graduation thesis topic*. The completed form must be submitted via the [Merlin](#) platform no later than **December 13, 2024**. Students complete the information for application for registration of graduation thesis topics via the link and QR code (no later than December 13, 2024).

<https://forms.office.com/e/cvteTRmkD>



The mentor for the thesis can be a professor appointed in a scientific-teaching rank. In addition to the appointed mentor, a co-mentor holding an associate rank can be exceptionally appointed as a senior assistant (postdoctoral research assistant) with an academic degree of Doctor of Science registered in the Croatian Database of Registered Scientists.

The Vice Dean for Teaching approves the submitted thesis topics, confirms the proposed members of the Graduation Thesis Evaluation Committee and publishes the list of approved thesis topics on the Faculty of Medicine's website until **January 31, 2025**.

Students must submit their graduation thesis in electronic form (.doc or .pdf) to the mentor. According to the Decision of the University of Rijeka, the mentor verifies the graduation thesis originality through the [Turnitin software](#) (CLASS. NO.: 007-01/22-01/13; REG. NO.: 2170-57-03-22-23).

After the verification, the mentor fills out the *Report on the originality verification of student work*. If the thesis meets the originality requirements according to the mentor's opinion, the Report is issued as positive. If the thesis does not meet the originality requirements according to the mentor's opinion, the mentor returns the thesis to the candidate for revision.

Mentors enter data about students' graduation theses into the ISVU system. Data can be entered into the ISVU system after the thesis topic has been approved and no later than **May 29, 2025**.

After the student completes their thesis, the Graduation Thesis Evaluation Committee fills out the *Form for graduation thesis evaluation* by giving a joint numerical grade and a final opinion. The student submits the *Form for graduation thesis evaluation* signed by all members of the Committee and the *Report on the originality verification of student work* (Turnitin) through the [Merlin](#) system no later than **June 27, 2025**.

Students are obligated to store the approved version of their thesis in the [Repository of the Faculty of Medicine in Rijeka – Dabar](#) in open access until **June 27, 2025**. After the thesis has been uploaded, students should contact the Biomedicine and Health Library to obtain a certificate of the completed storage in the repository. In case the paper undergoes revisions after it is published, you must send the revised version to the mentor's e-mail address and to kbz@medri.uniri.hr.

IMPORTANT!

Documents must be filled electronically and the title of the thesis written in capital letters.

Application form for registration of graduation thesis topic

GRADUATION THESIS TOPIC REGISTRATION

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General student information and contact	
Student name and surname	Enter student name and surname
Student ID number (JMBAG)	Enter student ID number
Mobile phone	Enter mobile phone number, e.g. 09x xxxxxxxxx
E-mail address	Enter e-mail address

1. TITLE OF THE PROPOSED TOPIC
Enter graduation thesis topic

2. PROPOSED MENTOR
2.1. Mentor
Academic title, name and surname
Enter mentor's academic title, name and surname
Department
Enter mentor's department
2.2. Co-mentor (*teacher with the associate position of senior teaching assistant)
Academic title, name and surname
Enter co-mentor's academic title, name and surname
Department
Enter co-mentor's department

3. PROPOSED MENTOR'S CONSENT WITH THE REGISTRATION OF THE GRADUATION THESIS TOPIC

I hereby consent to the registration of the graduation thesis topic.

Mentor's signature

Department head's signature

Student's signature

4. GRADUATION THESIS EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Academic title, name and surname

1. Enter Committee president's academic title, name and surname (President of the Committee)
2. Enter Committee member's academic title, name and surname
3. Enter Committee member's academic title, name and surname

Form for graduation thesis evaluation

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General student information	
Student name and surname	Enter student name and surname
Student ID number (JMBAG)	Enter student ID number

1. GRADUATION THESIS TOPIC
Enter graduation thesis topic

2. FINAL OPINION
Enter final opinion on the graduation thesis evaluation

3. GRADUATION THESIS GRADE (e.g., excellent (5), A, 95%)		
Numerical grade (2-5)	Letter grade (A-D)	Percentage of acquired knowledge, skills and competences
Enter numerical grade with description, e.g., excellent (5)	Enter letter grade, e.g. A	Enter percentage of acquired knowledge, skills and competences, e.g., 95%

4. Graduation Thesis Evaluation Committee	
Academic title, name and surname, institution, country:	Signature:
<p>1. Enter Committee president's academic title, name and surname, institution, country (President of the Committee)</p> <p>2. Enter Committee member's academic title, name and surname, institution, country</p> <p>3. Enter Committee member's academic title, name and surname, institution, country</p>	
Rijeka, Enter date	

GRADUATION THESIS FORMATTING INSTRUCTIONS

The thesis should be written in electronic form (Word document), standard size (A4, 210×297 mm). The text should be written in Times New Roman CE font, size 12, with 1.5 line spacing, justified, written from the beginning of the line (without indenting the first line of the paragraph), with margins of 2.5 cm.

The graduation thesis should contain a minimum of 15 pages and a maximum of 50 pages (not counting the title pages, table of contents, list of abbreviations and acronyms). If the graduation thesis contains too many tables and figures, the number of pages can be increased by up to 20% (a maximum of 10 more pages).



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Thesis mentor: (mentor's name and surname, academic title and scientific-teaching rank)

The graduation thesis was graded on _____ in _____, before the Committee composed of the following members:

1. _____ (Committee Head)
2. _____
3. _____

The graduation thesis contains _____ pages, _____ figures, _____ tables, _____ references.

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Optional pages

The fourth page is optional and can contain a preface, acknowledgment or dedication. The preface should contain information important for the research, e.g., the name and designation of the project based on which the research was conducted.

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Thesis table of contents

The thesis table of contents should contain the titles of chapters and sections and their page numbers.

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List of abbreviations and acronyms

All the abbreviations for terms used in the thesis should be listed in alphabetical order. The title of the thesis shouldn't contain abbreviations unless their meaning is well-known.

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The graduation thesis consists of didactically structured chapters. Depending on the type of thesis (review paper, professional paper, scientific paper), it should have the following components:

Review paper

Introduction
Aims and objectives
Literature review
Discussion
Conclusion(s)
Summary
Literature cited
CV

Professional paper

Introduction
Aims and objectives
Participants and study design (Materials and methods)
Results
Discussion
Conclusion(s)
Literature cited
CV

Scientific paper

Introduction
Aims and objectives
Participants and study design (Materials and methods)
Results
Discussion

Conclusion(s)

Literature cited

CV

Summary is written after the conclusion and briefly (one page, no more than 250 words) presents the most important points of the thesis. Below the summary, keywords are listed in alphabetical order and separated by a comma.

Literature (references) are different sources of knowledge (articles, books, websites, legal regulations, etc.). The list of references is written after the summary. You must indicate in the thesis which literature was used in the writing of the thesis.

Vancouver style should be used for citing and referencing. In this style, references are listed numerically according to the order in which they appear in the thesis.

The reference number used in the text is indicated in round brackets (1). When several references are used simultaneously, all the numbers of the references used are written in brackets (8–10, 15, 17).

Citation rules and examples of the most frequently used reference sources

References are cited as follows:

Citing books

Printed books:

Šolić F, Žauhar G. Fizika za medicinare. 2. izd. Rijeka: Medicinski fakultet Sveučilišta u Rijeci; 2013.

Križan Z. Kompendij anatomije čovjeka. 3. izd. 3. dio, Pregled građe grudi, trbuha, zdjelice, noge i ruke: za studente opće medicine i stomatologije. Zagreb: Školska knjiga; 1997.

Electronic books, available online:

Patrias K, author; Wendling D, editor. Citing Medicine: The NLM Style Guide for Authors, Editors, and Publishers [Internet]. 2nd edition. Bethesda (MD): National Library of Medicine (US); 2007. [updated October 2, 2015; accessed November 4, 2018] Available from: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK7256/>

Chapters from books/papers from proceedings:

Kone BC. Metabolic basis of solute transport. U: Brenner BM, Rector FC, eds. Brenner and Rector's the kidney. 8th ed. Vol. 1. Philadelphia: Saunders Elsevier;c2008. p. 130-55.
Christensen S, Oppacher F. An analysis of Koza's computational effort statistic for genetic programming. U: Foster JA, Lutton E, Miller J, Ryan C, Tettamanzi AG, editors. Genetic programming. EuroGP 2002: Proceedings of the 5th European Conference on Genetic Programming; 2002 Apr 3-5; Kinsdale, Ireland. Berlin: Springer; 2002. p. 182-91.

Journal articles

Printed journal articles:

Sigelman CK, Schoenrock CJ, Spanhel CL, Hromas SG, Winer JL, Budd EC, et al. Surveying mentally retarded persons: responsiveness and response validity in three samples. *Am J Ment Defic.* 1980; 84(5): 479-86.

Electronic journal articles, available online:

Halpern SD, Ubel PA, Caplan AL. Solid-organ transplantation in HIV-infected patients. *N Engl J Med* [Internet]. July 26, 2002 [accessed November 4, 2018]; 2002;347(4):284-7. Available from: <https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMs020632>

Kuohung W, Hornstein MD. Overview of infertility. U: UpToDate, Barbieri RL ed. UpToDate [Internet]. Waltham, MA: UpToDate; 2018 [accessed November 4, 2018] Available from: <https://www.uptodate.com>

Citing a webpage:

Cancer-Pain.org [Internet]. New York: Association of Cancer Online Resources, Inc.; c2000-01 [updated May 16, 2002; accessed July 9, 2002]. Available from: <http://www.cancer-pain.org/>

For additional questions regarding citing and referencing in the graduation thesis, you can contact the Library of the Faculty of Medicine in Rijeka.

CV should be written in the third person singular and shouldn't contain more than 200 words.

Appendices and supplements

Appendices allowed as supplements to the thesis are tables and figures. All other appendices (schemes, graphs, diagrams, representations, etc.) must be classified as one of the two allowed groups. They are numbered in the text with Arabic numerals in the sequence in which they appear throughout all chapters of the thesis. They are usually placed right next to the text in which they are described and are only exceptionally attached as an appendix at the very end (e.g., a computer printout of the program as an attachment, questionnaire, etc.). All attachments must be titled.

Titles of figures are always written **BELOW** the figures, and titles of tables are always written **ABOVE** the tables. The titles of figures and tables must be self-explanatory, so abbreviations and symbols that are not interpreted in the same place or immediately below (for tables) must not be used in the titles. If you use illustrations or tables retrieved from publications by other authors, you **MUST** cite the exact source (copyright protection) and authors in the list of references.

A smaller number of simple mathematical equations fits into the text of the thesis. If the thesis contains a larger number of more complex equations, they are placed into separate lines within the text and numbered without special additional labeling.