Dear Students,

The rules for writing and submitting your thesis in 2020/21/2 semester are the following:

The deadline of application for the summer final examination in the academic year 2020/21 (<http://nk.unideb.hu/en/request-forms-and-frequently-asked-questions-faq>, *Application form for Final Examination*) and thesis submission (before the summer final examination) is

**April 1, 2021** in both BSc and MSc programmes.

If the student fails to meet this deadline, s/he cannot take the state examination in the given academic year. In both BSc and MSc programmes, based on the proposal of the supervisor and with the permission of the Head of the Educational Committee, in justifiable cases the deadline for submitting thesis may be extended by one week - April 8, 2021 (by sending the Request to the Educational Committee via email to debreczeni.andrea@sph.unideb.hu).

Without a prior request, the late submission of the thesis is possible within a week after the submission deadline, only if the student pays the late fee before submission, specified in the Special Rules and Regulations for English Program Students. In case of submission beyond this extended deadline, the thesis may only be reviewed the next final examination period.

The provisions of Section 15 of the Annex to the Faculty of Public Health of the Rules and Regulations of the University of Debrecen, related to **the submission and defence of the thesis** in the framework of distance learning shall be fulfilled as follows.

1. The requirement for the submission of the thesis is that the supervisor declares s/he approves the submission by the student with the given title and nominates the reviewers (Annex 1) no later than **April 1, 2021** (via email to debreczeni.andrea@sph.unideb.hu).
2. The thesis has to be uploaded to the University of Debrecen Electronic Archive (DEA). Afterwards the thesis must be submitted only electronically (in pdf format) to the Educational Office (debreczeni.andrea@sph.unideb.hu).

The pdf format of the thesis must include the following:

* the student’s declaration that the thesis is his/her own work (*Declaration of Plagiarism*),
* the result certified by the Turnitin plagiarism filtering service (the supervisor checks the similarity),
* the “Placement statement” between the electronic archive of the UD and the author of the thesis *(Placement statment DEA)* and (if requested and justifiable) the “Encryption attachment”,
* a declaration by the student that the paper-based, electronic and plagiarism screening formats are identical in all respects (*Declaration of Conformity*).

The forms are available on the website (<http://nk.unideb.hu/en/request-forms-and-frequently-asked-questions-faq>).

The length of the thesis (without bibliography, figures and charts) has to be 6-8000 words. The computer-written thesis must be submitted bound, in an aesthetic form. The page margin must be 2,5 cm at the bottom and top and 3 cm at the left and right side.

The structure of the thesis must meet the following: the thesis can describe the author’s own experimental studies; can be a public health, epidemiological or other programme related analysis; a literature review, audiovisual educational material, tool, masterwork, model, or computer program. It is not important to contain new scientific results, but it should be the result of the author’s independent work. Results obtained from other sources must be accurately indicated. The student declares the originality of the thesis aware of his/her criminal responsibility. If the total amount of the text transferred into the thesis without any changes (except for the bibliography) exceeds 30% of the total text, the thesis will not be accepted.

The title page should contain the title of the thesis, the name of the author, the name and signature of the supervisor, the affiliation of the supervisor, the name of the Faculty of Public Health, and the year of completion. The thesis can be accepted only if the title page is made according to the current template uploaded to the Faculty’s website (<http://nk.unideb.hu/en/request-forms-and-frequently-asked-questions-faq>, *Thesis cover page from 2021*).

The following chapters should make up the thesis: the abstract, the introduction, the objectives of the work, the description of the methods, the results, the discussion, and the summary chapter. The summary chapter contains a short presentation of the thesis, for the purpose of promoting science to a wider audience (min. 2000 max. 4500 characters incl. spaces). This is followed by the bibliography.

One of the internationally accepted citation rule systems (Harvard or Vancouver) must be used to display literary references in text and to compile the bibliography. The number of references should preferably not be less than 20 or more than 50. In the case of internet references, the reference must include the link of the website and the date of the download.