

# **GUIDELINES for PhD thesis submission in IRIS UniGe**

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The PhD thesis submission in IRIS UniGe is a necessary requirement for admission to the final exam, replaces the delivery of the print thesis and fulfills the mandatory legal deposit at the National Libraries of Rome and Florence, according to what provided for by MIUR Circular n. 1746 of 20 July 2007.

The PhD theses are published in open access at the end of the career or at the latest within twelve months of the discussion.

You have therefore to fill the bibliographic data and to upload your Phd thesis final version PDF in the IRIS UniGe Institutional Archive

#### **REMEMBER**

Your PhD thesis drafting must comply with the law on copyright and the rules on intellectual property rights. Therefore:

- √ images must be low resolution or degraded
- ✓ if you insert texts, graphics or photos that are not yours, you need the
  authorization of the relative author
- ✓ if you have to insert whole articles, including one's own, it is preferable only to
  quote them in the text or in the references
- ✓ if the thesis has been published or is in the process of being published by a commercial publisher, it is necessary to check whether, and under what conditions, the publisher allows it to be uploaded in institutional archives such as IRIS UniGe.
- ✓ you have to use the same attention for other types of agreements, such as confidentiality agreements with companies that have granted your research or patents.

For more details on intellectual property rights, write to phd\_iris@unige.it

## **TERMS**

You must file the bibliographic data and the PDF file (s) of the final version of your PhD thesis starting **ONE MONTH BEFORE THE DEFENCE DATE**.



You can refine your submission and replace the PDF file(s) of the thesis **WITHIN 15 DAYS FROM THE DISCUSSION DATE** 

## **4 STEPS TO NOT GO WRONG**

The submission of the PhD thesis in IRIS UniGe consists of 4 online steps:

- 1. Login IRIS UniGe
- 2. Fill the PhD thesis bibliographic data
- 3. Upload of the final version PDF file(s) of the PhD thesis
- 4. Improvement of the PhD thesis submission

# 1. Login IRIS UniGe

The first step to submit your PhD thesis in IRIS UniGe is Login.

- Follow the website path: <a href="https://iris.unige.it/">https://iris.unige.it/</a> → Login (top on the right) → insert your unigePASS credentials



#### **NOTE**

If you have problems accessing IRIS UniGe or you don't have the license to work on your Desktop products, mail to IRIS@unige.it

## 2. Fill the PhD thesis bibliographic data

The second step is to fill you PhD thesis bibliographic data in IRIS UniGe. This will also ensure that you can access IRIS UniGe without any issues and will get you familiar with the system. **Don't wait for the last moment to try!** 

Let's begin.

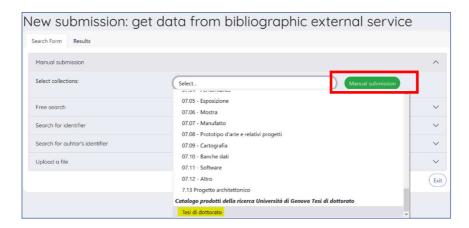
- Click: Nuova pubblicazione (top on the left)





The "New submission: get data from bibliographic external service" tab will open:

Select the collections  $\rightarrow$  Tesi di dottorato (the last option)  $\rightarrow$  Manual submission



- Tab 1. Describe. Mandatory fields (preceded by the symbol \*): Titolo della tesi (= PhD thesis title) and Data di discussione della tesi (= defence date) → Next
- Tab 2. Describe. Mandatory fields (preceded by the symbol \*): Lingua (= Language), Ciclo di dottorato (= PhD Program Cycle), Corso di dottorato (= PhD Program), Strutture dell'Ateneo (= PhD Program Department), Settori scientifico-disciplinari della tesi (= PhD thesis Scientific-disciplinary sectors -Italian specific code), Abstract (= English Abstract). Optional fields: Anno Accademico (= Academic Year), Centri di ricerca (= Research Centers), Settore concorsuale (= Italian specific code for academic tenure), *Ulteriori informazioni* (= Further information) → Next

## **TO KNOW**

- Strutture dell'Ateneo means the Department of the PhD Program and any other internal University Structure involved.
- to fill in the Ciclo di dottorato and Corso di Dottorato fields you have to choose from the drop-down menu.
- to fill in the Strutture dell'Ateneo and Settori scientifico-disciplinari della tesi fields, simply start typing and selecting the proposed content.
- to fill in the **Language** field you have to choose from the drop-down menu.
- The Abstract field in ENGLISH is mandatory to make your thesis submittable in other national and international digital archives. Eventually you can add Abstract in Italian or in another language.
- DOI Code and NBN Code fields do not need to be filled in by you. The system will complete them automatically at a later time.



#### **NOTE**

✓ if you do not find the collection "Tesi di dottorato", mail to IRIS@unige.it

Tab 3. Describe. Mandatory fields (preceded by the symbol \*): Autore (= Author), Coordinatore del corso (=PhD Program Coordinator). Optional fields, but to be filled in anyway: Tutor (= PhD thesis UniGe supervisor) &/or, Tutor esterno (= PhD thesis NO UniGe supervisor, only if presents) → Next

#### **TO KNOW**

For the Autore (= Author), Coordinatore del corso (=PhD Program Coordinator) and Tutor (= PhD thesis UniGe supervisor) fields, simply type the first letters of the surname, wait for the list of matching names to appear, and select the correct one. The Tutor esterno (= PhD thesis NO UniGe supervisor) field, on the other hand, is a free-compiling text field.

#### **NOTE**

✓ if you can't find your name in the **Autore** field, mail to <u>IRIS@unige.it</u>

- At the end of each tab, save the data by clicking on the "Next" button.

## **TO KNOW**

- ✓ Try to fill in the describe tabs with accuracy and completeness, because this will make your PhD thesis more visible and findable through search engines.
- ✓ At any time, by pressing the "Cancel/Save" button at the bottom of the page, you can stop and save ("Save it, I'll work on later" button) what you have entered, to continue later

Now, you can proceed to upload your thesis file

# 3. Upload of the final version PDF file(s) of the PhD thesis

The third step is to upload your thesis file(s). The version you upload in IRIS UniGe must be the **final one**!



# This is done in **Tab 4. Upload**

- <u>Submit: Upload a File</u> upload your file(s) from your computer, as you do for any storage system. The format file must be PDF <u>without protection</u> (password or similar), must be less than 20 MB (if greater, you must divide it into several parts) and must be renamed as follows:
  - single file: you have to rename the file phdunige\_yourIDnumber.pdf (e.g. phdunige 1234.pdf)
  - <u>2 or more files</u>: you have to rename the files phdunige\_yourlDnumber\_1.pdf;
     phdunige\_yourlDnumber\_2.pdf ... (e.g. phdunige\_1234\_1.pdf; phdunige\_1234\_2.pdf)

If you upload 2 or more files, you need, after uploading the first file, to click on "Add another file". In this case, we recommend that you specify better what your files contain by filling in the "Descrizione" field to facilitate subsequent consultation (e.g. Chap. 1-3)

- Tipologia: you have to choose the last entry "Tesi di dottorato"
- <u>Trasferimento sito docente</u>: you have to choose "No"
- <u>Impostazioni di accesso</u>: in IRIS UniGe you can choose when to make your thesis accessible, deferring the access to a time after the defence date (embargo period)
  - if you want your thesis to be immediately accessible after the defence date, choose the "Accesso aperto" option.
  - if you want to postpone accessibility, choose the "*Embargo*" option, setting the expiration date via the calendar.
    - The embargo must be calculated starting from the defence date: *e.g. discussion date* = 2020-06-24, 6 months embargo period = 2020-12-24.
- Click "Next" → if you have no more files to upload, click "Next" again

#### **ATTENTION!**

- ✓ Files in a format and/or name other than those specified here will not be accepted
- ✓ Check your file size. In IRIS UniGe it is **NOT** possible to upload files **larger than**20 MB
- ✓ It is not recommended to divide the thesis into too many files.

## **TO KNOW**

To define the access policy for your PhD thesis, remember that:

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- ✓ the maximum embargo period is 12 months.
- ✓ you can apply the embargo only in specify motivation: patent reasons, editorial reasons, reasons of priority research (subject to agreement with third parties), reasons of public security / sensitive data, privacy reasons
- ✓ if you need an embargo period, you must send the Request for embargo period to phd\_iris@unige.it, also signed by your supervisor (the form can be found on the website: <a href="https://openscience.unige.it/OpenAccess/tesi">https://openscience.unige.it/OpenAccess/tesi</a> dottorato)

## Here are two insights:

- Policy on open access to the scientific literature of Genoa University, art. 9:

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- Guidelines for the PhD thesis submission in open archives CRUI "The consultation of Phd Thesis is a right that may have some limited, temporary, motivated limitations [...] Some theses cannot be made public for various reasons, not only related to patents:
  - a) there are parts of theses that have already been submitted to an editor and are awaiting publication;
  - b) there are theses financed by external bodies that have rights over them and their publication.

In both cases the problem is resolved with an embargo (up to 12 months), after which the thesis is still made freely available."

For more information you can go to the website: https://openscience.unige.it/OpenAccess/tesi\_dottorato

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- <u>Tab 5. Verify</u>: Check carefully the bibliographic data you have entered and the file(s) you have uploaded: it is the last point where you can make changes!

#### **TO KNOW**

✓ At any time, click the "Cancel/Save" button at the bottom of the page and you can stop and save ("Save it, I'll work on later" button) what you have entered, to continue at a later time. You will find your PhD thesis in the Desktop prodotti → Bozze

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- ✓ if you click "Next" button you will NOT be able to modify and upload anything, to reopen your submission, you will have to mail to phd\_iris@unige.it
- ✓ The submission of the PhD thesis must be completed at least 15 days before the scheduled defence date

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# - Tab 6. License → Terminate

Remember that the PhD thesis submission in IRIS UniGe is a necessary requirement for admission to the final exam. In order to submit the thesis, it is mandatory to sign the IRIS UniGe license.

#### **NOTE**

The documents present in IRIS UniGe are protected by the Italian law on copyright (law n.633/1941) and, unless otherwise specified, they can be used and reproduced ONLY for study and research purposes and with the obligation to mention the source.

The rights to use the contents of the thesis can be extended by adopting one of the Creative Commons licenses. The Creative Commons license can be inserted on the first page of the thesis.

## - You are done. Your PhD thesis is submitted in IRIS UniGe!

You'll find it in your **Desktop prodotti** → **Pubblicazioni in validazione**, with "In validation" status and an unique identifier (handle).

#### **ATTENTION!**

✓ To apply for the final exam with a view to obtaining a Doctoral Degree, you will need to report the unique identifier (handle) of your submission in IRIS UniGe. If you need information on the Final Exam Application, mail to: altaformazione@unige.it

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# 4. Improvement of the PhD thesis submission

If you need to modify / complete the bibliographic data and / or replace the version of the file (s) of your PhD thesis, you must write to phd\_iris@unige.it.



The librarians will reopen your submission and you can improve / correct it from **Desktop prodotti** → **Bozze** → **Actions** (gear icon) → **Completa inserimento** 

#### **ATTENTION!**

✓ The submission of the PhD thesis must be completed at least 15 days before the scheduled defence date

# **FAQ**

1) I saved my submission with "Cancel/Save", I'll work on it later. Where can I find my PhD thesis?

You will find your PhD thesis in the **Desktop prodotti** → **Bozze** 



- 2) I saved my submission with "Bozza" status. How do I complete it?
- Desktop prodotti → Bozze → your PhD title → gear icon "Actions" → Completa inserimento



Your PhD thesis submission will open in entry mode.

3) I need an embargo period. How do I get it?

If you need an embargo period, you have to:



- download the embargo period request form, available online at: <a href="https://openscience.unige.it/OpenAccess/tesi">https://openscience.unige.it/OpenAccess/tesi</a> dottorato
- fill it in, sign it and have it signed by your supervisor and mail it to phd\_iris@unige

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#### **ATTENTION!**

✓ Remember to send the form by the defence date, otherwise the embargo period cannot be authorized

4) To apply the online application for the final exam, you have to enter in the notes field the URL obtained by submitting my PhD thesis in IRIS UniGe. Where can I find it?

After completing the submission (all Tabs, Tab 6. License → Terminate), you will find your submission in Desktop prodotti → pubblicazioni in validazione



Click on your PhD thesis title and the Short form will open, with a summary of the data you have entered.

The URL that you will need to copy in the Notes field of the online application can be found in the **in the blue box** at the top right





#### **CONTACTS**

For administrative informations on PhDs and PhD career management

Servizio segreterie studenti - Settore dottorato di ricerca

Piazza della Nunziata, 6 - Genova +39 010 209 5795

Mailto: altaformazione@unige.it Website: PhD programmes

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 - 12:00; Tuesday 9:00 - 11:00 e 14:30 - 16:00

For informations on how to submit in IRIS UniGe and on intellectual property rights

University Library System - Digital Library and Open Access Office Via Balbi, 6 - Genova +39 010 209 51554

Scholarly publications Services: PhD theses (via Teams, UniGe network)

Website: openscience.unige.it
Mailto: phd\_iris@unige.it

# For informations on IRIS UniGe

Servizio supporto alla ricerca - Settore Monitoraggio e supporto alla valutazione della ricerca Via Balbi, 5 - Genova +39 010 209 5209

Mailto: @unige.it

## **TO KNOW MORE**

- UniGe Open Science portal
   http://openscience.unige.it/OpenAccess/tesi\_dottorato
- Policy on open access to the scientific literature of Genoa University, art. 9: <a href="https://unige.it/sites/contenuti.unige.it/files/documents/Regolamento\_open\_access.pdf">https://unige.it/sites/contenuti.unige.it/files/documents/Regolamento\_open\_access.pdf</a>
- Guidelines for the PhD thesis submission in open archives CRUI <a href="https://www.crui.it/images/bibliotche/linee">https://www.crui.it/images/bibliotche/linee</a> guida deposito tesi dottorato.pdf
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