

Corvinus University of Budapest

Doctoral (PhD) Regulation

Acting on the basis of its authority under Act CCIV of 2011 on National Higher Education (hereinafter Nftv) as well as Government Decree 387/2012 (XII.19) on Doctoral Schools, the Doctoral Degree Award Procedure and Habilitation (hereinafter Doctoral Decree), the Corvinus University of Budapest (hereinafter: University) shall regulate doctoral training, the procedure for obtaining a doctoral degree and the different milestones of the doctoral procedure as follows.

PREAMBLE

1. §

Since 1993 the University has offered education leading to a doctoral (PhD) degree for future generations of scientists. Doctoral education was conducted in the scope of doctoral study programmes before 2000, in doctoral schools with provisional accreditation between 2000 and 2002, from which time it has taken place in the organisational framework of doctoral schools with permanent accreditation. The doctoral schools of the university offered 3-year programmes between 1993 and 2016, since 2016 four-year programmes have been in place. The establishment of Corvinus Doctoral Schools (CDS) in 2018 was a crucial milestone on the way towards the renewal of doctoral education in terms of organisational structure, content and quality¹. As the University transformed into a private university as of 1 July 2020, renewal has not left doctoral education untouched either. Thus, the merger of doctoral schools occurred on 1 July 2002 (the education of future generations of scientists is now performed in four doctoral schools instead of the former seven), making it necessary to adopt a new doctoral regulation.

SCOPE OF THE REGULATION

2. §

- (1) The scope of the University Doctoral Regulations (hereinafter UDR) shall cover:
- a) doctoral education
 - b) the doctoral degree acquisition procedure (hereinafter doctoral procedure)
 - c) the awarding of doctoral (PhD) degrees
 - d) the conferral of doctoral titles with distinction
 - e) the awarding of honorary doctor titles
 - f) the awarding of honorary doctor and professor titles
 - g) the nostrification of academic degrees obtained abroad
 - h) the organisational units and bodies involved in the activities under a)-g) above
 - i) the students taking part in doctoral education
 - j) the lecturers involved in doctoral education
 - k) administrative staff involved in doctoral education.

TERMS

3. §

- a) **doctoral student:** student participating in doctoral education who is subject to the rights and obligations set out in relevant legislation on higher education;
- b) **doctoral dissertation:** a paper, creation or work prepared by a doctoral student in order to demonstrate his/her ability to independently solve an academic task adapted to the requirements of the doctoral degree;
- c) **doctoral degree:** an academic (PhD) degree that may be awarded by the University Doctoral Council (UDC) subject to the conditions of which are set out in the present Regulation;

¹ Resolution No SZ-19/2017/2018. (2017. XII. 19.) of the CUB Senate

- d) **doctoral degree acquisition procedure:** the research and dissertation phase of doctoral education, which can be entered upon successfully completing the comprehensive examination for students who commenced their studies after 1 September 2016 and upon obtaining the *absolutorium* (final certificate) for students who had commenced their studies before 1 September 2016;
- e) **Doctoral School:** the basic organisational unit of doctoral education, doctoral education may only be offered by doctoral schools (DS).
- f) **Lecturer of the Doctoral School:** a lecturer or researcher with an academic degree who, following a proposal from the Head of the Doctoral School, is deemed by the Council of the Doctoral School (CoDS) to be suitable for performing teaching, research and supervising tasks within the DS.
- g) **Council of the Doctoral School:** a body assisting the Head of the DS in his/her work, which meets regularly
- h) **Head of the Doctoral School:** a professor, a core member of the Doctoral School, holder of a DSc of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, who has an outstanding international reputation for scientific excellence and is responsible for the scientific standards and teaching activities of the school.
- i) **doctoral education:** study, research and reporting activities performed in the framework of preparing candidates, either individually or in groups, for obtaining a doctoral degree, in a manner adapted to the specifics of the disciplines concerned and the individual needs of the students, and shall comprise a study and research stage and a research and dissertation stage.
- j) **University Doctoral Council:** body established by the Senate to organise doctoral education and award doctoral degrees;
- k) **Doctoral topic:** a research subfield that is suitable for the application of scientific methods and the achievement of meaningful scientific results by the doctoral students under the guidance of the supervisor(s), making students capable of giving evidence thereof through scholarly publications, scientific lectures and finally through preparing a doctoral dissertation; The CoDS shall approve the doctoral topics to be announced;
- l) **Announcer of doctoral topic:** a lecturer or researcher with an academic degree whose topics on offer were approved by the CoDS;
- m) **Doctoral Supervisor:** a lecture or researcher with an academic degree, actively involved in research, whose topics on offer were approved by the CoDS and who takes responsibility in guiding and assisting the doctoral student working on the topic during his/her studies, research and preparation for degree acquisition. A supervisor may not have more than six doctoral students at a time. A doctoral student may not have more than two supervisors at a time;
- n) **doctoral theses:** the thesis booklet of the doctoral dissertation is a paper summarising the results of independent academic work. The results must be presented in a uniform, in itself comprehensible manner, new findings must be itemised and the student's professional bibliography must be provided.
- o) **Core member:** a full-time lecturer, researcher employed by the institution, a professor emeritus/emerita whose title was awarded by the institution or a research consultant/research professor (holder of a DSc) who is a full-time employee of a research institute cooperating with the institution. He/she submitted his/her written statement on the higher education which may take him/her into account. He/she is holder of an academic degree in the scientific branch of the doctoral school, pursues continuous and high-level scientific activities in the relevant research field, was the supervisor of at least one doctoral student who obtained a doctoral degree. He/she undertakes to act as a supervisor at the doctoral school.

- p) **mentor-supervisor:** a lecturer, researcher of the DS who holds a PhD degree and undertakes to accompany and assist the doctoral student during the admission procedure as well as in his/her onboarding at the DS until the CoDS assigns a supervisor;
- q) **study and research stage:** a four-semester student status in place between the doctoral student and the institution, which consists of the rights and obligations of doctoral students and institutions specified in relevant legislation on higher education. The fourth semester ends with the comprehensive examination;
- r) **research and dissertation stage:** any student who has completed the study and research stage with a successful comprehensive examination may enter the four-semester research and dissertation stage leading to degree acquisition. Doctoral education is also open to anyone who prepared for the comprehensive examination individually, provided that he/she fulfilled the requirements with respect to admission and registration for the comprehensive examination imposed on doctoral students who opted for individual preparation. In such case the student status shall be acquired at the time of successfully completing the comprehensive examination;
- s) **comprehensive examination:** an integral part of the procedure for obtaining a doctoral degree, a summary and review-like form of assessment on the knowledge of doctoral students in the relevant branch of science. The comprehensive examination measures, evaluates progress made in study and research by the doctoral student as well as certifies his/her research aptitude;
- t) **university doctoral records:** university records on doctoral students admitted to university doctoral education and taking part therein, as well as on persons who obtained a degree from the University and data related to the degree.
- u) **external expert:** a person with a PhD degree who engages in activities associated with doctoral procedures or who holds a position in the structure of doctoral education, he/she is currently not, nor has been an employee of the Corvinus University of Budapest in the 3 years prior to the invitation to get involved in the doctoral procedure or to perform a function in the structure of doctoral education.

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK OF DOCTORAL EDUCATION

University Doctoral Council (UDC)

4. §

(1) The UDC is the supreme decision-making body in doctoral education and degree acquisition matters which sets up and monitors the university-level system of doctoral education and doctoral degree acquisition, ensures the quality and international compatibility of academic degrees to be awarded in each discipline and branch of science.

(2) Members of the UDC:

a) With the exception of the representative of the Doctoral Student Council, only persons who comply with the requirements of core membership may be voting members of the UDC. At least one third of the voting members must not be employees of the University (external members). When electing the members of the UDC, the aim should be to ensure proportionate representation to all branches of science and DSs. Each doctoral school shall be represented in the UDC by three voting members, of which the Head of the Doctoral School shall be a UDC member *ex officio*, in addition to him/her one member, elected from among the core members of the doctoral school by the Council of the Doctoral School as well as one external member (habilitated doctor, preferably full professor) invited by the Council of the Doctoral School may be proposed as UDC members.

b) Permanent invitees in an advisory capacity at UDC sessions shall include the Rector of the University, the Vice-Rector for Research and the Director General of CDS.

- c) The Chairperson of the UDC, who has voting rights, shall be proposed to the Rector by the Doctoral Cabinet from among the core members of the University's doctoral schools.
- d) The representative of the Doctoral Student Council set out in the Statutes is a member of the UDC ex officio, he/she however does not have a voting right in the following matters:
 - da) the awarding, revocation of doctoral degrees;
 - db) the awarding, revocation of habilitated doctor titles;
 - dc) nostrification, revocation of doctoral degrees obtained abroad.

In matters covered by the exception the representative of the Doctoral Student Council shall take part in an advisory capacity.

- (3) The Chairperson and the members of the UDC – with the exception of the representative of the Doctoral Student Council - shall be elected by the Senate for a five-year term. The Chairperson and the members may be re-elected for multiple consecutive terms. Candidates for the Chairperson and the elected members of the UDC shall be proposed to the Senate by the Rector on the basis of the submission of the Doctoral Cabinet, in accordance with the rules on core members.
- (4) The UDC shall
 - a) adopt a position in general matters regarding the functioning of the DSs and set out guidelines for their operation;
 - b) deliver an opinion on proposals to establish and reshape DSs, initiate the dissolution of DSs in duly justified cases;
 - c) taking into account the recommendation of the CoDS, elect the leaders of the DSs, appoint and dismiss the members of the CoDS;
 - d) taking into account the recommendation of the CoDS, takes a decision on core members;
 - e) regularly evaluate doctoral education and degree acquisition, the work of the DSs at the university for the Senate;
 - f) take decisions on the allocation of places financed by Hungarian state scholarship defined by the National Doctoral Council (hereinafter NDC) between the DSs of the University;
 - g) on a proposal from DSs, discuss admission rankings and decide on their adoption, as well as on the admission of students applying for individual training and of foreign students;
 - h) decide on terminating the student status;
 - i) approve the Rules of Operation of the DSs (RO);
 - j) approve the examination board of the comprehensive examination;
 - k) in case of students who had commenced their training before 2016 and obtained their *absolutorium*, grant admission to the doctoral degree acquisition procedure at the joint request of the student and the supervisor, on a proposal from the CoDS;
 - l) decide on awarding doctoral degrees and habilitated doctor titles, on the nostrification of doctoral degrees obtained abroad and on the revocation of degrees, titles previously granted by it;
 - m) deliver an opinion for the Senate on the proposals of the Rector with regard to granting titles of honorary doctor as well as honorary doctor and professor;
 - n) on the proposal of the council of the doctoral schools, decide on the composition of the evaluation committee involved in the public debate of the dissertation, on the acceptance of applications for habilitation and on habilitation assessment committees;
 - o) on the proposal of the council of the doctoral schools and/or the University Doctoral Office (UDO), decide on excluding doctoral students from education (deleting them from the register);
 - p) within the limits of relevant legislation and the present regulation, authorise the extension of the degree acquisition procedure of doctoral students at the joint request of the doctoral student and the supervisor, supported by the council of the doctoral school.
 - q) Within the limits granted by legislation, exercise its discretionary powers with respect to the education of the doctoral student and the milestones of his/her doctoral education. In doing so, it

shall take into account the doctoral student's substantiated written submission and the position of the CoDS.

- (5) Convening the meetings of the council, defining their agenda, appointing the presenters of the various agenda items, inviting ad hoc committees, chairing the sessions and signing decisions as well as representing the UDC at ceremonial events of the University shall fall under the competence of the Chairperson of the UDC. In making preparations for the meeting of the council, the Chairperson of the UDC shall consult with the Head of the University Doctoral Office who is also the secretary of the UDC, with the Director General of Corvinus Doctoral Schools who is also the Chairperson of the Doctoral Cabinet that is actively involved in preparing the session. The Chairperson of the UDC shall represent the University in the National Doctoral Council.
- (6) The UDC meets at least twice in each semester, in addition to regular sessions, extraordinary session may also be convened. The agenda items and the associated presentations shall be sent to the participants by the Secretary of the UDC not later than three calendar days prior to the meeting. In exceptional cases the UDC meetings may also be held online on a digital platform, the conditions under which online meetings are conducted being similar to those required for presential sessions. In exceptionally urgent cases and subject to a sufficiently detailed written presentation, the Chairperson of the UDC, upon consultation with the CDS Director General may call an online vote. Online voting shall be considered as an extraordinary session.
- (7) The quorum for any meeting of the UDC shall be the presence of more than half of its members. If voting is related to matters listed under 4(2)d, the representative of the Doctoral Student Council shall not be considered as a voting member when establishing quorum. A decision of the UDC shall be valid if the simple majority of the members present vote with „yes” or „no”. In the event of a tie during an open vote, the vote of the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. The Chairperson should call a secret vote in personnel matters (leaders of the DSs, members of the CoDS, awarding doctoral degrees, nostrified doctoral degrees, habilitated doctor title) and if that is initiated by any of the UDC members, supported by more than half of the members present. A tie during a secret ballot shall mean that the matter is rejected. Voting on the same matter may only be called once during the same meeting.

Doctoral School

5. §

- (1) The basic organisational unit of doctoral education is the doctoral school. Doctoral education may only be offered by doctoral schools (hereinafter doctoral school or DS).
- (2) The following doctoral schools shall operate within the institution (the name of the branch of science in which each doctoral school is entitled to issue doctoral [PhD] degrees and conduct procedures for obtaining the habilitated doctor title is included in brackets):
 - a) Doctoral School of Business and Management (business and management); DSBM
 - b) Doctoral School of Economics and Business Informatics (economics; business informatics; business and management); DSEBI
 - c) Doctoral School of International Relations and Political Science (economics, political sciences); DSIRPS
 - d) Doctoral School of Sociology and Communication Science (sociological sciences, media and communication sciences); DSSCS
- (3) When establishing a DS, the discipline and within that the branch of science shall be defined in which the University wishes to offer doctoral education.
- (4) The establishment of a new DS is subject to being initiated by at least seven core members. The majority of core members shall be full professors. One person may only be a core member of one

doctoral school at a time. There shall be at least eleven core members in (interdisciplinary) doctoral schools covering two branches of science, at least four core members in each branch whose majority is a full professor and conducts research in the given branch of science. There shall be at least three core members by branch of science in (multidisciplinary) doctoral schools covering at least three branches of science.

- (5) A The Head of the DS shall be elected by the CoDs on the proposal of the majority of the core members, shall be approved by the UDC and appointed by the Rector for a maximum term of five years from among the core members of the DS, who are holders of a DSc and have an outstanding international reputation for scientific excellence.
- (6) Members of the DS shall be lecturers and researchers with an academic degree who, following a proposal from the Head of the Doctoral School, are approved by the CoDS to be suitable for performing teaching, research and supervising tasks within the DS.
- (7) The core members shall prepare the documents necessary for establishing the DS, including the following:
 - a) The specification of the discipline, branch of science of the DS;
 - b) The master-level education on the basis of which the higher education institution meets the conditions required by legislation;
 - c) the specification of the research area of the DS;
 - d) the name of the doctoral degree issued upon the completion of the degree acquisition procedure;
 - e) the name of persons nominated as Head of the DS, core members and supervisors of the DS, further lecturers, invited domestic and foreign lecturers, researchers of the DS, documentation on the major scientific achievements and works of the previous five years;
 - f) the education plan of the DS;
 - g) the international relations of the DS which can be relevant for the functioning of the school;
 - h) the Rules of operation of the DS as well as its quality assurance plan;
 - i) cooperation agreements concluded by the University that are related to the activities of the DS.
- (8) The preliminary opinion of the UDC shall be necessary for the person recommended as Head of the DS to submit the request for the establishment of the DS to the Senate via the Rector.
- (9) Following the decision by the Senate to establish a DS, the Rector of the University shall request the Educational Authority to register the DS.
- (10) Any decision on the dissolution, merger of a DS shall be decided by the Senate on the proposal of the UDC or the Rector. If the proposal is made by the Rector, the Senate shall obtain the UDC's opinion before taking the decision. The Rector shall initiate the modification of the registered data on the DS with the Educational Authority in accordance with the Senate's decision.

Council of the Doctoral School (CoDS)

6. §

- (1) The CoDs is a body assisting the Head of the DS in his/her work, whose members are elected by the core members of the DS, the members being appointed and dismissed by the Chairperson of the UDC. The Chairperson of the CoDS shall be the Head of the DS, the number of its members shall be at least five. At least 2 of the members of the CoDS shall be persons with an academic degree who are not employees of the University (external members). When setting up the CoDS, efforts should be made to ensure the proportional representation of doctoral programmes. The representative of the Doctoral Student Council set out in the Statutes is an *ex officio* member of the CoDS.

- (2) Tasks of the CoDs:
- a) To develop the Rules of Operation of the DS and the Quality Assurance Rules of the DS;
 - b) To approve candidates for the roles of doctoral topic announcers, supervisors as well as subject coordinators and lecturers of the DS;
 - c) To evaluate the implementation and organisation of the programme of the DS, the standard of education as well as the work of lecturers, supervisors involved in the program and of doctoral students taking part in doctoral education at regular intervals or as required;
 - d) To make a proposal with regard to doctoral topics to be announced, to approve the doctoral topics of doctoral students;
 - e) To take a position on admission to organised doctoral instruction as well on accepting applicants for doctoral degree acquisition through individual preparation;
 - f) To appoint the members of the doctoral admission committee on the recommendation of the Head of the DS;
 - g) To make a proposal with regard to the composition of the board of the comprehensive examination and the thesis committee, as well as the official opponents;
 - h) To appoint the thesis proposal discussion committee, to approve the minutes of the discussion of the thesis proposal;
 - i) To make a recommendation for granting admission to the degree acquisition procedure on the joint proposal of the student and the supervisor;
 - j) Following the public debate of the dissertation, to make a recommendation on awarding the doctoral degree or on conferral with distinction on the basis of the assessment and votes of the Dissertation Evaluation Committee as well as the study and research performance, professional profile of the doctoral student;
 - k) To take a position on the nostrification of foreign academic degrees;
 - l) To issue an opinion in other matters relating to the DS, on requests submitted by doctoral students on the proposal of the Head of the DS.
- (3) Except for matters of regulation, decisions related to the operational curriculum, the status and performance of supervisors, the DSs may specify in their Rules of Operation the competences to be delegated to the programme council. Only items on which a decision was taken by the CoDS may be submitted to the UDC.
- (4) The functioning of the DS shall be regulated in the Rules of Operation of the DS, its sessions shall be minuted, its decisions shall be authenticated by the signature of the Chairperson of the CoDs and the minute taker, numbered and recorded.

Head of the Doctoral School

7. §

- (1) One of the duties of the Head of the DS shall be the general representation the DS. The Head of the DS shall be responsible for the academic standards and the teaching activities of the school. The Head of the DS shall be a full-time employee of the university with a DSc, who is a full professor, a core member of the DS with outstanding international reputation for scientific excellence. The Head of the DS shall be approved by the UDC on the proposal of the CoDs. The Head of the DS shall be appointed by the Rector for a maximum term of five years. The appointment may be extended to multiple terms.
- (2) The Head of the DS shall be assisted in his/her work by the CoDS.

- (3) The Head of the DS shall be responsible for the activities of the school. The Head of the DS shall
- a) Manage the DS and represent it in the Doctoral Cabinet and the University Doctoral Council as a voting member;
 - b) Make a proposal with regard to the core members of the DS, and if necessary, their replacement;
 - c) Make a proposal with regard to the members, Programme Directors and Heads of Specialisation of the DS;
 - d) Direct the work of the CoDs, define the agenda of the meetings, chair the meetings;
 - e) After coordination with the Programme Directors, Heads of Specialisation, invite the subject coordinators, the lecturers, the supervisors as well as monitor their work;
 - f) Decide on requests by doctoral students concerning individual study matters that are not delegated to other bodies by the present Regulation;
 - g) Make proposals on contributing to the costs of study or research-related conferences, study trips on the basis of individual requests (applications) on the recommendation of the supervisor and the Programme Director, Head of Specialisation;
 - h) Compile and manage the operational curriculum of the DS in cooperation with the Programme Directors, Head of Specialisation;
 - i) Get involved actively in drafting the RO of the DS as well as in drafting, amending university-level regulatory documents related to doctoral education;
 - j) As a professional supervisor get involved in the seamless administration of the DS in close cooperation with the Head of the University Doctoral Office;
 - k) Represent the doctoral school at the ceremonial events of the University.
- (4) The Head of the DS may invite a Programme Director/Programme Directors, a Head of Specialisation/Head of Specialisation to perform the administrative, management, organisational and quality assurance tasks of the school, their activities and their scope of duties being regulated in the RO of the DS. The appointment and dismissal of the Programme Director shall be initiated by the Head of the DS with the person exercising the power of appointment, the Director General of the CDS.

Core member

8. §

Professional-scientific and employment law requirements with regard to core members:

- (1) Shall hold an academic degree relevant to the branch of science and/or the discipline of the doctoral school, shall have publications in high-ranking domestic and international journals proving their achievements in research;
 - (2) Shall perform continuous and high-standard scientific activity in the branch of science and/or the discipline of the doctoral school, which is to be examined on the basis of MTMT, the Hungarian Scientific Publications Database. With respect to their entire career, shall have at least 10 publications that meet the accreditation criteria of the Hungarian Accreditation Committee (MAB) for core members, of which at least 5 were published during the 5 years preceding the accreditation procedure.
 - (3) Shall prove their suitability to manage doctoral students by the fact that at least one doctoral student supervised by them obtained a doctoral degree or by having acted as the co-supervisor of at least two students who earned a degree;
 - (4) Core members shall meet the criteria of core membership for at least one education cycle and during the degree acquisition procedure associated with that cycle;
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- (5) Shall also undertake to act as supervisors at the doctoral school (shall have a supervised doctoral student or an ongoing topic announcement);
- (6) Shall keep monitoring and updating their profile (datasheet) in the doctoral database (doktori.hu) in accordance with legislation in force and the requirements of MAB; shall keep their publications, references up-to-date in MTMT;
- (7) Shall be lecturers or scientific researchers, who are full-time employees of the University and have specified the University in their statement referred to in Article 26(3) of the Nftv;
- (8) If they meet the conditions set out in points 1)-5) above, a Professor Emeritus or a Professor Emerita (hereinafter jointly Professor Emeritus) may also become core members of the doctoral school of the University in which their title was awarded, subject to the approval of the UDC. Only one of the Professors Emeriti may be taken into account for each branch of science as a core member involved in the establishment of the school;
- (9) If they meet the conditions set out in Points 1)-5) above, research consultants or research professors with a DSc under a full-time employment or public service employment contract at a research institute may also become core members in case the University has concluded an agreement with the research institute in that regard. Among them a maximum of two members may be taken into account as core members of doctoral schools involved in one branch of science, and one member may be taken into account as a core member for each branch of science at doctoral schools involved in multiple branches of science;
- (10) One person may only serve as a core member in one doctoral school at a time.
- (11) The Council of the Doctoral School may recognise lecturers, researchers who were registered as core members before retiring by bestowing on them the emeritus or emerita title for their outstanding service to the doctoral school. Core member lecturers, researchers with an emeritus or emerita title may become permanent invitees of the council of the relevant doctoral school in an advisory capacity upon the decision of the Council of the Doctoral School.

Supervisor

9. §

- (1) The CoDS shall invite a supervisor to attend to an admitted doctoral student. A lecturer or researcher with a PhD degree who performs continuous research in his/her branch of science at a high standard and publishes his/her results in high-ranking scholarly publications may be approved as a supervisor. The procedure of assigning supervisors to doctoral students is regulated in the RO of the DSs.
- (2) One lecturer may act as the supervisor of not more than six doctoral students at a time. One doctoral student may not have more than two supervisors at a time. Acting as a co-supervisor constitutes a 50% exercise of supervisory functions.
- (3) If justified by the research topic of the doctoral student, the CoDS may invite an external supervisor (co-supervisor) to assist the doctoral student. If the doctoral student participates in a joint doctoral program with a research centre outside the University or with another university, the CoDS shall also assign a supervisor under a full-time employment contract with the University to the doctoral student.
- (4) The duty of the supervisor shall be in particular to
 - a) Develop a personal working relationship with the doctoral student in the scope of which he/she shall supervise, assist and if necessary, guide the candidate's research;

- b) Assist the doctoral student in developing his/her research plan, maintain a working relationship with him/her pursuant to the jointly agreed timetable;
 - c) Regularly call the doctoral student to account with regard to the progress in research, encountered problems, difficulties and the way of addressing them;
 - d) Issue an opinion on the report made by the doctoral student for the doctoral school, in which he/she must indicate any delay, time lag in the doctoral student's work or if he/she judges that the student will not be able to successfully complete the research plan within the required deadline;
 - e) Issue a written opinion on the materials submitted by the doctoral student for the comprehensive examination, his/her thesis proposal and doctoral dissertation as well as issue a statement on their admissibility;
 - f) Take part in the doctoral student's comprehensive examination, at the discussion of his/her thesis proposal and the public debate of his/her doctoral dissertation;
 - g) Issue a written statement on the publishing performance of the doctoral student;
 - h) Continuously monitor, update his/her profile (datasheet) in the doctoral database in accordance with law and legislation as well as the requirements of MAB.
- (5) In each semester the supervisor shall prepare a report on the performance of his/her tasks with respect to each doctoral student (in case of co-supervision, jointly with the co-supervisor), whose content and format, manner of submission and evaluation shall be set out in the Quality Assurance Regulations.
 - (6) A supervisor who is employed by the University shall be entitled to a reduction of teaching hours for performing supervisory tasks after his/her doctoral student with an active status, engaged in the study and research phase. The degree of such reduction shall be set out in the Employment Regulation.
 - (7) Irrespective of the existence of an employment relationship with the University, the Supervisor shall be expected to maintain a regular and documented relationship with his/her doctoral student, to hold at least 12 consultations of at least 45 minutes in each semester as well as devote a similar amount of time to tasks set out in Point (4) above.
 - (8) Each year the doctoral student and the supervisor shall mutually evaluate their cooperation and the progress made.
 - (9) The CoDS shall call the supervisors to account with regard to the progress made and the research work performed by the doctoral student.
 - (10) The replacement or the discontinuation of a supervisor may occur for various reasons objective (departure, death) and subjective (changed interests, deterioration of relationship). These may occur on the side of both the supervisor and the doctoral student. It shall be the right and obligation of the CoDs to address the problems. Should the relationship between the doctoral student and the supervisor not develop to the satisfaction of both parties, the competent DS and the relevant research centre (department, institute) shall do their best to explore the grounds of the tension and to solve the problem. A new supervisor or a co-supervisor shall be appointed if necessary.
 - (11) The replacement of the supervisor shall be initiated by one of the parties. The supervisor may obviously only request his/her dismissal in the event of force majeure (illness, unforeseen travel abroad, unexpected engagement etc.) or of unsatisfactory relationship with the doctoral student. The doctoral student may request the appointment of a new supervisor with the Head of the relevant Doctoral School on duly justified grounds. Duly justified grounds shall be primarily if the doctoral student feels that he/she does not receive sufficient professional support from the supervisor or personal differences complicate cooperation. The CoDS, having consulted with both parties and sought the opinion of the Head of the DS, shall decide on the request for dismissal.

- (12) The supervisor shall be entitled to remuneration for performing his/her tasks. The exact content of the entrustment, as well as the set of conditions of the entitlement to remuneration shall be set out in a salary supplement agreement in case of a supervisor with an employment relationship with the University and in an agency contract in case of an external supervisor. The entrusted supervisor may forego remuneration, such decision shall be expressed in a declaration included in the entrustment agreement or agency contract. The conclusion of any salary supplement agreement or agency contract on thesis supervision may be inputted in the Contract Administration Software as the updated version of a sample document.
- (13) Remuneration may be paid to supervisors on not more than two occasions during the degree acquisition procedure
- a) After the successful thesis proposal discussion at the conclusion of which the doctoral student is advised to move forward,
 - b) After the successful defence of the doctoral dissertation leading to the award of the degree.
- (14) The maximum amount of the remuneration with regard to supervisor entrustments commencing in the coming year shall be defined by the Director General of CDS (with the preliminary consent of the Chancellor) until 1st December each year. The level of remuneration defined for ongoing thesis supervision shall not be affected by any such change in the amount of remuneration. In case of co-supervision, each of the co-supervisors shall be entitled to 50% of the remuneration, unless otherwise specified. Any remuneration that is different from the above, or that is necessitated by the replacement of the supervisor prior to the discussion of the thesis proposal or the defence of the doctoral dissertation, or by the entrustment of a co-supervisor along with the single supervisor, shall be defined pro rata for each supervisor according to their contribution by the Director General of CDS on the proposal of the CoDs, taking into account the circumstances of the entrustment with supervisory tasks. The relevant performance certificate shall also be issued by the Director General of CDS. Any recognition of and remuneration for „inconclusive” supervisory activity shall be subject to at least one entire year of supervisory activity, documented in advance and continuously at the institution, that results in the meaningful performance of the doctoral student (paper, presentation, publication etc).

Doctoral programme and specialisation

10. §

- (1) Doctoral schools may operate doctoral programmes and/or specialisations. Whereas a doctoral programme is a training path that is typically associated with one, possibly more branches of science, a specialisation is a training path associated with a professional field within the same branch of science. Core members, lecturers and supervisors associated with the same programme may establish a programme council, the work of which shall be coordinated by the Programme Director invited by the Head of the Doctoral School and appointed by the Director General of CDS. The Programme Council is a consultative, advisory body the proposals, opinions of which shall be transmitted by the Programme Director to the CoDS. A specialisation is an academic community of lecturers, researchers working in the same professional field, whose leader (Head) shall be invited by the Head of the Doctoral School. The operation of doctoral programmes and specialisations is regulated by the ROs of the doctoral schools.

Corvinus Doctoral Schools

11. §

- (1) Corvinus Doctoral Schools (CDS) is an organisational unit which is responsible for managing, coordinating doctoral education at the University and for actively participating in quality assurance. It shall perform its activities in accordance with the Order of Business of Corvinus Doctoral Schools as well as the Organisational and Operational Procedures of Corvinus Doctoral Schools. Its head is the Director General of Corvinus Doctoral Schools, who is responsible for performing management, study-related, administrative and quality assurance tasks associated with doctoral education at the University.
- (2) The Doctoral Cabinet (DC) is the consultative and opinion-giving forum of Corvinus Doctoral Schools. The members of the DC shall be the Heads, the Programme Directors of the Doctoral Schools, a lawyer exercising legal supervision, the President and Vice-President of the Doctoral Student Council, the Head of the University Doctoral Office, the Director General of CDS, the Chairperson of the UDC and the Vice-Rector for Research. The meetings of the DC are held prior to the sessions of the UDC, but it may be convened in any matter affecting doctoral education if required. The agenda items of the DC shall be defined by the Director General of CDS in consultation with the Chairperson of the UDC and the Head of the University Doctoral Office, its meetings shall be chaired by the Director General of CDS. In case a vote is called in any matter, the simple majority of those present shall be sufficient for an opinion in favour or against.
- (3) The university-level administration of doctoral education is performed by the University Doctoral Office.
- (4) The duty of the University Doctoral Office is to perform management and organisation tasks related to doctoral education and to the various milestones of the doctoral procedure, as well as to coordinate between the DSs as set out in the Organisational and Operational Procedures of Corvinus Doctoral Schools.

DOCTORAL EDUCATION

12. §

- (1) Doctoral education constitutes training, research and reporting activities aligned with the specificities of the relevant branch of science and the research interests of doctoral students that is offered in the framework of organised instruction or individual preparation.
- (2) Within the framework of organised instruction, doctoral students receive professional help in order to prepare for the comprehensive examination, to complete the dissertation and to earn a doctoral degree. At the University, organised doctoral instruction may take place in both daytime (full-time) or correspondence (part-time) delivery mode, with a state scholarship or in self-funded form.
- (3) The admission criteria, curriculum, reporting schedule of doctoral education as well as the exact examination, credit, and other requirements necessary for obtaining a degree certificate as the formal completion of education shall be defined by and included in the RO of the competent DS, in keeping with the credit regulatory framework defined by the UDC. At least 240 credits shall be acquired in doctoral education. The duration of the training shall be eight semesters. Doctoral schools may also recognise knowledge acquired during formal or informal training with credits.
- (4) Only students who have acquired doctoral student status may commence their doctoral studies at the University.

- (5) Doctoral student status may be acquired at the University:
 - a) Following admission or in exceptional cases, following transfer,
 - b) Following the acquisition of a simultaneous student status in addition to the student status existing in another higher education institution;
 - c) Following the acquisition of a guest student status to take courses in addition to the student status existing in another higher education institution, as well as
 - d) Following the completion of the comprehensive examination;
 - e) Following approval of admission to the degree acquisition procedure by the UDC on the proposal of the CoD in case of students who had commenced their doctoral studies before 1 September 2016.
- (6) The Head of the competent DS, in consultation with the Programme Director and/or the Head of Specialisation may impose bridging-the-gap (conversion or refresher courses) for the admitted doctoral student on the basis of his/her result at the entrance examination.
- (7) Attending the sessions is compulsory for doctoral students, except if the Head of the DS, in coordination with the course lecturer, exempts a student in exceptionally justified cases.
- (8) In the case of partial training abroad or in other justified cases, the doctoral student may request the permission of the Head of the DS to follow a curriculum that is different from the recommended syllabus for the given semester during the study and research stage.
- (9) A doctoral student may participate in partial training abroad on the basis of a work plan that ensures the validity of the relevant study period within the university's doctoral education and has been approved by the supervisor, by the Programme Director and/or the Head of Specialisation. The period of partial training and the performance during the partial training abroad, as approved by the competent CoDS, shall partly or wholly count towards doctoral studies, the student status not being suspended during the period of partial training.
- (10) Doctoral education: shall consist of the study and research phase on the one hand, and the research and dissertation phase on the other. The study and research phase lasts for four semesters, at the end of which the doctoral student shall pass the comprehensive examination to be admitted to the research and dissertation phase. The commencement of the research and dissertation phase – that is the degree acquisition procedure, which also lasts for four semesters – is subject to the successful completion of the comprehensive examination, its aim being the acquisition of the doctoral degree.
- (11) The doctoral student shall submit his/her dissertation within three years of taking the comprehensive examination. In cases meriting special consideration regulated in Article 45(2) of Nftv, this deadline may be extended by one year.
- (12) Doctoral education is also open to anyone who prepared for degree acquisition individually, provided that he/she fulfilled the requirements with respect to admission and to the comprehensive examination imposed on doctoral students who opted for individual preparation. In this case the student status shall be acquired following the successful completion of the comprehensive examination.
- (13) The student status shall be terminated
 - a) If the doctoral student fails to pass the comprehensive examination, on the day of the missed or unsuccessful examination;
 - b) On the last day of the semester in which the student obtained a final certificate (*absolutorium*) in doctoral training (the last day of the semester being specified in the of the semester);
 - c) at the end of the eighth semester of doctoral training for which a doctoral student has registered (the last day of the semester being specified in the calendar of the semester);

- d) in the event of the student's transfer to another higher education institution, on the day of the completion of transfer (the date of the transfer is the day preceding enrolment at the acquiring institution)
 - e) if the doctoral student gives notice of termination of the student status, on the day that the notice is given;
 - f) if the doctoral student who cannot continue a training funded through a full or partial Hungarian state scholarship does not wish to continue it in a self-funded form (the student shall declare whether he/she wishes to continue his/her studies in a self-funded form by signing the training contract);
 - g) if the doctoral student's student status is terminated by the Director General of CDS due to arrears of payment after an unsuccessful demand for payment and the examination of the social situation of the student by the Social Committee, on the day that the decision on the termination of student status becomes final;
 - h) If the doctoral student fails to fulfil the obligations relating to academic progress laid down in the study and examination rules, in the present regulation and the curriculum;
 - i) on the day that the disciplinary decision on expulsion becomes final;
 - j) in a training offered in the framework of the Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship programme or other inter-state, state scholarship programme, if a student's status as a scholarship holder ceases and he/she does not undertake to fund his/her studies (the student shall declare whether he/she wishes to undertake his/her own costs by signing the training contract)
 - k) under a guest student status, on the last day of the semester;
 - l) in case of studies targeted at completing only a specific part of the training, on the last day of the semester;
 - m) if the doctoral student dies, the day of which shall be established by the competent dean on the basis of a copy of the death certificate.
- (14) In cases where the student status is terminated by operation of law (Article 12 (15) a)-f), j) -l)), a decision shall be issued on the termination of the student status, of which the Chairperson of the UDC or the colleague designated by him/her shall notify the student via a Neptun message.
- (15) Any suspension of the student status of the doctoral student shall be governed by the provisions of the Study and Examination Regulation (TVSZ) whereby
- a) Student Services (HSZ) shall be understood as CDS;
 - b) During the study and research phase the student status may only be suspended in cases set out in Article 45 (2) of Nftv with the approval of the Head of the DS. Studies may only be resumed by joining the training based on the sample curriculum;
 - c) During the research and dissertation phase (the degree acquisition procedure) the suspension of the student status may not exceed two semesters without the reason being given.

**Regulatory framework applying to doctoral schools in the two phases of education:
During the study and research phase, during the research and dissertation phase**

13. §

- (1) During the four-semester study and research phase the doctoral student shall complete subject courses, conduct research, he/she shall publish the results thereof during workshops (research forums staged by the DS) and in scholarly publications, shall preferably get involved in teaching, shall attend various events associated with the doctoral procedure, shall take the comprehensive examination;

- a) The doctoral student shall obtain a minimum of 18 credits per semester and 60 credits per academic year. The maximum number of credits that may be obtained during one academic year shall be 70;
 - b) He/she shall obtain a total of 120 credits during the four semesters in order to be eligible to register for the comprehensive examination;
 - c) The comprehensive examination shall consist of two parts: the first part („theoretical part”) shall assess the theoretical-methodological competence of the doctoral student, in the second part („dissertation part”) the doctoral student shall demonstrate his/her scientific progress. The theoretical part of the comprehensive examination may be completed either orally or in writing, the submission of a written paper may also be required. During the dissertation part the doctoral student shall demonstrate his/her knowledge of academic literature, give account of his/her results in research, outline his/her research plan for the second phase of the doctoral studies as well as the schedule for preparing the doctoral dissertation and publishing the results in the form of a free presentation.
- (2) The doctoral student shall collect study, research, publication and teaching credits in each semester of the study and research phase, as well as attend at least one thesis proposal discussion and one public doctoral dissertation defence each academic year. Study credits shall be recorded on the basis of courses taken in Neptun and completed. Teaching credits shall be approved by the subject coordinator or instructor of the course, research credits certified by the supervisor shall be approved by the Programme Director on the platform provided for this purpose and recorded in Neptun by the study coordinator of the UDO. On the basis of submitted documentation, publication credits shall be approved by the Programme Director on the platform provided for this purpose and recorded in Neptun by the study coordinator of the UDO. The detailed regulation of the tasks and requirements with regard to the study and research phase are set out in the RO of the DSs.
- (3) Study credits (a minimum of 48 credits; a maximum of 60 credits)
- a) The doctoral student shall complete the study credits by attending courses, by fulfilling the requirements set by the lecturers, by earning a grade. The doctoral student shall complete the compulsory, compulsory elective and elective courses set out in the sample curriculum and published in Neptun each semester.
 - b) The doctoral student may also take elective courses offered by other DSs or may take as elective courses any compulsory or compulsory elective courses that were made available by doctoral schools to their own students or to students of other doctoral schools.
- (4) Research and publication credits (a minimum of 48; a maximum of 54 credits)
- a) Research credits (minimum 48 credits) may primarily be obtained by scientific work, conference participation, presentation at research forums, mentoring. The detailed conditions for obtaining research credits shall be set out in the RO of the DSs. A maximum of 12 credits may be recognised each semester for the same activity eligible for research credit. The appraisal of the number of research credits shall take place in the form of intra-annual or term-end checks (written tests, submissions, research plans, conference papers, working papers etc.)
 - b) Publication credits shall be credits recognising specific high-level scholarly publication activity (e.g. article in scholarly journal, book chapter), which shall be assessed separately from research credits. The DSs may define in their RO the number of publication credits in addition to the 48 research credits as well as the rating of the publication outlets (the declaration of acceptance issued by it) that are to be minimally acquired for the comprehensive examination.

- (5) Teaching credits (minimum 6; maximum 18 credits)
- a) Regularly monitored teaching activity carried out under the direction of the subject coordinator (e.g. conducting seminars, practical courses, delivering lectures, job shadowing, developing teaching materials, mentoring, organising education and the preparing, correcting the associated assignments etc).
 - b) Within the framework of his/her study obligations, the doctoral student holding a state scholarship may be required to engage in the teaching and research activities of the University for a period equivalent to 20% of his or her full weekly working time, any such need shall be communicated by the Director of the Institute to the Head of the Doctoral School and the Programme Director not later than 2 months ahead of the commencement of the semester. The doctoral student may be required to teach up to 4 hours (2 time-slots) a week per semester averaged over an academic year.
 - c) The credit value of a weekly teaching activity of two hours (1 timeslot) recorded in Neptun shall be a maximum of 12 credits if a 100% participation rate is certified (or a reduced proportion thereof), the credit value of documented job shadowing or organisation of education during a semester shall a maximum of 4 credits.
 - d) The doctoral student may obtain teaching credits for teaching (course conducting) activities at another accredited domestic or foreign higher education institution if the relevant written notification is provided to the Programme Director prior to the commencement of the semester and verifiable documentation on the performed work is submitted within 2 weeks of the end of the study period.
- (6) During the four-semester research and dissertation phase the doctoral student shall perform intense research activities, present his/her research results at scientific forums, publish them, shall prepare his/her thesis proposal for discussion and shall submit it to the Secretariat of the Council of the Doctoral School. The doctoral dissertation shall be submitted within three years of commencing the research and dissertation phase. The detailed rules on the research and dissertation phase shall be set out in the RO of the DSs.
- (7) A total of 120 credits shall be acquired during the four semesters:
- a) The doctoral student shall acquire 18 credits each semester and 60 credits each academic year (in case of deferment in two consecutive active semesters), a maximum of 70 credits may be obtained during each academic year;
 - b) A minimum of 100 credits shall be acquired for research and publication activities (of which a minimum of 28 credits shall come from scholarly publications);

The DSs may define in their RO the number of publication credits minimally acquired in addition to the 28 publication credits as well as the rating of the publication outlet (the declaration of acceptance issued by it).
 - c) 20 research credits may be awarded for a successful thesis proposal discussion, which shall be allocated by the Thesis Proposal Evaluation Committee;
 - d) A maximum of 24 credits may be recognised for research and organisation of education, the conditions for the doctoral student's involvement in teaching being similar to those set out in Points 5) a-c above;
 - e) In case of a credit overload, not more than 20 of the research and publication credits acquired during the first phase of the training and certified item by item as additional performance by the

Programme Director may be transferred to the second phase of the studies. Any publication credits obtained in the first phase of the studies that were accepted by the Programme Director, but were not recorded due to credit overload, may be recognised *pro rata temporis* in the second phase of the studies as well as may be acknowledged as publication points required for acquiring the degree.

- (8) The research and dissertation phase shall conclude with the *absolutorium* at the end of the eighth active semester, for which 240 credits shall be acquired (with the appropriate ratio of credit types) and the study requirements defined for the training shall be completed. The *absolutorium* by which the research and dissertation phase ends may be obtained before the end of the eighth semester in the following cases:
- a) a student who was admitted to individual training upon successfully completing the comprehensive examination obtains 120 credits by the end of the fourth active semester (with the appropriate ratio of credit types), as well as fulfilled the study requirements defined for the training;
 - b) a student who successfully completes the comprehensive examination and the thesis proposal discussion as well as the study requirements defined for the training obtains 240 credits, in individual training 120 credits, including the 25/40 publication credit requirement (25 publication credits from peer-reviewed journals, 40 publication credits from all the scholarly publications; in this case declarations of acceptance shall not be acknowledged).

ADMISSION TO ORGANISED DOCTORAL EDUCATION

14. §

- (1) Hungarian citizens, citizens of the EU and the EEA enjoying equal treatment with Hungarian citizens as well as non-Hungarian citizens who do not belong to the group of citizens enjoying equal treatment with Hungarian citizens and
- a) Have a certificate with at least a „good” (or equivalent) grade obtained during a university or equivalent accredited master-level education (MA or MSc)
 - b) An exemption may be granted from the „good” grade requirement after a period of three years of obtaining the certificate if satisfactory research, professional and scientific output can be proven;
 - c) Have passed at least a state-recognised type „C” intermediate level – intermediate level (level B2) complex, language examination for general purposes – or an equivalent language examination². If the applicant has an intermediate level (level B2) or equivalent language examination in a language other than English, he/she shall take part in an English language interview organised by the Council of the competent Doctoral School.
 - d) Exemption from part of the language examination requirements may be granted as a one-off decision to students with disabilities applying for a doctoral training, subject to the type of disability/disabilities stated in the expert opinion. Eligibility for the exemption shall be established by the university’s Disability Committee on the basis of the proposal of the doctoral admission committee appointed by the Council of the Doctoral School.
 - e) Whose professional and scientific competence is deemed to be suitable by the DS;
 - f) if they have scholarly publications, they have recorded and approved them in MTMT and have accepted liability for the accuracy of the information by signing the author’s declaration.

² The scope of acceptable international language examinations and their equivalence shall be established on the basis of the resolution of the Corvinus Foreign Language Teaching and Research Centre.

- (2) Deadlines for applications for the current year as well as for submitting all the required documents for application shall be defined by the CDS and published in the Higher Education Admission Bulletin through the UDO and on the website of the DS.
- (3) The following documents shall be submitted for application to a doctoral school:
 - a) Completed and signed application form;
 - b) Copy of the university certificate, the original certificate shall be presented;
 - c) Copy of the university transcripts, the original transcripts shall be presented;
 - d) CV with list of publications;
 - e) preliminary research plan;
 - f) declaration of acceptance by the selected institute (research centre) (if required by the DS);
 - g) declaration of acceptance by mentor-supervisor (if required by the DS);
 - h) Copies of the documents proving language proficiency, the originals shall be presented;
 - i) Proof of payment of the registration fee;
 - j) Employer's statement of support (in case of application for self-funded doctoral education);
 - k) Declaration of responsibility assuming liability for all submitted documents and the authenticity of the information contained therein;
 - l) other documents (e.g. recommendations).
- (4) In addition, applicants seeking admission to doctoral education shall make a declaration on whether they are applying for a scholarship and whether they request admission if they are not granted the scholarship.
- (5) The DS in question may also require further documents to be submitted in order to judge the occupational fitness of the applicants, these shall be set out in the RO of the DS.
- (6) Applicants who have submitted applications in conformity with the requirements and within the specified deadline shall undergo an admission procedure. The admission procedure shall be conducted by an admission committee, the content and manner of its conduction being set out in the RO of the DS.
- (7) A 100-point evaluation scale shall be used during the admission procedure. Only students who earn a minimum of 67 points out of the total 100, that is 2/3 of the obtainable points may be admitted to doctoral education. During the doctoral admission procedure points may be earned in the following areas:
 - a) Prior performance (compulsory)
 - b) Submitted paper (compulsory)
 - c) Written examination (as required by the DS)
 - d) Oral examination (compulsory)

The various performance components within each area and the points attributable to them shall be set out in the RO of the doctoral schools.

- (8) The applicants shall be ranked by the Admission Committee.
- (9) Decision on admission shall be taken by the UDC on the proposal of the relevant DS, taking into account the quota defined by the NDC and the scholarship budget granted to the doctoral school in question. Deviation from point-based ranking shall only be allowed in case the Hungarian state scholarship budget of the DS is depleted and the next applicant in the ranking requested admission only with a Hungarian state scholarship and if the applicant in question reached two-thirds (67 points) of the maximum admission score. The DSs may regulate through their RO that the admissions ranking of the DS in question may also emerge as a result of the performance of the

DS achieved by each of the specialisations, provided that the applicant in question reached two-thirds (67 points) of the maximum admission score.

- (10) Remedies with regard to rejections of application may be exercised as set out in the Admissions Regulation.

TRANSFER

15. §

- (1) A doctoral student who commenced his/her doctoral education at another higher education institution may only be granted admission to doctoral education at the University on the basis of the statement of the DS in question and at the discretion of the UDC, provided that the transfer is justified by the dissolution of the institution, the doctoral school or any other objective obstacle arising with respect to continuing or completing the studies. Among the (graded) subjects, credits completed in the former doctoral school, only those may be acknowledged that comply with the requirements of the DS in question. A student may only be transferred from education offered in the same discipline (branch of science) after documented consultations with the responsible of the institution offering the training.

ADMISSION IN CASE OF INDIVIDUAL PREPARATION

Application for doctoral degree acquisition in case of individual preparation

16. §

- (1) Applicants who have prepared for degree acquisition individually may also join the doctoral training provided that they have fulfilled the admission requirements defined for doctoral students opting for individual preparation. In this case the student status shall be acquired following the successful completion of the comprehensive examination, the decision by the UDC on admission to the degree acquisition procedure and enrolment.
- (2) Admission requirements in case of individual preparation:
- a) Documented research activity for a period of not less than 5 years;
 - b) Language requirements are the same as the expectations set out in Points c. and d. of 14(1) above with regard to the admission procedure to organised doctoral instruction;
 - c) Professional and publication activity defined by the UDC: applicants who opt for individual preparation are expected to demonstrate publication activity that reflects the in-depth knowledge of the broader field of the relevant branch of science. The applicant's publication performance shall reach at least 80 points, of which at least 50 points shall come from articles featuring new results in the given field, published in outlets that are ranked as A-C category journals by the competent committee of Section IX of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences³.
- (3) If the publication performance of the applicant does not reach 50/80 points, but meets the 25/40 point requirement, the UDC may conditionally admit him/her to the degree acquisition procedure by setting a limitation period. The applicant shall meet the 50/80 publication score requirement before being allowed to defend his/her dissertation.

³ In the training offered by the Doctoral School of Sociology and Communication Science the list of journals compiled by the competent inter-sectional committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA) and approved by the UDC may be taken into account.

- (4) Exceptionally, applicants who do not fulfil the requirements set out in 25(3) may also join the individual degree acquisition procedure if their professional activity targeted at developing inter-university or international academic contact building is outstanding. The limitation period for fulfilling the requirements shall be set by the UDC. The applicant shall meet the 50/80 publication requirement before being allowed to defend his/her dissertation.
- (5) The degree acquisition procedure shall end if the limitation period set by the UDC elapses unsuccessfully.
- (6) Documents to be attached to the application:
 - a) Documents listed in Point 10 above with regard to application to organised instruction;
 - b) Documents certifying prior research activities;
 - c) one electronic copy of each of the own publications deemed to be the most important;
 - d) the ready dissertation and the theses or a detailed thesis proposal, or in lack of these, a detailed research plan electronically
 - e) further documents required by the relevant DS;
 - f) the declaration of the chosen institute (research centre);
 - g) the declaration of the mentor-supervisor.
- (7) The doctoral application and its annexes may also be submitted in a foreign language approved by the relevant DS, and the procedure may also be partly or wholly conducted in a foreign language.
- (8) The fulfilment of admission criteria shall first be examined by the DS. Acceptance or rejection of the application shall fall within the scope of the UDC's power on the basis of the proposal of the Council of the relevant Doctoral School.
- (9) The UDC may also require applicants to take supplementary examinations in order to be admitted to the comprehensive examination.

RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN DOCTORAL EDUCATION

Legal status of persons participating in doctoral education and in the degree acquisition procedure

17. §

- (1) Doctoral students have a student status at the University. The student status is acquired by enrolment. Enrolment shall be governed by the provisions of the Study and Examination Rules, whereby Student Services (HSZ) shall be understood as the CDS.
- (2) Data on doctoral students shall be recorded in the Neptun system by the UDO.
- (3) The rights and obligations of the doctoral students shall be governed by the provisions of the Rules of Organisation and Operation of the University, supplemented by the present regulation. The doctoral student shall create his/her profile in the MTMT database until the end of the first semester, and use this platform to register the publications that certify his/her scientific output achieved during the training (manuscripts and published publications shall be uploaded to the Corvinus Repository maintained by the Corvinus University Library), as well as keep the bibliographical data up-to-date. One of the criteria for registering for the comprehensive examination, for the degree acquisition procedure and for the public defence of the dissertation shall be to have the publications recorded

and approved in the MTMT database as well as assume liability for the accuracy of the information by signing the author's declaration.

- (4) The doctoral student shall feature the Corvinus University of Budapest in the affiliation box of each of his/her publications during the period ranging from enrolment to degree acquisition.
- (5) With respect to their academic socialisation, doctoral students taking part in doctoral education shall belong to the research centre that matches their potential research topic or is involved in the training, shall be the members of the teaching and research community there, as well as participants of professional, scientific and other events. The institutes and research centres involved in training shall help ensure the infrastructure needed for the purposes of the doctoral student's research work.
- (6) The doctoral student may file a written complaint with the Director General of the Corvinus Doctoral Schools against a decision by the Head of the DS or by the CoDs, which shall be answered in 15 calendar days.
- (7) The doctoral student may lodge an appeal with respect to the student status in accordance with the rules governing the consideration of applications at first instance and appeals (hereinafter HJR).

Financial support accessible to doctoral students

18. §

- (1) The various benefits that may be granted to doctoral students shall be set out in the Regulation on Student Fees and Benefits.

Fees and charges payable by doctoral students

19. §

- (1) The fees and charges payable by doctoral students shall be set out in the Regulation on Student Fees and Benefits.
- (2) The provisions of the Study and Examination Regulation (TVSZ) on reclassification shall be applied in such a manner that Student Services (HSZ) shall be understood as the UDO and the Study Committee shall be understood as the Doctoral Cabinet

Teaching activity of the doctoral students

20. §

- (1) Students taking part in doctoral education may undertake teaching tasks and tasks related to the organisation of education, the manner of which is set out in the present regulation. The doctoral student shall receive credits for performing these tasks.
- (2) The doctoral student shall also be remunerated by the University for the teaching activity in accordance with the relevant rules.
- (3) Should the doctoral student deem that the task and obligations imposed on him/her by the institute (research centre) jeopardise the progress expected in doctoral education, he/she may file a complaint with either the Head of the Doctoral School or the representative of the Doctoral Student Council. The Director General of CDS may launch an investigation with respect to the complaint.

THE DOCTORAL DEGREE ACQUISITION PROCEDURE AND THE CERTIFICATE

Criteria for the acquisition of the doctoral (PhD) degree

21. §

- (1) In doctoral education the acquisition of the doctoral degree is subject to
- a) Performing the required study, research, publication and teaching obligations, completing tasks serving to orient the student towards an academic career, as well as acquiring 240, or in the case of persons opting for individual preparation, 120 credit points (taking into account the defined ratio of credit types) (*absolutorium*);
 - b) Successfully completing the comprehensive examination;
 - c) The required publication output as a condition for being allowed to defend the dissertation;
 - d) Proven proficiency in two foreign languages for the purposes of performing academic activity in the given discipline. Proficiency in one of the two foreign languages shall be proven by a state-recognised, at least level „B2” complex language examination or equivalent.⁴ One of the two foreign languages shall be English, the other foreign language is expected to be such that the regular and high-level publication opportunity of research results in that language is secured in the discipline in which the doctoral student performs academic activity (proof thereof shall be presented by the doctoral student upon application for entering the degree acquisition procedure and shall be approved by the Council of the Doctoral School).
 - e) A student with disabilities applying to enter the degree acquisition procedure may be granted exemption from part of the language examination requirements as a one-off decision, subject to the type of disability/disabilities stated in the expert opinion. Eligibility for the exemption shall be established by the university’s Disability Committee, on the basis of the proposal of the Council of the Doctoral School. If the student with disabilities had been exempted from meeting part of the language examination requirements during the admission procedure and his/her condition was declared as permanent by the expert committee, there is no need to launch a new procedure.
 - f) Proof of proficiency in the other foreign language may be presented in one of the following ways:
 1. For foreign citizens whose mother tongue is not Hungarian – except those whose mother tongue is English – the candidate’s mother tongue shall be considered as proof with respect to the second foreign language.
 2. A state-recognised at least level „B1” complex language examination or equivalent²; or
 3. An attestation by the Corvinus Foreign Language Teaching and Research Centre to the effect that the candidate is sufficiently proficient in one of the languages to perform academic activities; or
 4. Acting as a lecturer during a minimum one-semester long course or block course delivered in a foreign language, which was recorded in the Neptun system or the candidate is in possession of an official certification thereof.

In the case of a student with disabilities an exemption may be granted as a one-off decision from certifying the second foreign language⁵. Eligibility for the exemption shall

⁴ The scope of acceptable language examinations and their equivalence shall be established on the basis of the resolution of the Corvinus Foreign Language Teaching and Research Centre.

⁵ Pursuant to Article 62(1) of Government Decree 87/2015. (IV. 9.) on the implementation of certain provisions of Act CCIV of 2011

be established by the university's Disability Committee on the proposal of the Council of the Doctoral School, on the basis of disabilities stated in the expert opinion.

- g) Assessment of independent research by the supervisor
- h) Successful completion of the discussion of the thesis proposal;
- i) Proof of payment of financial obligations.

(2) Scientific publication activities

- a) Only publications aligned with the accredited discipline(s), branch(es) of science of the doctoral schools as well as with the research topic of the doctoral student may be eligible as scientific publications. Should the doctoral student challenge the position of the Programme Director with respect to a given scientific publication, the Head of the relevant Doctoral School shall decide in the matter of acceptance or rejection. The Head of the Doctoral School may seek the opinion of Programme Council or the Head of Specialisation in this exercise.
- b) Scientific publications shall be understood as written works published in scholarly journals or peer-reviewed books. Only one journal article awaiting acceptance may be taken into account if the candidate attaches an official declaration of acceptance;
- c) Specialist scholarly journal: publication recognised in the MTMT database as a scholarly and peer-reviewed journal;
- d) A book shall be considered to be scientific if it is peer-reviewed, contains new scientific results or offers a comprehensive overview of a field with a new approach;
- e) The acceptance of specialist books (and book chapters) as scientific output shall be subject to the decision of the Council of the Doctoral School. Basic criteria: the book must be peer-reviewed, must be marketed officially. Non-scientific books shall fall in the category of other output.

(3) Other professional-scientific output shall be assessed individually. Its value expressed in points shall be defined by the RO of the DS. Output that may be taken into account:

- a) Compilation, lecture note or book chapter;
- b) Participation in a domestic or international conference with a presentation or poster if at least the abstract is published (in case of written document and certified participation);
- c) Scientific study;
- d) Specialist creation (for instance the development of an IT system, model or software);
- e) documented involvement in the development of teaching materials.

(4) ⁶ The value of the doctoral student's publication expressed in points shall be defined as follows for the purposes of obtaining both the *absolutorium* and the doctoral degree.

- a) The value of journal articles expressed in points⁷:

Articles in journals	Version „A”	Version „B”
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⁶ In calculating the points required for the purposes of obtaining the *absolutorium*, for students who commenced their doctoral studies after 1 September 2016, but before 1 September 2019, the higher of the points attributable for the given journal article under Version „A” and Version „B” should be taken into account. Students however shall declare whether they wish the calculation pursuant to the „A”, „B”, „C” or „D” version to be applied for the purposes of degree acquisition.

⁷ In the training offered by the Doctoral School of Sociology and Communication Science, the list of journals compiled by the competent inter-sectional committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA) and approved by the UDC may be taken into account.

	For students who had commenced their doctoral studies prior to 1 September 2016		For students who commenced their doctoral studies after 1 September 2019	
	Students who commenced their doctoral studies after 1 September 2016 and before 1 September 2019 may choose either the „A” or „B” version			
	Foreign-language article	Hungarian-language article	Article published in international journal	Article published in domestic journal
1) Featured in the list of the competent doctoral committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA) as				
„A” category journals *	20	10	28	14
„B” category journals	16	8	22	11
„C” category journals	12	6	17	8
„D” category journals	8	4	8	4
2) in other scholarly journals with an ISSN number accepted by the DS and the UDC **				
	6	3	6	3

If the journal in question has a higher ranking in the Scimago database than in the international journal list of the competent committee of Section IX of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA), the Programme Director carrying out the assessment shall determine the given article's value on the basis of the Scimago system. If the journal is ranked higher in the MTA list, this shall be taken into account. Since the Scimago ranking changes every year, normally the ranking associated with the year of publication of the article or with the date of the declaration of acceptance shall be taken into account or in the absence thereof, the last year in which the journal was ranked. As Scimago offers more differentiated breakdown within the various disciplines than the MTA list, the highest value relevant to the classification of the doctoral school by discipline (by branch of science) shall be taken into account at all times.

aa) As a rule the following equivalence shall be applied:

List of international journals of the competent committee of Section IX of MTA *	Scimago Database
A	Q1/D1
B	Q2
C	Q3
D	Q4

* The doctoral schools shall mutually accept journals that are ranked in categories A, B, and C by another doctoral school, however as a rule the authoritative list shall be the one compiled by the competent doctoral committee of MTA.

ab) Value expressed in points of a „book review” recorded in MTMT:

A „book review” may be awarded 50% of the points attributable in the given category. Not more than 1 „book review” may be taken into account in the category of peer-reviewed journals.

- b) The value expressed in points of specialist books and book chapters with an ISBN number reporting new scientific results and of papers published in peer-reviewed conference volumes with an ISBN number featuring the editorial board:

Specialist books and book chapters	Foreign-language	Hungarian-language
1) Full scientific book of a length of at least 5 publisher's sheets: per publisher page and for one book maximum 2) Book chapters	4-8/publisher's page, max 40	2-4/publisher's page, max 25
3) Papers published in peer-reviewed conference volumes (ISBN and ed. board.)	4-8/publisher's page or 4-8/piece	4/publisher's page or 4/piece

1 publisher's page = 40,000 characters with spaces

The allocation of lower or higher points shall depend on the publication outlet and the ranking of the publication.

- c) A total of 10 points may be awarded for other output in a Hungarian and 20 points in a foreign language (textbook, lecture note, presentation printed in non-refereed conference publication, poster, paper).
- d) The scoring system of MTA shall also apply for co-authored publications:

In case of 2 authors	75% x number of points
In case of 3 authors	60% x number of points
In case of 4 or more authors	30% x number of points

- (5) The publication requirements of degree acquisition may be met by either the „C” or the „D” version, irrespective of when the student commenced his/her doctoral education. In this case the 25/40 requirement shall not apply, neither does the point reduction used for co-authored paper.

Expectation				
„C” version	Quantity (pcs)	Authorship ⁸	List	Category (minimum)
	1	–	MTA	A

⁸ In case of a co-authored article a declaration from the co-authors stating that the student requesting admission to the defence of the dissertation (as co-author) played a defining (dominant) role in the research and in writing the article, shall be equivalent to first authorship. The co-authors shall further declare that they will not use (have recognised) the same article for the purposes of a doctoral procedure in any higher education institution.

			international	
	Or			
	1	–	Scimago (foreign- language)	Q1
	AND			
	1	Single author or first author	MTA domestic	A
	Or			
	2	Single author or first author	MTA domestic (of which at least 1 article is linked to CUB as defined by the Council of the Doctoral School)	C
„D” version	1	Single author or first author	Scimago (foreign- language)	„Q3”
	AND			
	1	Single author or first author	Scimago (foreign- language)	„Q4”

(6) The doctoral schools may also include in their RO a publication evaluating system that reflects the specificities of their branch of science provided that the requirements shall be equivalent to Point (4) above (in particular regarding the 25/40 point requirement) or stricter.

Commencement of the degree acquisition procedure (research and dissertation phase)

22. §

- (1) The doctoral student taking part in doctoral education may enter the research and publication phase (degree acquisition procedure) after successfully completing the comprehensive examination.
- (2) The official commencement date of the degree acquisition procedure shall be the day of the comprehensive examination. The candidate shall submit his/her doctoral dissertation within three years of entering the degree acquisition procedure.
- (3) Students who had commenced their doctoral studies prior to 1 September 2016 may enter the degree acquisition procedure upon obtaining the *absolutorium* with the support of their supervisor. This may be initiated by addressing the relevant request to the Council of the Doctoral School. Approval of admission into the degree acquisition procedure shall fall within the competence of

the UDC. The relevant decision shall specify the semester in which the student in question may enter the degree acquisition procedure. A doctoral student who has entered the degree acquisition procedure shall submit his/her doctoral dissertation within 2 years of his/her admission thereto.

The comprehensive examination

23. §

- (1) The comprehensive examination shall measure, evaluate progress made in the study and research by the doctoral student as well as shall certify his/her research aptitude. The comprehensive examination shall be passed at the end of the fourth semester as the conclusion of the study and research phase. Admission to the research and dissertation phase is subject thereto. The doctoral student may only register for the fifth semester of the training if he/she has successfully completed the comprehensive examination. Students applying for individual preparation may be admitted to the comprehensive examination if they meet the requirements set out in the regulation and if the UDC supports their application for admission to doctoral education on the proposal of the CoDS.
- (2) Criteria for being admitted to the comprehensive examination:
 - a) Fulfilling foreign language requirements,
 - b) Acquiring at least 120 credits (with the appropriate ratio of credit types) in the study and research phase of doctoral education (except doctoral students preparing individually for degree acquisition),
 - c) completing tasks serving to orient students towards an academic career
 - d) recording and approving the student's publications in the MTMT Database.
 - e) Evaluation of the work performed in the study and research phase by the supervisor as well as his/her declaration on recommending the commencement of the research and dissertation phase.
- (3) The comprehensive examination shall consist of two parts: the first part („theoretical part”) shall assess the theoretical-methodological competence of the doctoral student, in the second part („dissertation part”) the doctoral student shall demonstrate his/her scientific progress.
- (4) The comprehensive examination shall be taken before an examination board appointed by the DS and approved by the UDC. The examination board shall consist of at least three, but not more than five members, and at least one third of the members shall not be employees of the University.
- (5) The chairperson of the examination board shall be a full professor, a habilitated associate professor, a Professor Emeritus or a lecturer, researcher holding a DSc. A foreign expert may not act as the chairperson of the board.
- (6) Each member of the examination board shall hold an academic degree (with the exception of the secretary, a non-voting member who shall at least have acquired an *absolutorium*). The examination board may also include a foreign expert. The supervisor of the doctoral student may not be a member of the examination board, but is expected to attend the event.
- (7) During the theoretical part of the comprehensive examination, the doctoral student shall demonstrate his/her theoretical-methodological competence in at least two areas of expertise in

writing and/or orally. The areas of expertise shall be defined by the DS in consultation with the supervisor, taking into account the research topic of the doctoral student.

- (8) During the dissertation part of the comprehensive examination, the examinee shall give a talk (presentation) to demonstrate his/her knowledge of the academic literature, to report his/her research results, to share his/her research plan with regard to the second phase of the doctoral studies as well as shall outline the schedule for preparing the doctoral dissertation and for publishing the results on the basis of a 20-30 page paper submitted to the DS beforehand.
- (9) The detailed requirements with regard to the comprehensive examination, as well as the manner of its conduction, shall be set out in the RO of the DSs. The comprehensive examination shall take place in the examination period of the spring semester. The comprehensive examination may be postponed or retaken until the end of the spring semester of the academic year in question (by 31 August at the latest). The comprehensive examination may be postponed if this was pre-authorized by the Head of the DS on the basis of the doctoral student's substantiated request or if the doctoral student is not able to show up at the comprehensive examination due to any reason beyond his/her control (e.g. traffic obstacles, travel restrictions) or an unforeseen reason (e.g. sudden illness, death of close relative) and shall notify (send a proof to) the Head of the DS thereof within 3 calendar days.
- (10) The examination board shall evaluate the theoretical-methodological and the dissertation part of the examination separately. It shall draw up detailed minutes of the comprehensive examination, containing a written assessment of the doctoral student's work from a scientific point of view. The result of the comprehensive examination shall be announced on the day of the oral examination.
- (11) The minutes of the comprehensive examination shall include:
 - a) The name of the higher education institution and its institution identification number,
 - b) The name, student identification number of the doctoral candidate or the doctoral student
 - c) His/her previous level of qualification and professional qualification,
 - d) The name of the supervisor and his/her lecturer identification number,
 - e) The discipline and the branch of science in which the degree is to be acquired,
 - f) The questions asked during the *rigorosum* or the comprehensive examination and the assessment of the answers given,
 - g) The grade/assessment of the *rigorosum* or of the comprehensive examination,
 - h) The name of the chairperson and the members of the *rigorosum* committee or the comprehensive examination board, their lecturer identification number and their signature.
- (12) Both parts of the comprehensive examination shall be evaluated by means of a written assessment (passed, failed).
- (13) The comprehensive examination is successful if the majority of board members considers both examination parts to be successful.
- (14) The overall evaluation of the examination shall be as follows:
 - a) Successful if the assessment of both parts is „passed”
 - b) Unsuccessful if the assessment of either of its parts is „failed”.
- (15) In case of a successful comprehensive examination the doctoral student may go on with his/her studies.
- (16) An unsuccessful comprehensive examination may be retaken by the doctoral student once, within the same examination period.

The thesis proposal and its assessment

24. §

- (1) The doctoral student's thesis proposal shall serve to document his/her competence and fitness as a researcher.
- (2) The defence of the thesis proposal may only take place after successfully completing the comprehensive examination as well as recording and approving the student's publications in the MTMT database. In order to ensure adequate publicity, thesis proposal discussions may only take place between the last day of the spring examination period and the first day of the autumn study period in exceptionally justified cases, subject to the approval of the CDS Director General.
- (3) The doctoral student shall make a declaration on having prepared the thesis proposal on his/her own, without any unauthorised assistance and having used the sources provided in it. He/she has clearly marked and given the source of all parts, including his/her own previous work, that were taken verbatim from another source or were rephrased to convey the same meaning.
- (4) The detailed procedure of the thesis proposal discussion shall be set out in the RO of each the DS.
- (5) The thesis proposal shall be defended in a public session in the presence of experts holding an academic degree in the given field of expertise. The professional standard and the stage of completion of the thesis proposal shall be assessed by a committee designated for that purpose.
- (6) The thesis proposal shall be evaluated by a Thesis Proposal Evaluation Committee (TPEC) consisting of at least three and at the most six members. The chairperson of the TPEC shall be a full professor, Professor Emeritus or a habilitated associate professor. One of its members shall be an external expert (who is not an employee of the University). The official pre-opponents and the doctoral student's supervisor (who cannot act as either chairperson or opponent) are always members of the TPEC. The (non-voting) secretary of the TPEC may also be a doctoral student who has acquired the *absolutorium*.
- (7) The task of the TPEC is to deem, taking into account the debate as well, whether the results included in the thesis proposal and the qualities of the candidate as a researcher guarantee the completion and submission of a successfully defensible doctoral dissertation by the required deadline as well as to assist the doctoral student by offering advice on preparing the final dissertation.
 - a) The TPEC shall prepare an assessment (draw up the minutes). It shall take a position on whether the committee recommends the thesis proposal of the doctoral student
 - b) To be accepted (submitted) without modification;
 - c) To be accepted (submitted) with the listed modifications;
 - d) Not to be accepted due to the listed reasons and suggests that a new thesis proposal be drafted.
- (8) The chairperson and secretary of the TPEC shall authenticate the minutes by signing them, then send them to the Head of the Doctoral School who in turn shall submit it to the UDC.

Submission of the doctoral dissertation

25. §

- (1) The procedure of defending the dissertation shall be initiated by the doctoral student and the supervisor in a written request addressed to the Head of the DS and submitted to the University Doctoral Office. The submission of the doctoral dissertation is subject to acquiring the *absolutorium* (240 credits), successfully defending the thesis proposal during the discussion, meeting the foreign language requirements as well as recording and approving the student's

publications in the MTMT database. Further conditions of the submission of the doctoral dissertation shall be that the doctoral student does not have a doctoral degree acquisition procedure underway in the same branch of science, that his/her application for entering the degree acquisition procedure was not rejected in the last two years, nor did his/her doctoral defence conclude with an unsuccessful result. The doctoral student shall make a written declaration on complying with these further conditions at the time of submitting the dissertation and at the time of applying to enter the degree acquisition procedure. The defence of the degree in the framework of a public debate shall also be part of the procedure for obtaining the doctoral degree.

- (2) The University Doctoral Office is tasked with administration with respect to the doctoral dissertation as well as the organisation of the public defence.
- (3) The dissertation, its Hungarian- and English-language theses (thesis booklet) shall be submitted both in a printed and electronic form along with the request. Co-authorship shall not be permitted for doctoral dissertations.
- (4) The doctoral student may hand in the dissertation in Hungarian and/or in English, or in a world language preauthorised by the DS.
- (5) The English-language theses of a dissertation that was written in Hungarian only shall be drawn up in such detail that allows the new scientific results of the dissertation to be clearly judged.
- (6) Should a Hungarian citizen write the dissertation in a foreign language only, he /she shall be required to submit detailed theses in Hungarian. A dissertation submitted by a foreign student does not need to be accompanied with a Hungarian-language thesis booklet.
- (7) The doctoral student shall make a declaration on having prepared the dissertation on his/her own, without any unauthorised assistance and on having used the sources provided in it. He/she has clearly marked and given the source of all parts, including his/her own previous work, that were taken verbatim from another source or were rephrased to convey the same meaning.
- (8) Following submission, the dissertation shall undergo a plagiarism check. In view of the fact that in the case of article-based dissertations, the articles inserted in the documents (accepted manuscripts) have been screened by the journal's editors, the plagiarism check shall only be applied to text parts other than the articles.
- (9) The dissertation and the theses are publicly available both in printed and electronic form. Doctoral dissertations and theses become public once the decision on admitting the doctoral student to defence are taken by the UDC.
- (10) Following the defence the bibliographical data of the doctoral dissertation shall be made available to the public in the MTMT database, with an identifier (DOI) assigned to them in accordance with generally accepted international practice. The author shall feature the DOI number as an URL of the referenced work in the list of references (citations) at the end of the doctoral dissertation whenever possible.
- (11) The University Doctoral Office is tasked with initiating the publication of submitted materials. The University Library (hereinafter Library) shall make them public in such a manner that it shall deposit the electronic versions in the CUB Doctoral Dissertations Electronic Archives. Following a successful defence, the University Doctoral Office shall make sure that the composition of the Evaluation Committee and the date of the defence are attached to the dissertations deposited in the library.
- (12) The readers' attention shall be called to the fact that both the printed and the electronic forms are copyright protected and that they may only be read for the purposes of the defence procedure and may not be referenced until they have been defended and approved. Rejected dissertations

shall be blocked by the University (their publicity shall be ended). The University Doctoral Office shall keep one copy of such dissertations for five years after which it shall take care of destroying them.

(13) The dissertation is the intellectual property of the author, therefore further publication in full or in part shall be subject to his/her written consent. Accordingly, the author shall have the right to publish his/her dissertation in its original language or in another language. In this respect the publication of the dissertation on either the University's or the National Doctoral Council's website shall not constitute any restriction for either the author or the publisher.

(14) Both the thesis proposal and the final dissertation may be submitted as a compilation of own scholarly publications (article-based dissertation).

(15) The minimum requirements of article-based dissertations are as follows:

- a) The dissertation shall contain a longer (cca. 30-page) report with references in which the candidate justifies and joins together the articles making up the main part of the dissertation, furthermore it shall contain a summary.
- b) The main part shall consist of three, at the most five articles that were published in journals or for which a declaration of acceptance has been issued. The publication dates of the articles may not be older than five years prior to commencing doctoral training. The main part shall include at least three articles complying with one of the two versions below:

„A” version	„B” version
1 English language article published or expected to be published in a journal of at least SJR Q3 ranking	1 English language article published in a journal of at least SJR Q2 ranking
AND	AND
2 articles published in a domestic/international journal of at least A-B ranking in the list of the competent committee of Section IX of MTA (or SJR Q1-Q2)	2 articles published in a domestic/international journal of at least A-C ranking in the list of the competent committee of Section IX of MTA (or SJR Q1-Q3)

- c) Of the articles defined in either the „A” or the „B” version, at least 1 article shall have been de facto published. An official declaration of acceptance from the editor containing favourable reviews and the fact of expected publication may be allowed for not more than 2 further articles.
- d) Of the articles defined in either the „A” or the „B” versions, at least 1 article shall be either single-authored or co-authored with the doctoral student being the first author. This requirement may be waived if at least 1 of the articles constituting the main part is such a co-authored article that was published in SJR Q1-ranked journal or the candidate is in possession of a declaration of acceptance from the editor containing favourable reviews and the fact of expected publication.
- e) As the Scimago ranking changes each year, normally the ranking associated with the year of publication of the article or with the date of the declaration of acceptance shall be taken into account or in the absence thereof, the last year in which the journal was ranked. As Scimago offers more differentiated breakdown within the various disciplines than the MTA list, the highest value relevant to the classification of the doctoral school by discipline (by branch of science) shall be taken into account at all times.

- f) Article-based dissertations shall be submitted in English. Article-based dissertations may contain non-English language articles as well, but these shall be translated by the doctoral student into English and he/she shall declare that the content of the original article and of the English translation are fully identical.
- (16) The thesis proposal preceding the article-based dissertation shall comply with the requirements with regard to the content of the article-based dissertation, with the sole difference that of the articles defined in either the „A” or the „B” versions, there does not need to be any de facto published article. At the same time at least 2 of the articles regarding which the candidate is in possession of a declaration of acceptance from the editor containing favourable reviews and the fact of expected publication, furthermore one of the two planned articles shall be underway (ready for submission).
- (17) A doctoral student who plans to submit an article-based dissertation shall make a declaration thereof at the comprehensive examination and shall present the outline of his/her article-based dissertation in a longer (cca. 30-page) submission.
- (18) The DSs may deviate in their RO from the minimum requirements of article-based dissertations set out in the present regulation, provided that they do not define lighter requirements. In the case of DSs where the option of submitting article-based dissertations was offered prior to the entering into force of the present regulation, doctoral students affiliated with the school who passed their comprehensive examination prior to the entering into force of the present regulation may submit their article-based dissertation in accordance with former requirements.

The Dissertation Committee evaluating the public defence

26. §

- (1) The Dissertation Committee invited to evaluate the dissertation (hereinafter Committee) shall consist of a chairperson, two or three official opponents and two further members. The Committee shall consist of at least six, but not more than seven members. Every member of the Committee shall hold an academic degree. The supervisor(s) of the doctoral student may not be (a) members(s), but his/her/their presence is desirable.
- (2) The composition of the Committee:
- a) The chairperson shall be a full professor, a Professor Emeritus or a habilitated associate professor. The chairperson may not be identical with either of the opponents of the thesis proposal;
 - b) The alternate chairperson shall be a member of the doctoral dissertation evaluation committee;
 - c) One of the opponents and one of the further members shall be an external expert;
 - d) A foreign opponent may only be invited if the dissertation and the thesis proposal are available in English or in a foreign language approved by CoDS;
 - e) While one of the opponents of the thesis proposal may be invited to evaluate the doctoral dissertation or to act as member (but not as chairperson) of the Committee, the other opponent of the thesis proposal may not act as chairperson, opponent or member in the Doctoral Dissertation Evaluation Committee;
 - f) A maximum of two members (including the secretary) of the Thesis Proposal Evaluation Committee may become members of the Doctoral Dissertation Evaluation Committee;
 - g) The foreign opponent of the thesis proposal may be invited to act as the opponent of the doctoral dissertation with the above criteria.
 - h) The secretary shall be a non-voting person holding a PhD degree.
 - i) The conditions set out in points a-h above shall also apply to alternates to be appointed to any of the committee roles.

- (3) The fulfilment of the criteria necessary for being admitted to the defence shall first be checked by the CoDS. If these are found in order, it shall address a written proposal to the UDC with regard to the official launching the defence procedure as well as to the composition of the Evaluation Committee. The proposal shall contain an alternate for each of the roles. When setting up the Evaluation Committee, it shall be ensured that the alternate chairperson is also a member. If the candidate fails to meet the criteria necessary to be admitted to the defence, the CoDS shall reject the proposal.
- (4) The UDC shall adopt a position on the proposal of the Council of the Doctoral School, shall modify it if required and shall approve it. The UDC shall take a decision on the official commencement of the defence procedure.
- (5) The official opponents shall be invited by the UDO. The opponents shall prepare an official written assessment on the dissertation within 60 calendar days of receiving the invitation. Their assessment shall include a statement on whether they recommend the dissertation to be debated in public.
- (6) The UDO shall send the doctoral dissertation, the thesis booklet, the minutes of the discussion of the thesis proposal and the assessments of the dissertation to the members of the dissertation committee electronically and if requested, in a paper version as well. Should the opponent reject the invitation to assess the dissertation, the UDO shall automatically invite the alternate opponent and set a deadline of 60 calendar days. Should the opponent fail to meet the deadline available for the assessment, an automatic one-off deadline extension of 30 days shall apply after sending the relevant reminder. Should the opponent fail to send the assessment by the 90th calendar day, the invitation shall be cancelled, the opponent shall receive a written notification thereof and the alternate opponent shall be invited. If neither the opponent nor the alternate prepares the assessment for the given deadline, the UDC shall appoint a new opponent and alternate opponent on the proposal of the CoDS.
- (7) The doctoral dissertation may be admitted to public defence if at least two opponents are in favour. In the case of one proposal in favour and one against, the UDC shall in consultation with the Head of the Doctoral School appoint a third opponent from among the alternate opponents whose status is identical with that of the dismissive opponent. If both alternate opponents have already been invited, the UDC shall appoint the third opponent on the new proposal of the CoDS whose status shall be identical with that of the dismissive opponent. In the case of securing two votes in favour, the dissertation may be admitted to public defence. In the case of two dismissive opinions, the doctoral procedure shall be declared inconclusive and shall be terminated.
- (8) Only dissertations that fully comply with the provisions of the University's Anti-plagiarism Regulations may be admitted to public defence⁹
- (9) If the official opponents or others indicate a suspected plagiarism, the UDC shall suspend the doctoral procedure and shall, in accordance with the provisions of the Anti-plagiarism Regulations, request an inquiry and in view of the outcome shall authorise the procedure to be continued or shall terminate it.

⁹ RULES FOR ORGANISATION AND OPERATION Volume I., Organisational and Operational Provisions, I.20. Anti-plagiarism Regulations

The public defence of the doctoral dissertation

27. §

- (1) The doctoral dissertation shall be admitted to public defence within 60 calendar days of receiving the second opinion in favour. In order to ensure publicity, public defences may only take place between the last day of the spring examination period and the first day of the autumn study period in exceptionally justified cases, subject to the approval of the CDS Director General.
- (2) The doctoral student shall receive the assessments electronically within 7 calendar days of the receipt of all the assessments (if at least two opinions are in favour), to which he/she shall reply within 30 days. The assessments shall be forwarded by the UDO and the replies shall also be sent to the UDO.
- (3) The assessment of the opponents and the written replies of the candidate as well as the doctoral dissertation and the thesis booklet shall be sent out electronically to each member of the Evaluation Committee not later than one week ahead of the date of the defence coordinated by the UDO.
- (4) The quorum of the Evaluation Committee shall be constituted if the chairperson, the secretary, at least one of the official opponents as well as at least two further members are present throughout the public debate and at least two of the members present are external experts. If a dismissive opinion was submitted during the assessment process, at least two opponents shall be present at the defence, including the one who formulated a dismissive opinion.
- (5) An opponent in favour who might not be able to attend the defence may communicate his/her rejoinder to the candidate's reply in writing, which shall be read out by the secretary of the Committee at the public defence.
- (6) The Evaluation Committee shall be tasked with
 - a) Assessing the doctoral dissertation submitted by the doctoral student, formulate an opinion on the follow-up to the dissertation;
 - b) Summarising the evaluations formulated in the opponents' assessments and comments;
 - c) Formulating two questions that shall be put to the doctoral student on the basis of written comments received in advance;
 - d) Examining whether the doctoral student is in possession of all the knowledge that might be expected from anyone performing research in the given topic. To verify this, they may put questions to the candidate with regard to the content of bibliographic references as well as to literature that does not feature in the dissertation, but is considered as important background material in the topic the committee's view,
 - e) Identifying the new and novel scientific results of the dissertation.
- (7) During the public debate, the doctoral student shall introduce his/her theses in the form of a free 20-minute presentation, highlighting in particular the new scientific results of the dissertation. The opponents shall present their assessments, the secretary of the committee shall read out the preliminary written comments as well as the questions of the committee. The public may put questions to the doctoral student, make comments. The doctoral student shall in turn react to the comments and questions of the opponents, the committee members and those present.
- (8) Minutes shall be drawn up of the defence and the decision of the committee.

The minutes shall contain:

- a) The name of the University, its institution identification number,

- b) The doctoral candidate's name, his/her student identification number, level of qualification and professional qualification,
- c) The discipline and branch of science in which the degree is to be acquired,
- d) The title of the dissertation, creation,
- e) The name and lecturer identification number of the supervisor,
- f) The date, venue and language of the public debate,
- g) The name, lecturer identification number and signature of the chairperson and the members of the evaluation committee,
- h) The assessment of the official opponents,
- i) The focus of the questions raised and comments made during the public debate,
- j) The name of persons participating in the debate,
- k) The opinion and evaluation of the evaluation committee.

Grading of the doctoral dissertation

28. §

- (1) When the debate comes to a close, the members of the committee shall decide on accepting the doctoral dissertation in a closed session by secret ballot, as well as shall make a recommendation with regard to the grading of the dissertation as follows:
 - a) Only those members of the Committee (including the secretary) shall have a right to vote who are present throughout the defence and the closed session. Members who are absent may not vote.
 - b) It shall be at the discretion of the committee to decide whether the decision is taken on the basis of a discussion between its members or without that.
 - c) Each member of the committee shall grade the dissertation by allocating a point on the 1-2-3-4-5 scale.
 - d) The dissertation may not be recommended for acceptance if more than two members do not support it (allocate 1 point) or if the average of the total points is lower than 3.00.
 - e) If the UDC has invited a foreign opponent to evaluate the doctoral dissertation and the entire process of the defence has been conducted in a language understood by the foreign opponent – then the foreign opponent, just like the other members, shall vote on the grading of the doctoral dissertation by secret ballot if he/she takes part (including online) in the defence and the closed session.
 - f) If the committee recommends the dissertation to be accepted, the *overall grading* thereof shall be calculated as the average of the voting points rounded to two decimal points:
 - 1. Between 4.51 and 5.00 (*summa cum laude*);
 - 2. Between 3.80 and 4.50 (*cum laude*);
 - 3. Between 3.00 and 3.79 (*rite*);
 - 4. Below 3.00 (*insufficiente*).
- (2) The committee shall communicate and justify its position publicly at the debate.
- (3) The Evaluation Committee shall draw up the minutes of the defence including its position and the justification thereof. The minutes shall contain the answer given by the doctoral student to each of the questions as well as the new or novel scientific results included in the dissertation.
- (4) The Committee shall forward the minutes of the defence and the voting results to the UDO.

- (5) Subject to the result of the defence, the CoDS shall decide whether it recommends the UDC to award the doctoral degree. The CoDS may only formulate a written amendment proposal with respect to the grading if it becomes aware of any offence or irregularity pursuant to the University's ethical code. The proposal of the CoDs addressed to the UDC shall be submitted along with the doctoral student's list of publications (the scoring allocated to each bibliographic item) and the minutes of the defence of the doctoral dissertation.
- (6) The UDC shall decide on awarding the degree on the proposal of the Evaluation Committee and the CoDs.

Awarding and revoking doctoral degrees

29. §

- (1) The UDC has decision-making powers with respect to awarding and revoking doctoral degrees.
- (2) Criteria for awarding the doctoral degree:
 - a) Fulfilling the study, research, publication and teaching obligations required for acquiring 240 credit points, or 120 credit points (*absolutorium*) for students opting for individual training;
 - b) Successful completion of the comprehensive examination;
 - c) Successful completion of the discussion of the thesis proposal;
 - d) Successful defence of the doctoral dissertation;
 - e) Fulfilling the requirements with regard to scientific publishing;
 - f) Fulfilling language requirements;
 - g) Presenting proof of payment obligations (fee of the comprehensive examination, fee of the defence etc.).
- (3) Minimum publication output necessary to obtain the doctoral degree¹⁰:
 - a) For students taking part in organised instruction, at least 40 scholarly publication points shall be collected, of which at least 25 points shall come from articles published in journals included in the list of A-C category journals of the competent committee of Section IX of MTA. Of journal articles under publication ranked in the A-C-category not more than one may be taken into account, but the relevant official, signed declaration of acceptance shall be provided by the candidate; the 40/25 point requirement may be set off by meeting the publication requirements specified in versions „C” or „D”.
 - b) For candidates who have opted for individual preparation, the fulfilment of the required publication output is evaluated by the DS and the UDC during the admission process. If the doctoral candidate's admission to the degree acquisition procedure was conditional due to his/her publication output, the fulfilment of the 50/80 point publication requirement, which is a criterion for being admitted to defence, shall be checked again.
- (4) A doctoral student taking part in a joint foreign and domestic degree acquisition process may be awarded the degree by the University, provided that he/she complies with the doctoral regulation of the University. Prior to awarding the degree, the UDC may invite domestic opponents and may also require the dissertation to be defended at the University.
- (5) Following degree acquisition, a (printed and electronic) copy of both the doctoral dissertation and the theses shall be forwarded to the University Library. Whereas the electronic version of the accepted

¹⁰ In the training offered by the Doctoral School of Sociology and Communication Science the list of journals compiled by the competent inter-sectional committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA) and approved by the UDC may be taken into account.

dissertation and theses along with their DOI identifier shall be deposited and durably preserved in the CUB Doctoral Dissertations electronic archives, the same shall apply to preserving the catalogued printed versions in the library. The author shall take care of depositing the data of the accepted doctoral dissertation and theses in the database and linking it to the electronic version with a DOI. The University Library shall inform the degree holder of the access data of the electronic version and of the DOI through the University Doctoral Office.

- (6) The doctoral student may appeal a decision taken in the procedure for obtaining the doctoral degree in accordance with HJR in the event of infringement of the law or the breach of the university doctoral regulation.
- (7) The doctoral degree may be revoked pursuant to the decision of the UDR if it is established that the conditions for awarding the degree were not fulfilled or it is demonstrated that the degree was acquired as a result of presenting someone else's intellectual property, either partially or entirely, as if it belonged to the person acquiring the degree or he/she used false or falsified data in his/her dissertation, thereby misleading or deceiving the body or person acting in doctoral matters. There is no statute of limitation on substantiated acts of plagiarism, only the holder of the degree may be held liable and not the bodies and persons acting in doctoral matters. The procedure to revoke the doctoral title may only take place if the holder of the title is alive when the procedure is launched.
- (8) The procedure to revoke the doctoral degree may be initiated by anyone with the UDC chairperson issuing the degree, who is able to substantiate the provisions set out in point (6) above or provides substantiated presumption thereof, or anyone who holds a doctoral or equivalent academic degree in the discipline of the topic covered by the contested doctoral dissertation.
- (9) If a final ruling was handed down on the infringement of copyright in court proceedings initiated by the original author prior to launching the procedure, the UDC shall not be required to undertake the inquiry, the final ruling being sufficient to revoke the degree.
- (10) An appeal against the decision on the revocation of the degree may be lodged in accordance with HJR in the event of infringement of the law or the breach of the university doctoral regulation.

The doctoral certificate

30. §

- (1) The University Doctoral Office shall issue a certificate relating to the doctoral degree awarded by the UDC and shall also record the relevant decision in the university doctoral register. Information on the awarded doctoral degrees shall be reported to the higher education information system, FIR, within fifteen days of issuing the certificate.
- (2) The doctoral certificate is a secure document printed on the form issued by the Education Authority, which features:
 - a) The coat of arms of Hungary;
 - b) The name and institution identification number of the awarding institution;
 - c) Data suitable for identifying the holder of the certificate (name, name at birth, place and date of birth);
 - d) The serial number of the certificate, the place and date of issue;
 - e) The name of the awarded degree, its classification according to discipline and branch of science;
 - f) The signature of the rector and of the chairperson of the UDC;
 - g) The imprint of the official stamp of the University.

The text of the doctoral certificate is annexed to the present Regulation.

- (3) The grade of the certificate shall depend on the grading of the defence (in case the comprehensive examination was passed):
 - a) *summa cum laude* if the defence was *summa cum laude*,
 - b) *cum laude* if the defence was *cum laude*,
 - c) *rite* if the defence was *rite*.
- (4) The university shall issue the certificate in the Hungarian and English languages.
- (5) A graduation ceremony shall be held twice a year to confer the doctoral degree upon persons who obtained a degree at the University. Persons who obtained a doctoral degree may use the abbreviation Dr. or PhD with their name as specified in the Nftv.
- (6) With the prior consent of the President of the Republic, the University shall confer a doctoral title with distinction called "*Promotio sub auspiciis praesidentis Rei Publicae*" on students whose performance has been consistently evaluated as excellent throughout their secondary school, university and doctoral studies.
- (7) The University Doctoral Office shall maintain records of the issued certificates.
- (8) An honorary certificate may be requested against a fee. The honorary doctoral certificate shall be printed in Latin on A3 size paper, its text being annexed to the present Regulation.

Nostrification of academic degrees obtained abroad

31. §

- (1) The nostrification of academic degrees attested by foreign certificates shall fall under the competence of the University if they were issued in the discipline (branch of science) in which any of the accredited schools of the University carry out training, and if the competence of the doctoral school involved in the procedure can be clearly established.
- (2) The UDC shall nostrify an academic degree obtained abroad as a doctoral (PhD) degree if
 - a) It was issued by a foreign educational institution that is entitled to issue academic degrees under the legal order of the foreign state, and
 - b) The requirements of the acquisition of the academic degree correspond to the requirements laid down in the University doctoral regulations or can be matched with them through imposing additional criteria. Among these criteria the preparation of the doctoral dissertation, its successful defence and fitness for research proven by publications shall be given priority.
- (3) The request for nostrification, addressed to the chairperson of the UDC, shall be submitted to the University doctoral Office along with the prerequisite documents attesting the equivalent university (MSc/MA) degree and the foreign academic degree as well as their certified translation into Hungarian (if they are not in English). The administrative fee of the nostrification shall be determined by the UDC and published on the University's website.
- (4) The UDC shall have the request examined by the council of the competent DS. As part of the procedure two experts (one of them a core member of the doctoral school, the other an external expert holding a PhD who is a core member of a doctoral school of another university) shall declare whether it can be duly established on the basis of the certificate that is the subject of nostrification, the dissertation, its defence and the applicant's publication list, that the PhD degree obtained abroad is equivalent with the degree acquisition criteria set out in the University doctoral regulation. The chairperson of the UDC shall submit the expert opinions as well as the position of the Council of the competent DS to the UDC, which in turn decides on nostrification.

- (5) The decision of the UDC on the nostrification of the academic degree shall entitle the applicant to use the doctoral (PhD) title.

Conferring honorary doctor titles

32. §

- (1) On the proposal of the rector and after consulting the UDC, the Senate may award the honorary doctor title (*Doctor Honoris Causa*) or the honorary doctor and professor title (*Doctor et Professor Honoris Causa*) University – in branches of science where the University is entitled to award doctoral degrees – to persons who are not employees of the University.
- (2) The *Doctor et Professor Honoris Causa* title may be awarded to persons who have merited it by their scientific activity, the *Doctor Honoris Causa* title may be awarded to persons who carry out internationally recognised, prominent political and public activity.
- (3) An opinion on the proposal to award an honorary doctor title shall be given by the relevant CoDs as well as the UDC.
- (4) The awardee shall receive an honorary certificate, to be conferred during the doctoral award ceremony.

Awarding the title of chairperson for life/honorary chairperson

33. §

- (1) On the proposal of the rector and after consulting with the UDC, the Senate may recognise the activity of a UDC chairperson with the chairperson for life/honorary chairperson title (certificate), who played a decisive role in overseeing doctoral training for a period exceeding two election terms and directed the council's work.
- (2) The awardee shall receive an honorary certificate, to be conferred during the doctoral award ceremony.

The quality management system of doctoral training

34. §

- (1) The quality management system of doctoral training shall be governed by the quality assurance regulations of doctoral education at the Corvinus University of Budapest. The University Doctoral Council shall be responsible for designing, adopting the quality assurance regulations and reviewing them at intervals of no more than 5 years.

Conflict of interest

35. §

- (1) Anyone who is a close relative of the subject or cannot be expected to judge the case objectively, may not be involved in the doctoral procedure as an official opponent or committee member. Thus the supervisor is in particular affected by the conflict of interest clause. Furthermore anyone with who the person submitting the document constituting the subject of the doctoral procedure has co-

authored a paper may not be a member of the Thesis Proposal Evaluation Committee (TPEC), the comprehensive examination board or the evaluation committee of the doctoral dissertation, nor may he/she act as an official opponent, assessor. This shall be checked in MTMT by the person in charge of proposing the committee members.

- (2) If the person submitting the thesis proposal or the doctoral dissertation or his/her supervisor either consults with anyone involved as an official opponent or committee member in the doctoral procedure in progress about the document under assessment, or urges the opponent to prepare the assessment, this shall be considered as behaviour that interferes with objective assessment.

Final provisions

36. §

- (1) The present Regulation was adopted by the Board of Trustees at its meeting of 1 October 2020.
- (2) The present Regulation shall enter into force on 15 October 2020, at the same time the Doctoral Regulation adopted by Resolution No SZ-162/2015/2016. (2016. VI. 20.) of the Senate and its subsequent amendments shall be repealed.
- (3) The present Regulation shall constitute Annex 8 of the Student Requirements.
- (4) In the event of any divergence from the Study and Examination Rules (TVSZ) or with the Regulation on Student Fees and Benefits (HJSZ), TVSZ and HJSZ shall prevail.

Text of the Latin-language honorary doctoral certificate

Nos Rector

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et Consilium de Promotione Doctorali in eadem Universitate
Lecturis salutem!*

*Laudabile maiorum nostrorum institutum est, ut qui se in disciplinis fundamentalibus ac specialibus
excoluerint dignaque huius rei signa praestiterint, legitimum eruditionis ac doctrinae suae testimonium
consequantur.*

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demonstravisset, eum/eam auctoritate nobis lege collata ad gradum Philosophiae Doctoris promovimus
eique titulo*

Philosophiae Doctoris (Ph.D.)

*utendi fruendique conferimus potestatem. In cuius rei fidem hoc diploma sigillo Universitatis nostrae
munitum et subscriptionibus propriis roboratum ei dari curavimus.*

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*Praeses
Consilii de Promotione Doctorali*

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*Rector magnificus
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