As a general rule, Ministerial Decree no. 142/98 governs the implementation of curricular internships.

Pursuant to the University Regulations for the recognition of internship credits, students may use their internship activities to cover both the CFU credits awarded for internships (type-F/S activities) in their Study Plan and the CFU credits awarded for optional activities (type-D activities), subject to any requirements set out in the specific degree programme regulations.

As part of an Internship Project, it is not excluded that the student may acquire information/data useful for writing their dissertation. However, internships and dissertations are not the same, because the CFU credits of the two activities are obtained in different ways. Indeed, the contents of the dissertation may not always and necessarily be linked to an internship.

That said, we would like to highlight the following points:

1. Students doing an internship at an Italian company will need to draw up an Internship Project of the duration agreed with the relevant host company. The number of CFU credits awarded will depend on the number of hours worked, which will enable students to either gain CFU credits for type-F/S internship activities, and for optional type-D activities. Any extra hours worked will be considered as extra CFU credits. Internship Projects should therefore not include the period of dissertation work, unless expressly requested by the host company (e.g. for insurance purposes, if the host company is unable to cover the student's stay for the research/dissertation work period with its own insurance).

   **CFU credits relevant to the dissertation are only awarded upon submission of the dissertation and the final graduation examination.**

2. Students doing an internship at the University of Verona will need to draw up an Internship Project of the duration agreed upon with the Tutor of the relevant host Structure. The number of CFU credits awarded will depend on the number of hours worked, which will enable students to either gain CFU credits for type-F/S internship activities, and for optional type-D activities. Any extra hours worked will be considered as extra CFU credits. Internship Projects should therefore not include the period of dissertation work, since **CFU credits relevant to the dissertation are only awarded upon submission of the dissertation and the final graduation examination.**

   Reducing the duration of internships also makes it possible to comply with the threshold regarding the number of internships that can be activated simultaneously at the University in relation to the number of employees.

3. Students doing an internship abroad as part of an Erasmus+ Programme for Traineeship will need to draw up a LAT – Learning Agreement for Traineeship (equivalent to the Italian Internship Project) of the duration agreed upon with the tutor of the host organisation. At the time of completing the LAT, **students will have to declare** whether the internship activity is aimed at obtaining CFU credits for internships, for dissertation work, or research work (e.g. PhD students). The number of hours worked will allow students to obtain CFU credits for type-F/S internship activities and optional type-D activities. Any extra hours worked will be considered as extra CFU credits. The mobility period abroad may be considered when assessing the student's dissertation work. The Teaching Commission/Student Practices Committee shall determine whether the extra CFU credits gained by the student may also be recognised as partial or full dissertation credits.

4. Students doing an internship abroad individually (i.e. not under the Erasmus+ programme for traineeship) will need to draw up an Internship Project of the duration agreed upon with the company tutor at the host organisation. The number of hours worked will allow students to obtain CFU credits for type-F/S internship activities and optional type-D activities. Any extra hours worked will be considered as extra CFU credits. The mobility period abroad may be considered when assessing the student's dissertation work. The Teaching
Commission/Student Practices Committee shall determine whether the extra CFU credits gained by the student may also be recognised as partial or full dissertation credits.