The Last Sprint Towards Your Doctoral Degree

From the pre-examination to the after-party

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Congratulations
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- thesis writing
- pre-examination
- appointment of the opponent
- publishing of the thesis dissertation
- waiting for public examination
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Schedule from pre-examination towards the public defence

- Application for pre-examination is to be submitted 12 days before the pre-examination starts. DPC will appoint the pre-examiners. (approx. 2 weeks)
- Pre-examiners evaluate the dissertation manuscript and give their statements. (6 weeks)
- DPC will decide on permission to publish the dissertation in its email-meeting. (approx. 1 week)
- Publishing and printing of a dissertation, meanwhile writing the dissertation release. (1-2 days)
- Dissertation is publicly displayed 10 days before the public defence. (approx. 3 weeks)
- The Chair of the DPC appoints the opponent on proposal of supervising professor. (10 days)
- Public defence. (1 day)

Please note! All times are minimum times; schedule times may be extended due to e.g. summer time, holidays and making corrections to dissertation manuscript during the pre-examination or printing process.

Note: If pre-examiners statements and/or evaluation of DPC have significant disagreement over granting permission to publish or doctoral candidate has made a remark on the statements of the pre-examiners, decision is made in DPC meeting (held once a month).

Degree will be awarded approx. within one month from the defence.
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After pre-examination

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3. *Preparation for the defense and karonkka*
Public examination preparation

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- dissertation defense room
- dissertation release
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- **there is never enough time to do everything at the week of your examination**
Karonkka Preparation

1. venue (restaurant or caterer)
2. menu and diet restrictions of guests
3. program during the karonkka
   ▶ toast
   ▶ dinner
   ▶ speeches
4. cost
5. invitations
Public examination

Just enjoy the show
Tips

- It helps to help and it helps to get help
- Lectio is your chance to explain your work to your grandma
- If things (like karonkka arrangements, seating arrangements, defense attire etc.) can be done in advance, then do it
- Get to know your opponent
- Breathe!