



## PREAMBLE

According to the Study plan and the applications directives, the Master in Economics includes a Master Thesis. This document provides guidelines about the content of the Master Thesis project, the content of the Master Thesis as well as the oral defense.

With regard to prerequisite, deadlines, registration, evaluation and retake procedure, please consult the '**Application Directives**', available on [GSEM website](#).

## MASTER THESIS PROJECT

The Master Thesis Project is to be organized around the following elements in this order:

- Master Thesis title
- Student's name
- A short background on the topic with a brief literature review
- The research question
- Methodology
- Data
- Key references

It should be maximum three pages long.

## CONTENT OF THE MASTER THESIS

The student then works under the guidance of the Master Thesis Director.

## DEFENSE

When the Director feels that the student is ready to defend, the Director should invite a second jury member to evaluate the Master Thesis. The Director, the second jury member and the student should all agree on a date for the defense. The defense is public and open to all.

The Program Coordinator will book a room and prepare the announcement. The student needs to approve, [online](#), the '**Code of Ethics for students regarding borrowing, quoting and using various sources**'. This document is available, for consultation, on [GSEM website](#). The program coordinator posts the defense information on the public board outside the GSEM Student Services' reception.

After the defense, the Director and the jury member agree on a grade, complete and submit the '**Master Thesis Evaluation**' online form, through the GSEM Student Intranet.

## QUESTIONS

All questions can be sent to [gsem-masters@unige.ch](mailto:gsem-masters@unige.ch)