

Master's Degree Dissertation

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Teaching groups languages

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Prerequisites

It would be convenient if the student had completed all the modules of the master's degree.

Objectives and Contextualisation

The purpose of the Master's Thesis (TFM) is to carry out research that demonstrates the acquisition of advanced skills in the field of psychopedagogy. This objective will be achieved through the planning, development, and evaluation of an empirical study that includes the collection, treatment, and analysis of real data. This TFM seeks to identify areas for improvement in educational guidance and psycho-pedagogical counseling, providing practical evidence and suggesting evidence-based interventions.

Learning Outcomes

1. CA24 (Competence) Generate questions and hypotheses in the face of new research challenges, demonstrating originality in the way they are approached by means of psychopedagogical tools that meet individual and social demands.
2. CA25 (Competence) Design, implement and evaluate a research project in the field of formal or non-formal education on the basis of an exhaustive investigation that allows for the generation of psychopedagogical orientation.
3. CA26 (Competence) Generate innovative and competitive proposals in professional practice in specific educational contexts, making use of research tools from the psychopedagogical field.
4. CA27 (Competence) Communicate using non-sexist and non-discriminatory language.
5. KA17 (Knowledge) List the characteristics of the research designed and implemented through which psychopedagogical guidance and interventions are carried out.
6. SA31 (Skill) Analyse information obtained through different means, especially through data analysis, qualitatively or quantitatively, in order to make judgements and provide guidance.
7. SA32 (Skill) Plan different activities related to the design and development of research in the psychopedagogical field, with adequate management of time and resources.
8. SA33 (Skill) Communicate orally and in writing the results of one's own work, its conclusions and the knowledge and rationale behind them to specialised audiences in a clear, concise and unambiguous manner.

Content

1. Identification and justification of the research problem in the field of psychopedagogy.
2. Theoretical-practical analysis of the psycho-pedagogical context in which the problem is framed from a bio-psycho-social perspective.
3. Planning, development, and evaluation of an empirical study that identifies possible areas of improvement in the field of educational guidance and psycho-pedagogical counseling.
4. Preparation of the research report developed.
5. Presentation and public discussion of the research.

Activities and Methodology

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Tutoring	17	0.68	CA25, CA26, CA27, KA17, SA33, CA25
Workshop	12	0.48	CA24, CA26, CA27, SA32, SA33, CA24
Type: Autonomous			
Report	120	4.8	CA24, CA25, CA26, CA27, KA17, SA31, SA32, SA33, CA24

The Master's Thesis will be a work of inquiry and/or empirical research, conceived as a self-training activity, which demonstrates the acquisition of advanced skills in the field of psychopedagogy and allows the identification of areas for improvement in educational guidance and psychopedagogical counseling. This work will be carried out individually.

The first step will consist of choosing the research topic and assigning the teaching staff who will supervise and tutor the TFM. In the first semester, students must indicate their preferences. The coordination of the TFM, taking into account the demands of the students and the experience of the teaching staff, will carry out the assignment. During December, students will contact the assigned tutor to agree on the details of the topic and establish the work process.

The training activity will be developed based on the following dynamics:

- Active participation in the methodological seminars of Research Week (February, the 4th, 5th, and 6th) to facilitate the design and preparation of the TFM
- Specialized face-to-face, collective, and/or individual tutorials for guidance and support with the TFM
- Personal study of individual depth with the chosen topic
- Bibliographic inquiry. Reading and critical analysis of the bibliography linked to the topic
- Empirical inquiry
- Written presentation and public discussion of the work carried out before a Committee.

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Assessment

Continuous Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Assessment of the professor	10%	0	0	CA25, CA26, KA17
Defense of the report	25%	1	0.04	CA27, KA17, SA33
Report	50%	0	0	CA24, CA25, CA26, KA17, SA31, SA32, SA33
Self assessment	5%	0	0	CA24, CA26, CA27, SA33
Tutoring	10%	0	0	CA24, CA26, CA27, SA32, SA33

Assessment of the dissertation will be carried out via the activities presented in the study plan. The development of the master's dissertation will be based on the tutorial work.

The candidate and tutor will agree on a schedule of at least three meetings in order to monitor the candidate's work and progress, in addition to mandatory participation in the methodological seminars of Research Week (beginning of February).

The final grade will be the average score of the planned activities. The candidate will need a minimum of five in all activities carried out during the development of the dissertation to pass.

Delivery date of Report: The first fifteen days on July (Tribunal Call-July) and the first week on September (Committee Call-September).

Final TFM defense date: second or third fortnight of July (Tribunal-July call) and first or second week of September (Tribunal-Setembre call).

Single assessment

This subject/module does not provide for a single assessment system.

Bibliography

Depending on the topic chosen by the student, the reading and analysis of complementary bibliography will be recommended.

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Software

Jamovi: <https://www.jamovi.org/>

Nvivo: <https://www.qsrinternational.com/nvivo-qualitative-data-analysis-software/home>

Language list

Information on the teaching languages can be checked on the CONTENTS section of the guide.