

Thesis Defense Attendance

12/19/18

Unless restricted by University policy (i.e., Covid-19 protocols):

1. Students defending a thesis must be physically present on campus for the defense. Students away from campus as they are finishing up a thesis are expected to return to campus defend the finished thesis.
2. The advisor must be physically present, together with the student, at the defense.
3. Only the faculty reader or the Honors Coordinator can skype or telephone into the thesis defense. Having a committee member (reader or Honors Coordinator) not in attendance should be rare, and must be approved in advance by all members of the thesis committee and the Honors Program office.
4. Appropriate facilities should be used for the teleconference to assure quality interaction – not just a laptop screen.
5. The public is still invited.