



Study Programme: Communication and Media Studies (in English)

Level of education (BA/MA): MA

Valid from (for students admitted in): in 2023 and thereafter

MA thesis and final examination requirements

Thesis requirements

The thesis is an independent scientific or professional work of the candidate, the topic of which is determined by the thesis adviser and the candidate from the field of study taught at the Department. It displays the knowledge of the candidate acquired in the MA Program, the literacy of the candidate in the international literature of the given scientific and/or professional question, and the analytic skills of the candidate in the interpretation of cultural products in the fields of humanities or cultural industries. All cases where a student's work is suspected of plagiarism will be brought to the Board of Review of the Faculty of Humanities.

Formal requirements:

Length: minimum 72.000 characters, maximum 80.000 characters without spaces at a spacing of 1.5 and font size 12. A +15% exceeding of the length may negatively influence the value of the work. MA theses should be submitted electronically. The title page of the thesis must include the name of the author; the title of the MA thesis in Hungarian as well as in the language of the degree program; the name of the university, the faculty as well as the name of the program; the name of the thesis adviser; and the year of submission of the thesis.

Assessment:

Assessment is of a five-grade scale. During the evaluation, the referee must take into account whether the author has adhered to the prescribed requirements concerning content and form. The factors relevant for grading are:

- standard literature references with a Bibliography
- a text in English divided into chapters with a table of contents and conclusion (theme choice, research question, method, discussion, result)
- 10-line abstract
- attached is the supervisor's note about the student attendance at supervision classes
- statement about the originality of the submitted work

Content requirements:

- relevant topic in media and communications
- the topic discussion is based on relevant international literature in English
- the discussion is based on original research
- proper academic language (in English)

Final Exam requirements

Prerequisites for the final examination

The prerequisites for the final examination are:

- completion of the study unit list and exams specified in the curriculum for the programme (with the exception of the final examination)
- fulfilment of all training and completion requirements
- Thesis submitted by the deadline, marked with a pass grade
- returning all property borrowed from the university (book/overdue fine to the library, items to the Film Studio)

Requirements for the MA final examination

The final examinations are conducted orally.

Components of the Final Examination

Assessment is on a five-grade scale. The final exam, which follows the completion of all the units and the submission of the thesis, consists of the **thesis defence** (the answer to the critique), which includes a review of the professional knowledge related to the thesis topic.

Evaluation and grading of final examination

Assessment is on a five-grade scale.

Grades received at the Final Examination: The grade received for the thesis defence.

Overall result (final grade) of the Final Examination: The grade received for the thesis defence.

Degree certificate

The diploma grade is awarded on the basis of the arithmetic average of three grades: the grade awarded for the thesis evaluation; the grade awarded for the thesis defence at the final examination; and the grade awarded for the subject "Project work 3." (BMI-MEDD-143) carried out as part of the programme, rounded to two decimals in accordance with HKR 84§ (6).

Determining the Diploma grade:

As specified in Section 84. (6), the diploma is classified according to its average down to two decimals:

- **outstanding (5)**, if the average is 4.80–5.00,
- **excellent (5)**, if the average is 4.50–4.79,
- **good (4)**, if the average is 3.50–4.49,
- **satisfactory (3)**, if the average is 2.50–3.49,
- **pass (2)**, if the average is 2.00–2.49.