

Curricular Internship during the Covid-19: optional or supplementing activities

The Covid-19 pandemic may have caused problems to students in finding a curricular internship or continuing the one already started. These external conditions must not have a negative impact on the possibility for students to complete their study program on time (as long as they already have met all the other requirements).

For this reason, the Management Board of USI has decided to allow students, who have encountered difficulties, to integrate and/or replace the curricular internship with alternative activities (in accordance with the course of study undertaken).

The replacement must be arranged taking into account:

- Best advantage for the students
- The commitment in terms of ECTS for the internship
- Any activity already carried out
- The approval of your master's director (Delegato per gli esami for the bachelor)

Below is the list of **possible replacement and/or integration activities for the curricular internship**:

1. Recognition of previous work experience (jobs or internship) prior to the start at USI.
 - 1.1. **Output:** Creation of documentation and a final report that connects the internship with what has been learned at USI
2. Possibility to do an internship in one of the USI institutes in smartworking.
 - 2.1. **Output:** Creation of a report or another document decided with the master director
3. Analysis of the work environment in a certain sector, through open positions on LinkedIn or other platforms.
 - 3.1. **Output:** Creation of a report or another document decided with the master director
4. Participation in a MOOC (USI has joined the Coursera portal, accessible on request to Stefano.tardini@usi.ch at the following link: <https://www.coursera.org/programs/usi-universita-della-svizzera-italiana-on-coursera-nzkat>) + interview with the tutor/teacher or creation of a report.
 - 4.1. **Output:** MOOC certification and/or creation of a report and or final oral interview

5. Voluntary activities.
 - 5.1. **Output:** Creation of a report or another document decided with the master director
6. Extension of the Master's Thesis for the corresponding number of ECTS credits (if not yet defended).
7. Exams chosen by other study programs.