In case the thesis proposal is unsuccessful, the student must register for the thesis course again. If the thesis proposal is re-submitted within 3 months (6 months in case of advisor change), the re-defense attempt must be made in front of the Thesis Supervisory Committee.

Before the thesis is finalized, at least 3 thesis progress meetings are required (progress report written by student has to be forwarded to the Institute after each defense). Students who receive 2 successive or a total of 3 negative evaluations (Fails) by the Thesis Supervisory Committee are dismissed.

The jury may grant an extension of up to 6 months for revision. At the end of the period, the student must re-defend. If the defense is unsuccessful, the student is dismissed.