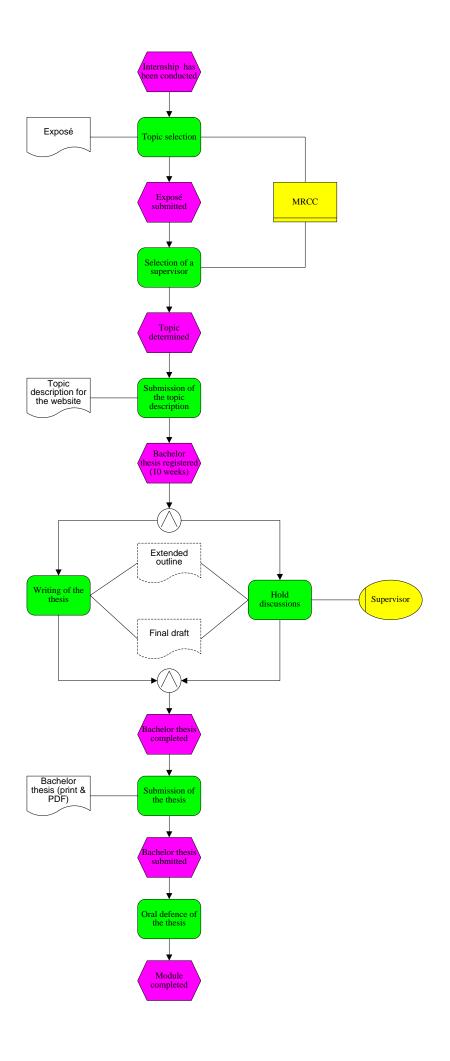
There are several possibilities for writing a final thesis at the MRCC:

- Internship of 12 weeks and 10-week completion period for the bachelor thesis (ca. 12,500 words)
- 20 weeks for an integrated internship and bachelor thesis (ca. 20,000 words)
- 20-week completion period for the master thesis (ca. 25,000 words)

Please read the information on the following pages to acquaint yourself with the individual possibilities listed above.



## Process for writing a bachelor thesis (10 weeks) at the MRCC

**Internship:** The internship that is included in the bachelor program is conducted separately from the bachelor thesis and extends over a period of 12 weeks. The internship should be supervised by the MRCC. It needs to be registered at the examination office and a final internship report (ca. 5 pages) needs to be written and handed in. Before an internship at the MRCC can be registered, the duration and location of the internship, the supervisor and the task field of the internship need to be imparted.

**Topic selection**: After the 12-week internship, a topic for the bachelor thesis should be selected and defined in coordination with the supervisor. After the topic has been defined, an exposé needs to be created that includes the most important parameters of the thesis.

**Selection of the supervisor:** Based on the exposé, a supervisor of the bachelor thesis will be assigned. Normally, the supervisor of the bachelor thesis is the supervisor of the internship.

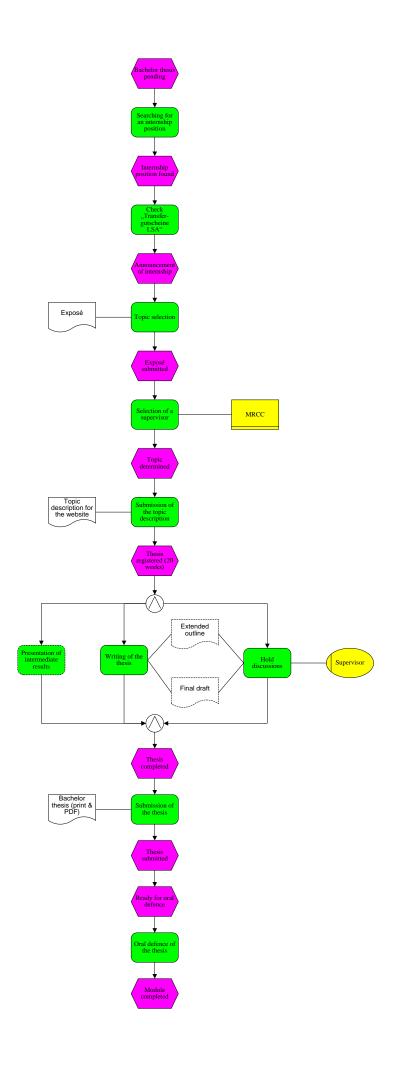
**Topic description**: Based on the exposé, a topic description for the website needs to be created. This description needs to be neutral concerning the type and location of the thesis and should name a contact person for all those who are interested.

**Registration of the thesis:** After supervisor and topic have been chosen, the thesis needs to be registered at the examination office. The processing time is normally 10 weeks and can be extended to 20 weeks if the thesis is created parallel to courses and lectures in the lecture period. On request, the processing time can be extended by a maximum of two months.

**Writing of the thesis/Hold discussions:** During the processing time, regular discussions between student and supervisor will take place. Possible documents to support this process are the extended outline and the final draft.

**Submission of the thesis:** The thesis needs to be submitted at the examination office in time. For this purpose, a printed version of the thesis needs to be stamped and forwarded to the supervisor. Digital versions (pdf) need to be sent to the supervisor and the referee.

**Oral defence:** After submission, an appointment for the oral defence of the thesis needs to be arranged. In the course of the oral defence, a 20-minute presentation about the contents of the thesis needs to be given. Afterwards, the evaluation of the thesis will be presented and questions will be asked. Subsequently, the student will be informed about his or her grade.



## Process for writing a bachelor thesis (20 weeks) at the MRCC

**Internship:** The internship has a minimum duration of 20 weeks and is conducted while the bachelor thesis is written. It needs to be registered at the examination office and a final internship report (ca. 5 pages) needs to be written. Before an internship at the MRCC can be registered, the duration and location of the internship, the supervisor and the task field of the internship need to be imparted.

**Transfergutschein**: The Land of Saxony-Anhalt supports final theses that are written at local companies. The funding proposal should be submitted before the registration of the thesis and needs to be signed by the academic supervisor. After approval, the student needs to submit a written confirmation of project implementation and another copy of the internship report needs to be handed in. Subsequently, 400 € of subsidies will be transferred.

**Topic selection**: At the beginning of the internship, a topic for the bachelor thesis should be selected. For this purpose, an exposé needs to be created that includes the most important parameters of the thesis.

**Selection of the supervisor:** Based on the exposé, a supervisor of the bachelor thesis will be assigned. If required, the supervisor can assist at revising the exposé.

**Topic description**: Based on the exposé, a topic description for the website needs to be created. This description needs to be neutral concerning the type and location of the thesis and should name a contact person for all those who are interested.

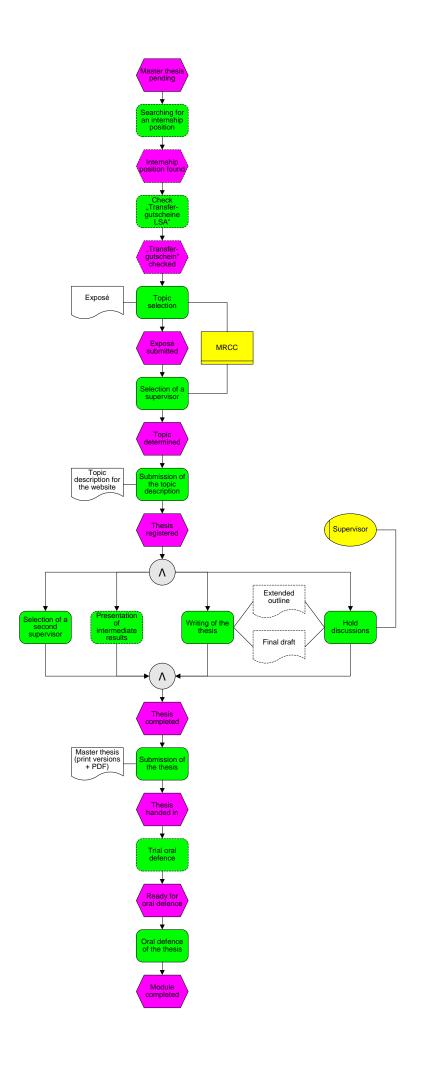
**Registration of the thesis:** After supervisor and topic have been chosen, the thesis needs to be registered at the examination office. The processing time amounts to 20 weeks. On request, the processing time can be extended by a maximum of two months.

Writing of the thesis/Hold discussions: During the processing time, regular discussions between student and supervisor will take place. Possible documents to support this process are the extended outline and the final draft.

**Presentation of intermediate results**: If necessary and possible, a presentation of intermediate results can be conducted after half of the working time has elapsed. In the course of this presentation, students of a group of scientists present the state of the art and further development plans for their individual bachelor theses.

**Submission of the thesis:** The thesis needs to be submitted at the examination office in time. For this purpose, a printed version of the thesis needs to be stamped and forwarded to the supervisor. Digital versions (pdf) need to be sent to the supervisor and the referee.

**Oral defence:** After submission, an appointment for the oral defence of the thesis needs to be arranged. In the course of the oral defence, a 20-minute presentation about the contents of the thesis needs to be given. Afterwards, the evaluation of the thesis will be presented and questions will be asked. Subsequently, the student will be informed about his or her grade.



## Process for writing a master thesis (20 weeks) at the MRCC

Internship: The master thesis can be created in collaboration with an external company. For this purpose, an on-site supervisor needs to be named and his or her consent needs to be recorded. The Land of Saxony-Anhalt supports final theses that are written at local companies. The funding proposal should be submitted before the registration of the thesis and needs to be signed by the academic supervisor. After approval, the student needs to submit a written confirmation of project implementation and another copy of the internship report needs to be handed in. Subsequently, 400 € of subsidies will be transferred.

**Topic selection**: The topic of the master thesis can be selected either by means of a student proposal or by means of the range of topics provided by the MRCC. For further information, please visit the website of the MRCC. For the purpose of the topic selection, an exposé needs to be created that includes the most important parameters of the thesis.

**Selection of the supervisor:** Based on the exposé, a supervisor of the bachelor thesis will be assigned. If required, the supervisor can assist at revising the exposé.

**Topic description**: Based on the exposé, a topic description for the website needs to be created. This description needs to be neutral concerning the type and location of the thesis and should name a contact person for all those who are interested.

**Registration of the thesis:** After supervisor and topic have been chosen, the thesis needs to be registered at the examination office. The processing time amounts to 20 weeks. On request, the processing time can be extended by a maximum of two months.

Writing of the thesis/Hold discussions: During the processing time, regular discussions between student and supervisor will take place. Possible documents to support this process are the extended outline and the final draft.

**Choosing a second supervisor:** The student has the right to make propositions concerning a suitable second supervisor (having first obtained his or her consent). Should the student not make use of this right, the examination board determines a second supervisor.

**Presentation of intermediate results**: If necessary and possible, a presentation of intermediate results can be conducted after half of the working time has elapsed. In the course of this presentation, students of a group of scientists present the state of the art and further development plans for their individual master theses.

**Submission of the thesis:** The thesis needs to be submitted at the examination office in time. For this purpose, two printed versions of the thesis need to be stamped and forwarded to the supervisors. Digital versions (pdf) need to be sent to the supervisors and to the referee.

**Oral defence:** After submission, an appointment for the oral defence of the thesis needs to be arranged. In the course of the oral defence, a 20-minute presentation about the contents of the thesis needs to be given. Afterwards, the evaluation of the thesis will be presented and questions will be asked. Subsequently, the student will be informed about his or her grade.