

PhD Dissertation grading system

No mention: dissertation which conforms with minimum requirements of academic proficiency at the doctorate level.

Cum Laude: good dissertation which attests to the candidate's capacity to engage intellectually with the topic.

Magna Cum Laude: very good dissertation which shows promise in terms of the candidate's potential for academic research.

Summa Cum Laude: excellent dissertation that brings an original and innovative contribution to the field or discipline.

Félicitations du jury (Special commendation by the PhD Committee), ought to be strictly limited to cases in which a further sign of distinction or reward is warranted by the *outstanding* character of the work.

Approved by the Academic Committee on 13 April 2021.