

ABOUT EXAMS

MID-TERM ASSESSMENTS

During the course, two mid-term assessments are programmed, to be held at lecture time, in the classroom. Each test is passed with grades no less than 15/30. If the average of the two tests is no less than 18/30, the student is exempted from the written exams, in the academic year in which the mid-term assessments were passed. The exemption expires at the end of the academic year to which it refers. In case of failure, it is not possible to repeat a mid-term assessment test at a later time, nor is it possible to extend the validity of the exemption to the next academic year.

The first mid-term assessment test concerns the lattice properties of solids.

The second mid-term assessment test concerns the electronic properties of solids.

Each test consists of various problems

and questions.

CALLS FOR THE EXAMS

Each call consists of a written exam (for those students that are not exempted) and an oral exam.

-WRITTEN EXAM

The written exam consists of two or three exercises, each articulated in various questions. The written exam is passed with grades no less than 18/30 and is valid only for the call in which it was passed.

The result of the written exam can be discussed at consulting time, or the day of the oral exam, before the exam begins.

If a student decides to try the written exam in order to improve the grades obtained with the mid-term assessments, it is understood that the new grades overrule the previous ones, independently of the result of the written exam. Of course, the students have the right not to hand in their classwork if they feel unsure about their performance. In such a

case, the previous grades are maintained.

-ORAL EXAM

The oral exams consists of two or three questions, that may cover the entire program.

The students must peremptorily be present on the day, at the time, and in the place that are fixed for the call. After proceeding with the roll call, a time schedule of the exam will be defined, according to the order in which the students applied with INFOSTUD. All changes in the schedule are the results of agreements among the students, to meet particular requests or needs. After the final schedule is defined, the exam begins. Depending on the number of students, the exam may last one or more days, following the schedule.

If a student is not present at the roll call, an absence will be recorded in the student's exam report. Late arrivals are not admitted, except in the case of an extraordinary event or circumstance, beyond the control of the student, if such an event can be certified. The

latecomers that are admitted to the exam will be inserted in the schedule following the order that minimises the impact on the other students, exclusively according to the professor's choice.

The request to undergo the exam on a day or at a time that are different from those that were agreed upon is not admissible. The only way to introduce changes in the schedule is via agreements among students, before the exam begins. Once the final schedule is defined, no further changes can be introduced. This is particularly so for latecomers, who must accept the schedule proposed by the professor.

-NUMBER OF CALLS

According to the rules of the University of Rome Sapienza, every academic year five ordinary calls and two extraordinary calls are programmed. The latter are intended only for those students that are entitled to them (near-graduate students, or students that did not complete their exams within the set time period, ...).

The five ordinary calls are usually

scheduled as follows: two calls in the winter session (January-February); two calls in the summer session (June-July); one call in the autumn session (September). The extraordinary calls are usually scheduled in spring (April or May) and autumn (November), upon requests of those students that are eligible for them.

INFOSTUD

The dates of the exams (written and oral), as well as the deadlines to apply, are made available via INFOSTUD long before the exams are scheduled. The student ALONE is responsible for taking note of dates and deadlines and for respecting the terms. Justifications like “I did not realise that the deadline for applying was over” are never acceptable.

It must be considered that, like all computer-based systems, INFOSTUD may experience temporary service interruptions and various errors may arise. The student ALONE is responsible for checking that the application was correctly recorded by the system. If a student chooses to apply at the very last

moment, the risk exists that the application may not be recorded before the deadline. Such a risk is ENTIRELY borne by the student.