

Assessment Form BSc Thesis Social Sciences Wageningen University

Involved BSc programmes: BBC, BCW, BEB, BGM and BIN

Complete the green fields boxed with a single line. Use a point as decimal sign; the default language is English (UK)

Name chair group (three letter code)

RDS/SDC

Name student

Chiara Mareike Bockstahler

Registration number

940424077060

BSc programme

BIN

Major / Specialisation

SDC

Course code BSc thesis

YSS-82812 BSc Thesis Sociology of Development

Short title thesis

Bolivian Quinoa and indigeneity

Fee percentage per chair group

Chair Group 100.00%

Not applicable 0.00%

Select if BBC/BEB Thesis: 0.00%

Date examination

8-8-2016

Signature

Supervisor chair group

E. Rasch / B. Jansen

Second supervisor (in case of BCW)

BSc thesis examiner / second reviewer

M. Nuijten

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Research competence (30-40%) *

- 1 Initiative, pro-activity and creativity
- 2 Commitment and perseverance
- 3 Time management
- 4 Critical and self reflective capacity
- 5 Handling supervisor's comments
- 6 Analysis and processing of (literature) data

Grading
Mark 1-10

Relative
weight *

Check

40%

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Thesis report (50-65%) *

- 1 Problem definition & research set-up
- 2 Theoretical underpinning and use of literature
- 3 Description of methods and analysis (literature) data
- 4 Clarity of argumentation and conclusions
- 5 Critical discussion
- 6 Writing skills incl. correct quoting

55%

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7.5		
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Colloquium (0-5%)*

(Not applicable to BCW and BIN)

- 1 Presentation (use of graphics, etc.)
- 2 Verbal and non-verbal presentation

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Check weight

Final Discussion (5%) *

- 1 Defence of the thesis
- 2 Knowledge of study domain

5%

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TOTAL not rounded	7.863
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FINAL GRADE	8.0	Pass
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* Please choose weights for your own chair group and BSc Programme such that their sum is 100

Extensive comments by supervisor and 2nd reviewer/examiner on next page

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Comments by supervisor. (Please use ALT+ENTER to open a new line)

Chiara wrote an interesting thesis in which she brings together the concepts of indigeneity and the quinoa boom in Bolivia. She shows how the two cannot be seen as separate, and instead should be analysed as processes that are related to each other, and embeds this in debates about the relation between culture and development. The result is a well readable thesis, although her English is sometimes a bit vague. On a more theoretical level, some concerns were raised with her conceptual handling that is somehow eclectic and not always demarcated clearly. The thesis was finished (from the 1st draft onwards) by another supervisor.

Comments by 2nd reviewer/examiner. (Please use ALT+ENTER to open a new line)

The thesis gives a nice analysis of the different processes involved in the relationship between Quinoa production and indigeneity in Bolivia. The thesis covers many different themes in depth. The theoretical discussions are interesting, but could have been more precise. In sum, this thesis offers an interesting exploration of an important, contemporary topic.