

57E99905 Master's Thesis Seminar

Presentation Guidelines

There will be altogether two presentations for this seminar:

- (1) Research Plan presentation, where you discuss the topic of your research and the reasons for exploring it, and
- (2) Final Presentation, whereby you present the outcomes of your research and the main conclusions.

Below are some points that should be included in the presentations.

Research Plan Presentation (~10-15 min):

- Research topic
- Background information on previous research in the field
 - Literature that you have consulted or plan to refer to
- Goals of your research
 - Contribution to the existing material on the subject
 - Application to practical problems
- Framework of the research
 - Methods you plan to apply
 - Work plan and schedule
- Expected results

The Research Plan Presentation will take place some time during your thesis-writing process. Its main purpose is to present the topic/area of your research to the other seminar participants and to hopefully get constructive comments from them and the professors on your next steps.

Research Results Presentation (~20-25 min):

- Brief summary of the research topic/area
- Summary of the used methods
 - Benefits/detriments of using these methods
- Overview of the research results
 - Expected/unexpected, viable?
- Theoretical contribution of the research
 - Framework extension/generalization,
- Empirical applications of the research
 - Increased efficiency, lower costs, technical improvements, etc.

The Research Results Presentation is held when you have practically finished your thesis and are ready to submit it for evaluation. You are expected to summarize your research topic, applied methods, findings, and possible theoretical or empirical contributions. Comments after the presentations may last for an extra 10-15 minutes.