

Rules for MSc thesis projects at DTU:

Duration: 30 ECTS corresponds to 5 month. Extension of 3 weeks per 5 ECTS course taken in parallel.

Specific starting days: No later than right after finishing the last coursework. January: first working day or first working day after 3 week courses. August: first working day or first working day after 3 week courses.

Student is responsible for finding supervisor, but can always ask head of studies/line responsible for suggestions. The project is reported in the DTU project database at least 2 weeks before the starting date by the supervisor after agreement of the project formulation with student.

Oral defence of around 30 minutes presentation by student followed by 45min-1½ hour questions supervisor and censor. Defence should take place at DTU, preferably within 2 weeks after handing in the thesis. Thesis and defence receives one common grade (7 scale)

External censoring for all projects. It's the responsibility of supervisor to find censor.

Sustainable Energy+ISEE students

Introduction to thesis work/rules and some suggested projects are provided in the fall (around 45 minutes in October) with the student responsible for contacting relevant supervisors. Projects can be carried out at DTU or with companies but students have to look that up for themselves. Main supervisor must always be from DTU. Thesis work is unpaid, and in general there are no funding for the thesis work expenses. In some cases DTU Departments have available desks, but it is not guaranteed.

For the wind track the master's thesis project must be carried out at DTU Wind Energy, DTU Management or DTU Mechanical Engineering (section of energy technology).

For the solar track the most relevant are from DTU Energy or DTU Physics.

Long text for students (general DTU)

You should make an agreement with your prospective thesis supervisor sometime in the semester before you plan on starting your master thesis. The agreement should be made at least two weeks before the scheduled start date – but the sooner the better. You should note that the agreement is not final until it has been registered in the system by your supervisor and you have received a receipt. Please pay attention to the fact that the thesis is a full-time course of study and the stipulated time is 5 months (30 points), 5, 5 months (32, 5 points); 6 months (35 points) As a general rule you should not conduct any parallel activities in this period. Nevertheless, in case you lack up till 15 points (besides the thesis) the period may be extended with 3 weeks study for every 5 additional ECTS-points from course activity. When you and your supervisor have agreed on a project period including a submission date it is final and can only be changed in case of unforeseen delays during the project period. Contact your supervisor or the study counsellors if you against expectations should find yourself in this situation. The date of the oral defence should be planned well ahead of the submission date and must take place no later than 14 days after the submission.