

Obtaining a supervisor for your master's thesis (ECON4090)

Academic supervision is a compulsory part of writing your master's thesis at the Department of Economics. All supervision agreements must be approved by the Master's committee at the Department. It is advisable that you start the process of obtaining a supervisor the semester before you start writing your master's thesis.

You have two options when it comes to obtaining a supervisor; finding a supervisor yourself among the academic staff, or having a supervisor appointed to you by the Master's committee.

1 Finding a supervisor yourself

Contact one of the academic staff and ask if he or she is willing to supervise your thesis. If you get a positive answer, please send an e-mail to the student advisor, ingunn.skjerve@econ.uio.no, in order to get the Agreement of supervision.

Please use "Supervision" as the heading for the e-mail and include the following information:

- 1) Your name
- 2) Name of your supervisor
- 3) Preliminary title for your thesis (might be changed afterwards)
- 4) When you are planning to hand in your thesis (month and year)
- 5) Attach a copy of your project proposal (approximately 1 page)

You will receive an e-mail from the student advisor when the Agreement of supervision is ready and can be picked up at Office no 1213, 12th floor Eilert Sundt's house. The agreement needs to be signed by you and your supervisor, before it is returned to the student advisor, who sends it to the Master's committee for a final approval. You will get a copy of the signed Agreement

2 Getting a supervisor appointed

Please send an e-mail with the heading "Supervision (and your name)" to masterkomite@econ.uio.no and include the following information:

- 1) Your name
- 2) Preliminary title for the thesis (might be changed afterwards)
- 3) When you are planning to hand in your thesis (month and year)
- 4) The courses you have taken (with the Course codes and titles)
- 5) Your project proposal (as an attachment with your name as the title)

The Master's committee will use this information to find a supervisor for you. Please note that this might take up to 3 weeks, and even longer during the summer (June to August) and in peak periods. When a supervisor has been appointed to you, it is important that you contact him or her as soon as possible to discuss your project. When your supervisor has approved your project, please contact the student advisor to obtain an Agreement of supervision. Please follow the procedure under "1 Finding a supervisor yourself"