



Important Information for Physics Final Year Undergraduate Students

PHY3200 – Students doing a final year project in Physics

All projects are required to submit the necessary forms to the Faculty Research Ethics Committee (FREC) by no later than **30th November**. Some projects may only require submission for record purposes, while others might need a full FREC review. More information is available on the Faculty Research Ethics Committee [webpage](#). Students are to consult with the supervisor for guidance. The FREC application form can be accessed [here](#).

The dissertation must include:

- A Plagiarism Declaration, available [here](#).
- A Declaration of Authenticity, available [here](#).

The dissertation template is available on the [Undergraduate Students Resources page](#).

The deadline to submit the Dissertation is **Monday, 4th May 2026**. VLE submission areas will be made available. If an extension is required this is to be discussed with the supervisor and inform the administrator at administrator-physics.sci@um.edu.mt well in advance the deadline.

As part of the assessment, students will also have a Viva Voce Examination. These will be held during the **week starting 22nd June 2026**.

During the viva, the student is expected to give a short presentation covering your motivation, research question, methodology, and main results. This will be followed by a question and answer session with the Board of Examiners. Students are required to bring a copy of their dissertation to the examination, as the examiners may refer to specific sections during the discussion.

PHY3209 – for students doing a final year project in Physics (PHY3200)

This study unit has two methods of assessment:

1. Oral presentation
2. Poster presentation

The oral presentation will form part of the Undergraduate Physics Seminar, which will be held on **20th and 21st April 2026**.

Each presentation will be 15 minutes in duration, followed by a 5-minute question and answer session.

The deadline for the submission of the presentation title and abstract, for inclusion in the seminar booklet, is **Monday, 13th April 2026**.

In addition, students are required to prepare a poster presentation on the final year project. Poster template can be accessed from the [Undergraduate Students Resources page](#).

The poster session will be held on **Monday 27th April 2026** at 12.00 noon in Physics Foyer.

PHY3208/PHY3207 - Short Review Paper and Philosophy of Science

This study unit has three methods of assessment:

1. Oral presentation (short review)
2. Short review paper
3. Test on Philosophy of Science lectures

The choice of review needs to be in a field of Physics that is different from that covered by the final year project. Exception for students following BSc in Physics, Medical Physics and Radiation Protection.

The presentation should be 15 minutes followed by 3 minutes of questions.

The deadline to submit Title and Abstract for inclusion in the booklet is **Monday 13th April 2026**.

Dates for Undergraduate Physics Seminar are **20th and 21st April 2026**.

Exact schedule will be forwarded to all students closer to the date.

The template for short review is the same as that for the undergraduate dissertation and can be accessed [here](#). Please refer to writing guidelines shared in the VLE area.

The submission must include a Plagiarism Declaration, available [here](#).

The deadline to submit the Short Review Paper is **Monday 4th May 2026**.

External Examiner Meeting

The external examiner for the Department of Physics will be in Malta between the **6th to 10th July**. Since external examiners normally interview Physics students, we urge to ensure that students are available during that week.

Important Dates

Date	Event / Deadline
30 November 2025	Deadline to submit FREC application form.
13 April 2026	Deadline to submit Title and Abstract for inclusion in the Undergraduate Physics Seminar booklet (Final Year Project & Short Review)
20–21 April 2026	Undergraduate Physics Seminar (Oral Presentations for Final Year Project & Short Review)
27 April 2026 – 12:00	Poster Presentation Session in the Physics Foyer (For Final Year Projects)
4 May 2026	Deadline to submit Dissertation and Short Review Paper via VLE
22 June 2026 (Week of)	Viva Voce Examinations (For Final Year Projects)
6–10 July 2026	External Examiner Visit – Students may be interviewed (All Physics Students)

