

Bachelor in “Animal Care – [Tutela del benessere animale]”

FINAL EXAM REGULATIONS

Premise

The Bachelor regulations in Art. 5, paragraph 1, establishes the Final Exam rules. The Final Exam for the Bachelor in Animal Care can consist of the presentation and discussion of a report, developed under the supervision of a Reference Professor, which:

- beginning from pertinent scientific and documentary knowledge, contains a critical revision focused on the activities developed during the traineeship at external host organization. The report for the Final Exam does not replace the Traineeship Final Report;
- is related to parts of experimental projects or topics linked to the learning objectives of the Bachelor; the report is allocated by a Reference Professor;
- contains a critical revision of scientific literature on a topic linked to the learning objectives of the Bachelor.

Professors can preventatively communicate type of topics available as Final Exam report, using the accessible course webpage on the School of Agricultural Science and Veterinary Medicine website. In light of the experience gained during the study course, students can also suggest a topic, identifying an available reference professor with the major cultural affinity.

Art. 1 – Final graduation mark determination

The final graduation mark is given on a basis of 110th and consists of the sum of:

- the weighted average of the exam marks (WA), including the free elective exams autonomously chosen by the student, weighted with the assigned credits (ECTS) and related by 110, according to the following formula:

$$(\Sigma \text{ exam mark} \times \text{ECTS} / \Sigma \text{ ECTS}) \times 110/30$$

- the increase of the mark, given on a basis of 110th as well, according to the following table:

Criteria	Maximum points
Career speed ¹	3
Reference Professor's evaluation	1
Preparatory Commission's evaluation	3

Training period abroad and/or training project ²	3
Traineeship Commission evaluation	2
Total	12

¹3 points for Final Exam taken within October in the third academic year from the University enrolment; 2 points for Final Exam taken within the following December; 1 point for Final Exam taken within the following February. The Graduation Commission assesses potential career speed points to give to graduates who have gained recognitions of previous careers.

²In case of credits gained during an Erasmus: 3 points for the acquirement of an ECTS number greater than 24; 2 points for the acquirement of an ECTS number included between 13 and 24; 1 point for the acquirement of a minimum number of ECTS equal to 12; in case of Traineeship at an institution abroad: 2 points for the acquirement of an ECTS number equal to 12; 1 point for the acquirement of an ECTS number lower than 12; in case of documented participation in teaching and learning official project: 2 points for the active involvement in the whole project activities; 1 point for the participation in the project required activities.

0.5 points are added to the weighted average (WA) for each laude.

The rounding is done only once, at the end of the sum itself and is calculated by the immediately higher unit if the first decimal is equal to or higher than 5, otherwise by the lower unit.

Art. 2 - Reference Professor

1. The Reference Professor supervises the student during the Final Exam report writing.
2. He/she is usually suggested by the student or allocated according to criteria established by the Bachelor Council.
3. Reference Professors can be professors who teach in any study courses coordinated by the School of Agricultural Science and Veterinary Medicine or a study course which involves professors of the Departments of Agripolis Campus.
4. The Reference Professor communicates the mark who he or she intends to give to the Final Exam report according to the modalities and deadlines established by the competent teaching structure, in order that it is included in the Graduation Commission's paperwork.

Art. 3 - Graduation Commission

1. The Director of the Reference Department appoints the Graduation Commission, which is composed of at least five members selected among the professors of the Course of Study. The President of the Course of Study or his/her delegate shall act as the President of the Graduation Commission. The Reference Professor

can't be part of the Graduation Commission. For each graduation session, a number of Graduation Commissions proportionate to the number of graduate students shall be appointed.

2. The Graduation Commission has to evaluate the presentation and the thesis work with a test that has the same features of an exam that will last a maximum of 20 minutes, to establish the final graduation mark, summing up the marks as outlined in Art. 1 of the present regulations, to attribute the potential laude and to proclaim the graduate students.

3. The laude is automatically attributed if the student exceeds the score of 112/110 points. If the score is higher than 110/110, the laude is given if the graduate has gained the maximum score both from the Reference Professor and the Graduation Commission.

Art. 4 – Graduate

1. The graduate has to complete the graduation application according to the deadlines established annually by the university and competent teaching structures.

2. The graduate digitally files the Final Exam report in the modalities and deadlines established by the competent teaching structure.

3. The graduate attends the Final Exam day with the Graduation Commission, according to the calendar established by the competent teaching structure.

4. On the School of Agricultural Science and Veterinary Medicine website, the graduate can find:

- general instructions and guidelines for the Final Exam report writing;

- modalities and deadlines for the Final Exam report presentation, Final Exam registration and participation to the announcement session.

Art. 5 – Transitional Rules

1. The present regulations apply to all students enrolled starting from the academic year 2017-2018 included.