

## **PhD Grading System**

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No mention: dissertation which conforms with minimum requirements of academic proficiency at the doctorate level.

*Cum Laude*: good dissertation which attests to the candidate's capacity to engage intellectually with the topic.

*Magna Cum Laude*: very good dissertation which shows promise in terms of the candidate's potential for academic research.

*Summa Cum Laude*: excellent dissertation that brings an original and innovative contribution to the field or discipline.

*Félicitations du jury* (Special commendation by the PhD Committee), ought to be strictly limited to cases in which a further sign of distinction or reward is warranted by the *outstanding* character of the work.

**Approved by the Academic Committee on 13 April 2021.**