

# Internships and final (thesis) projects

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- The **internship** is worth 9 ECTS credits (approx 250 hours, or 2 months) and it is intended as an experience for the student to acquire on-field experience in a hosting institution
- The final **final project** is worth 18 ECTS credits (about 4 months) and it is an original research activity that requires to develop some new concept and write a detailed report about it, under the supervision of an academic advisor

The two activities can be carried out **independently**, *either in a company or in one of our university labs*. However, the student can also opt to combine **internship and final project together** in a more complex project, to be carried out in the same hosting institution.

To begin with...

For a general introduction to internships and final projects visit this website

<http://mime.dei.unipd.it/opportunities/internships>.

### University labs

To find proposals for internships and final projects to be carried out in our university labs you'd better talk directly to our Professors and/or check their webpages. A list of MIME's Professors can be found here:

<http://mime.dei.unipd.it/course-description/professors>

The full list of professors of the Department of Information Engineering is available at this webpage:

<https://www.dei.unipd.it/lista-docenti>

We will also organize yearly events to present master projects' opportunities: stay tuned!

### Companies/external organizations

If you wish to do an internship and/or final project in a company, you have two options:

a) Check the offers in the website <http://mime.dei.unipd.it/life-mime>, clicking on "Internship" label, and then contact the reference person for the offer that appeals you the most. If the position is still available, you will be put you in contact with a representative of the company for



- b. If you opt for an internship in our university, please specify the department and lab. (As mentioned, in this case, the hosting and university tutors can be the same person.)
- The project needs to briefly describe the type of activity carried out during the internship/final project, specifying the temporal duration, the work methodology, and the expected results. The project objectives must be coherent with the educational goals of the master degree.
  - For the duration, please, specify the period agreed upon with your hosting supervisor. For simple internship, the period should be between 1.5 to 2 months, or slightly longer. For internship+final project, it should be from about 4.5 to 6 months, or longer.
  - The *Benefits offered to the trainee* indicate which benefit you are given (lunch tickets, salary, ...)
  - The educational project needs to be printed, signed by trainee (student), hosting institution tutor, university tutor (a Professor that understands about the internship subject), and then taken to the Career Service office of our University (via Riviera Tito Livio 6, Padova), at least 10 days before the beginning of the internship.
  - Once the internship period is over, your host institution tutor needs to fill in and sign the form "[Attestazione di tirocinio](#)" (Internship certificate), which needs to be taken to Career Service office, for validation. The validated certificate must finally be delivered to our Students Affairs Secretary (Segreteria Studenti), at second floor of building DEI/A, for the insertion of the internship ECTS in your transcript.
  - **Note that, if you decide to do your final project during the internship, you must also do the paperwork for the graduation. You can get information from this website: <https://elearning.dei.unipd.it/mod/book/view.php?id=3&chapterid=31> or asking our Students Affairs Secretary.**