

Instructions for licentiate examination at MBW

These instructions for licentiate examination in Molecular Bioscience are in accordance with the “General study programme for PhD-studies in Molecular Bioscience” and follow the guidelines of the Faculty of Science (SUFV-4.9-1201-20) for examination of licentiate thesis.

Rules concerning the licentiate examination

The licentiate thesis has to be presented in a public seminar at the department.

An examiner, an opponent and a third evaluator are appointed.

There should be an evaluation committee (“bedömmargrupp”). The evaluation committee is composed of three members (examiner, opponent and third evaluator).

The examiner decides the grade (PASS/NOT PASS).

The opponent should be from another department.

All members must hold a PhD degree, the examiner and third evaluator should be “Docent”.

The supervisors cannot be members of the evaluation committee but can chair the licentiate seminar. One of the supervisors participates initially at the evaluation committee meeting but cannot participate at later discussions.


Rules of gender and conflict of interest apply as for PhD defense.

Rules concerning the preliminary review

According to the rules of the Faculty of Science, the department should carry out a preliminary review of the contents of the licentiate thesis and recommend whether the student should proceed to the public defense. MBW has delegated the preliminary review to the director of PhD studies.

The requirements for a licentiate examination at MBW are:

- 1) At least 25 theoretical credits at the doctoral level.



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2) A licentiate thesis that should formulate a scientific question and present original research in at least one manuscript (not necessarily published). The quality of the manuscript(s) should be at such a level that meets the expected requirements to be accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed scientific journal.

Instructions for the planning of the licentiate seminar

1- At least five weeks before the date of the defense, the PhD student should send to the director of PhD studies a short description of the work that is going to be included in the thesis (articles, manuscripts) for preliminary review. Authors, title and abstract should be provided for each piece of work. For manuscripts or articles with several co-authors, the contribution of the student should be specified. The director of PhD studies will evaluate the material and issue a recommendation within one week.

2- At least five weeks before the licentiate defense, the main supervisor will suggest the composition of the evaluation committee (examiner, opponent and third evaluator) to the director of PhD studies. The department will then appoint the committee within one week.

3- At least three weeks before the licentiate defense, the licentiate thesis must be sent to the evaluation committee and should be made available at the department. The summary of the licentiate thesis should be published in DIVA.

4- The licentiate seminar has to be announced at the department at least three weeks in advance.

5- The PhD student is responsible for booking a lecture hall for the licentiate seminar and a room for the committee meeting after the seminar. This information should be forwarded to the MBW administration at least three weeks before the seminar.

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