

## **Regulations of MSc Research Project**

- 1. According to the study plan of the master in physics, PHY 699 is a research project to be taken by student in Semester 4.
- 2. Thus, the student should complete successfully the first three semesters before he is allowed to register in PHY 699.
- 3. Student's research project is supervised by a faculty member; this task accounts for 4 hours weekly of supervision.
- 4. The student completes his project by providing a written report and by making an oral presentation which occurs during the final exams period.
- 5. The graduate committee proceeds with research project preparation by the middle of Semester 3. Form 1 is sent to faculty members to fill in and their suggested proposals are collected.
- 6. The graduate committee then invites students to select a research project consistent with the scientific track. Priority will be given to students with higher grades. Research projects are distributed to students two weeks prior to Semester 3 final exams.
- 7. Once Semester 3 final grades are released, the student and his supervisor fill in Form 2 for official assignment.
- 8. As soon as the research project draws to a close, the supervisor submits his mid-term report according to Form 3, attributes a mark out of 40, and nominates three faculty members to form the examining board and the committee chooses two of the three nominated names. Furthermore, the supervisor checks the plagiarism level of the project. A maximum of 30% is tolerated. Elsewhere, the student must make modifications in his project to fulfill this condition.
- 9. The graduate committee assigns the discussion committee and proposes a date for project presentation. Form 4 is filled in and then approved by the head of the department of Physics.
- 10. The oral presentation takes 60 minutes and consists of 40 minutes for project presentation and 20 minutes for questions by the examiners. Every member of the discussion committee should write his own evaluation of the student according to Form 5.
- 11. The student may be asked to make modifications and improvements on his scientific report.
- 12. Three copies of the final version together with a CD are handed over to the graduate committee.

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## **Attached forms**

Form 1: MSc research project proposal.

Form 2: Project formalization. Form 3: Written evaluation.

Form 4: Defense committee.

Form 5: Oral evaluation.