

1st-semester exam

What is the 1st-semester exam?

The 1st-semester exam consists of your portfolio website and an individual oral exam presentation followed by a discussion based on the portfolio website and presentation.

The oral exam lasts 30 minutes consisting of a 5-minute presentation from the student, a 20-minute discussion and a 5-minute evaluation, grading, and feedback.

In the 1st-semester exam, you must demonstrate knowledge, skills, and competencies described in the learning objectives from [the curriculum](#) (p. 6 - 8) and reflect on what you've learned within the multimedia design education's five subject areas: User interface development, User experiences, Content production, Business, and Technology.

What will actually happen on the day?

5 minutes: Your presentation

First, you have the 5-minute presentation to demonstrate what you've learned: Theory, methods and tools that we've been through during the semester. We recommend that you exemplify the application of theory and practical skills by referring to some of the tasks you've solved during the semester, and explaining 'how' and 'why' the tasks have been solved the way they have.

20 minutes: Discussion with examiners

After your presentation, teachers will take over and ask questions about the projects and your application of theory, methods, and tools to assess your proficiency across the subject areas.

5 minutes: Evaluation and grading

Here, we will evaluate and you'll get a grade for the entire first semester based on the Danish 7-point scale. *This grade will appear on your final graduation certificate for the education.*

Who will my examiners be?

Your two examiners will be internal members of staff; both will have taught you during your first semester at KEA within the MMD programme.

Requirements to take the oral part of the 1st-semester exam

To take the oral exam, you must submit a pdf on WISEflow before 19 June at 10:00 AM. The pdf must include two links:

1. A link to the homepage of your portfolio website on your own domain.
2. A link to your GitHub repository with the files for your portfolio website.

The portfolio website and the GitHub repository must be identical with no changes in the GitHub repository after the deadline.

If you are unable to submit your portfolio website and/or attend the first date and time for your exam, a maximum of two additional attempts is possible. The Student Affairs for Multimedia Design will contact you regarding a new deadline for the re-exam in the first week of July.

If you fail to pass the third and final exam attempt, you will be disenrolled from the programme and your SU will be stopped.

What to do in case of illness?

If one falls ill at the exam, it does not count as being absent. If you fall ill, contact the Administration for Multimedia Design as soon as possible and deliver a medical certificate. See [the curriculum](#) for further information on illness at the exam.

When will the oral examination take place?

It will take place during the period from June 24th to June 27th - 2019 from 8:30 to 16:30. A detailed exam plan with time slots for the individual students will be available on WISEflow after the submission deadline and no later than June 20th before noon.

Submission of your portfolio website

Remember, it is a prerequisite for the oral exam, that you build a portfolio website and submit it on WISEflow. Requirements for the portfolio site are described in '*The portfolio website*' below.

Deadline for submitting the portfolio website is Wednesday, June 19th - 2019 at 10:00 AM

Procedure for handing in on WISEflow:

- You will receive an email about submitting via WISEflow from Student Affairs.
- **WISEflow step 1 – Submission:** Submit a pdf that includes two links:
 1. 'URL' to your website (same as on WISEFlow cover sheet).
 2. 'URL' to your GitHub repository with the files for your portfolio website.
- **WISEflow step 2 – Cover sheet:** Fill in the cover sheet. You MUST add a 'URL' to website.
- **WISEflow step 3 – Hand in the state:** Press 'Hand in' on WISEFlow when you've completed everything and are ready to submit!
- When you've handed in, you can ask WISEflow for a receipt to confirm your submission.
- Remember to TEST the link after handing in!

NB! There will be no exemptions from this deadline. If you fail to deliver before the deadline, you will be contacted by the Administration of Multimedia Design about your reexamination.

The portfolio website

The portfolio website is a student portfolio presenting the projects you have worked on during the semester. It is NOT a professional portfolio. The portfolio website is also an exam product and its content, code and design is part of what is being assessed.

Requirements for the portfolio website

- The portfolio website must be "hand coded" using html, css, and javascript. I.e. you are NOT allowed to use a CMS or frameworks such as Wordpress or Bootstrap.
- All pages of your portfolio website must validate for both html and css
- The portfolio website must be responsive.
- Your portfolio website should at least have the following pages:
 - A homepage
 - A CV or "About me" page
 - Your portfolio – one or more pages presenting your 1st-semester projects

At the exam, you will use the portfolio website to demonstrate that you've met the learning objectives of the semester. You do this by presenting projects and assignments from the semester and explaining how you through these have achieved knowledge, skills, and competencies corresponding to the learning objectives of the curriculum.

Present every project or assignment with illustrations and a concise description of your project's or your task's focus, what your role was, and what you learned.

A few examples:

- In theme X we've learned about different layout principles (knowledge). I chose to use principle X when solving the following task in this [specific] way (skill). I chose this solution instead of another because of X (competency)
- In X task we were introduced to test method X (knowledge). I conducted the test in the following way which caused the following changes in my design (skill). In the subsequent group project [hyperlinked] we used the test method again in relation to examining X (competency).

How do I prepare for the exam?

In the days after submission and up until your oral exam you should prepare the 5-minute presentation.

It is important that you prepare and organise your presentation so that you focus on what you want or need to demonstrate. You must choose yourself how to best demonstrate what you have learned using selected projects in your portfolio. You do not need to show all the projects in the five minutes. Pick 2 to 4 projects that you want to focus on.

Before the exam, the teachers have seen your portfolio website so can benefit from going into details or adding to the information about the projects.

As a *minimum, you should have the following task submissions from the semester in your portfolio section:**

- Theme 01: Basic Web
 - 01.04.01 Responsive website
- Theme 02: Basic Animation
 - 02.02.01 Week submission_part one_ part two_part three
 - 02.04.06 Link to Final Interactive Production
 - 02.04.07 Presentation (short process documentation) pdf
- Theme 03: Basic Content
 - 03.02.01 Team Canvas
 - 03.02.03 Storyboard
 - 03.02.04 XD Prototype
 - 03.02.05 Link to site
- Theme 04: Basic UX
 - 04.01.01 Design Sprint
 - 04.02.01 Web Prototype

*Other projects might be just as relevant for you personally to demonstrate individual learning.

What if I didn't manage to submit all the assignments?

The most important is to show that you have achieved competencies within the programme's subject areas. A good way to do this is to show that you've solved all tasks given in a good way.

But everyone can fall ill and not submit an assignment or two. Is this the case, we recommend that you try to solve them on your own, but it is not a formal requirement.

However, it is hard to demonstrate to us that all learning objectives have been achieved if you've only submitted half of the assignments. This will be seen as an inadequate portfolio, and then you must make an extra effort to ensure that you make a convincing case at the oral exam.

Good Luck!

As soon as the KEA Student Affairs has received all submissions, they will make a timetable for the oral exams. As mentioned above, this will be published on WISEflow.

Until then, we wish you good luck! :)

Kind regards,

The teaching staff on the first semester