GENERAL ELEMENTS

The thesis for the Bachelor in Animal Care can consist of a report, developed under the supervision of a Reference Professor, which:

- a) beginning from pertinent scientific and documentary knowledge, contains a critical revision focused on the activities developed during the traineeship at external host organization. The report for the Final Exam does not replace the Traineeship Final Report;
- b) is related to parts of experimental projects or topics linked to the learning objectives of the Bachelor; the report is allocated by a Reference Professor;
- c) contains a critical revision of scientific literature on a topic linked to the learning objectives of the Bachelor.

The thesis must be written in English and must be of a suitable length for the activity carried out (approximately 15 sheets, 30 pages, including Figures and Tables).

The thesis relating to critical revision of activities developed during the traineeship (a) must include:

- Index
- Summary (for a maximum of 300 words);
- Introduction (maximum 6 pages): introduction to the type of activities performed during the traineeship;
- Critical revision of the selected activities, possibly organized into subsections (maximum 20 pages);
- Conclusion (maximum 1 pages);
- Bibliography.

The thesis relating to parts of experimental projects (b) must include:

- Index
- Summary (for a maximum of 300 words);
- Introduction (maximum 6 pages): introduction to the experimental project performed;
- Materials and Methods (maximum 10 pages): description of the methodologies used;
- Results and Discussion (maximum 10 pages);
- Bibliography.

The thesis relating to critical revision of scientific literature (c) must include:

- Index
- Summary (for a maximum of 300 words);
- Introduction (maximum 3 pages): introduction to the topic of the bibliographic research;
- Discussion of the topic, possibly organized into subsections (maximum 20 pages);
- Conclusion (maximum 1 page);
- Bibliography.

TEXT PRESENTATION FORMAT

On the cover and the title page you will put the data provided for the title page on the webpage of the course (Title Page AC).

The text of the thesis is typewritten on sheets in A4 format (210 mm x 297 mm), using both sides (two pages per sheet). A useful area of the page must be defined, established by the dimensions assigned to the white margins (horizontal and vertical) of the sheet.

For the internal edge of each page, the final binding must be taken into account, providing a space of 10-15 mm higher than the outer one. In this regard, it is convenient to ask to the bookbinding that will perform the binding.

The number of lines has to be at least 25 lines per side, with at least 60 characters per line. The line spacing used is 1.5 and the text is justified.

The pages must be numbered and the numbers must be placed on the bottom edge of each page, in a centered position. All pages of the text are numbered with Arabic numerals. All pages of the text are counted for numbering purposes; however there is no page number on the title page, on the pages that contain only a title and on the white pages interposed.

INDICATIONS FOR PRINTING AND BINDING

No hard copies of the thesis is required. In case the student wishes to deliver a hard copy to the thesis Supervisor/commissions, it must be signed by the Supervisor (Reference Professor) and the graduating student, and be handed over to the commission.

The hard copies of the thesis must be glue binding in light cardboard, no spiral binding or other formats that allow the removal or replacement of sheets. They must be signed by the thesis supervisor on the title page.

Thesis binding's color is at the discretion of the Supervisor (Reference Professor). It is advisable to use a laser printer. Figures and graphics can be colored.

INDICATIONS FOR PRESENTATION

The presentation of the thesis must be done following the indications provided by the Supervisor (Reference Professor). The presentation times are normally 12-15 minutes for the Bachelor degrees. Graduates who intend to use a PowerPoint presentation during his/her thesis discussion will have to come prepared with the presentation saved in a USB pen drive. The file containing the presentation must be named with the surname of the graduating student, in order to facilitate the identification once copied on the PC.