## **GRADUATION THESIS PROCEDURE**

(according to the Article 35 of the Rulebook on the organization of integrated academic studies of medicine in English)

Completion of the graduation thesis consists of writing and defending the graduation thesis

The topics for student graduation theses are proposed by members of Departments of the Faculty of Medicine who are involved in Studies of Medicine in English. Complete list of mentors and graduation thesis topics is available at <a href="http://studiesinenglish.med.bg.ac.rs/moodle/course/view.php?id=67">http://studiesinenglish.med.bg.ac.rs/moodle/course/view.php?id=67</a>

Students select their graduation thesis topic during the final year of studies, and no later than the beginning of semester XII. The chosen topic is entered into the student index booklet.

The defence of the graduation thesis is public and is to be carried out before a Committee consisting of three members. One member of the Committee is the Mentor, while the remaining two shall be appointed by the relevant departmental Course Director from amongst the teachers and associates of the Faculty of Medicine participating in Studies of Medicine in English, in agreement with the Mentor.

Students submit their completed graduation thesis to the Committee, which grades the said thesis within 15 days. If the Committee positively assesses the graduation thesis, in agreement with the student the Committee determines the date when the graduation thesis will be defended, and a public defence of the graduation thesis is scheduled through the Studies of Medicine in English administrative coordinator. The date and place of the graduation thesis defence should be published on the Faculty of Medicine Internet page.

After the defence, the graduation thesis is graded by the Committee with a descriptive grade (defended/not defended).

Upon successful defence of the graduation thesis, the student has to submit an electronic copy of the said thesis to CIBID (Center for Publishing, Libraries and Informatics Activities of the Faculty of Medicine in Belgrade) and shall receive a certificate to this effect.

## REMARKS

A student is relieved of writing and defending the graduation thesis in the following instances:

- the student has written at least two student research articles during the course of their studies, wherein they are the first author in at least one of the said articles, or
- the student has published one article in a peer-reviewed journal.

There must be written proof of the said articles

Only student research papers that have passed Faculty of Medicine review may replace the graduation thesis.