

MA Thesis 2026

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Overview Dates

March	
Mon 16 March	Exhibition Concept Workshop
Thu 19 March	Deadline Exhibition Concept
Mon 23 March	Exhibition Concept Feedback
April	
Thu 02 April	Deadline Final Exhibition Concept
Mon 23 April	Deadline Exhibition Concept
Mon 06 April	Revised Exhibition Concept > Material will be ordered
Mon 20 April	Deadline Leih devices order
May	
Mon 04 May	Deliverable: Teaser images, 4 teaser statements, abstract (max 500 characters!) on the Filer (for DDE website, important because abstract is being proofread externally) + add invitees to Business Apéro Excel (will be sent out)
Mon 18 May	Fill out exhibition supervision slot, paint pedestals
Mon 25 May	Start Exhibition Build-up & deliverable final changes to teaser images and abstract (for DDE and IAD website)
June	
Mon 01 June	Exhibition layout review (walk through with mentors), timeslot tbd
Wed 10 June	Exhibition must be picture ready for 360° capture + Deliver Exhibition Manual on Filer at 17:00
Wed 10 June, 12:00	Setup finished (fire police checks entire exhibition)
Thu 11 June	Vernissage (17.00 opening by the president, 18.00 exhibition spaces open)
???? 16.06.25	Exhibition Deliverables wann??
18 June	Business Apéro - Participation mandatory (quick project presentation - walkthrough with industry guests)
26 June	Graduation Ceremony
Sat 27 June	Exhibition Take-down & return Leih devices (Leih open from 10.00-16.00)
Mon 29 June - 01 July	Return pedestals, walls etc (if applicable)

Deliverables

Deliverables have to be uploaded on the Filer, if not stated otherwise.

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Exhibition Deliverables

This deliverable is a documentation of your Master's Exhibition. Think of it like any other project deliverable.

- Text
 - Project Title, max. 100 characters
 - Short Description, min. 250 - max. 400 characters
 - Project Description, min. 1000 characters
 - Contributors, full names of collaborators, mentors and supporters
- Images
 - min. 10 high-res images showing different aspects of your installation
 - min. 10 high-res images showing your process
 - [PNG, JPEG, TIFF]
- Prototype Documentation (e.g. Figma files, code, process images, etc.)
- Presentation (if applicable at this time, your final presentation as .pptx, Keynote or PDF)

Thesis Deliverable

- Full MA Thesis text and documents (including updates and rewrites, with final reflection on practice)
- 2x hard copies, delivered to the IAD office room 4C.01
- Digital copy uploaded on the Filer
- Declaration of Autonomy: Signed declaration of autonomy, template can be found on the Filer.

Expenses

Please be aware that your expenses can only be refunded if you submit the complete documents with the final deliverables. 500 CHF per student will be reimbursed. Included in this budget is also the the iMac/iPad renting fees (250.-/150.-) during the exhibition, as well as the thesis printing fee. The reimbursement happens only after controlling the Final Deliverables. Submission of receipts and proof of payment to Karin Luginbühl .

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