

Revision of the Graduation Application procedures

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(A) GRADUATION APPLICATION

- 2 windows open each year during which students can apply for a thesis advisor before starting to write their thesis.
 - Each window remains **open for 1 month**, during which every student must formalize their application online.
- Students can apply to a maximum of 3 professors.
- Before the opening of each call, professors will communicate 3-4 broad topics of interest within which students can develop their proposals.
 - For example: "The new European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS)", avoiding overly generic references such as "non-financial reporting" or "sustainability reporting."
 - It is also helpful to include indications on methodological approaches.
 - The goal is to stimulate students' creativity while guiding them toward current research topics.
- Where? In the "Proposed Theses" section (e.g., https://www.unibo.it/sitoweb/gabriele.pizzi/teachings?tab=tesi)
- It is also possible for students to apply for a thesis **on open topics** (if allowed by the professor in the Proposed Theses section), but there is a greater risk of the proposal not being accepted.
- Once the thesis application is formally accepted by the professor and confirmed by the student,
 the student is officially under the professor's supervision for the thesis.



(B) TIMELINE

Professors publish the broad areas on their webpage (one month before the call opens)

Through the Qualtrics workflow, professors receive immediate notification of each thesis application submission (and the Coordinator has access to the Summary Report to monitor the situation)



Professors have 14 days from the closing of the call to accept or reject the applications received, notifying each applicant via email.



