



## Münster Doctoral School of History/ Promotionsschule Geschichte Münster (PGM)

Subject-specific appendix to the Regulations of the Graduate School of the Department of  
History/Philosophy for the doctoral subjects of History and Byzantine Studies

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- (1) Language Requirements: The provisions of the Doctoral Regulations of the Departments 8 and 9 (2012) are applicable.
- (2) In the course of the doctoral studies, a total of 180 ECTS credits must be earned. Of those, 145 ECTS credits are awarded for the realization of the dissertation project and the writing of the dissertation itself. The doctoral studies program consists of the following two components:
  - Compulsory requirements in the scope of 12 ECTS credits;
  - Elective requirements in the scope of 23 ECTS credits.
- (3) The compulsory requirements (total of 12 ECTS credits) comprise the following elements:
  - At the end of the first and the second year, an evaluation of the work progress takes place (4 ECTS credits each, 8 in total). For this meeting, the doctoral candidate prepares a written report. Next to outlining the work carried out so far, the report contains a work plan for the completion of the doctoral project. The meeting is attended by the doctoral candidate, the first and if possible the second advisor, as well as a member of the board of the PGM. The results are summarized in a brief protocol which must be signed by all parties present.
  - The doctoral candidate is expected to be actively involved in the preparation and conduct of the annual meeting of the PGM. Participation accounts for a total of 4 ECTS credits over the duration of the doctoral studies program.
- (4) The elective requirements in the scope of 23 ECTS credits are selected by the doctoral candidate, depending on his or her needs, from the list of activities below and must be stated in the supervision agreement (according to §9 (6) of the Doctoral Regulations of the Department of Philosophy and §4 (5) of the Regulations of the Graduate School of Department 8).

The options for elective requirements are:

- Attendance of suitable courses, e.g. research colloquia offered by the participating departments/institutes, summer schools, trainings in digital

- literacy (up to 6 ECTS credits). A certificate of attendance is necessary.
- Participation in a reading group organized internally by doctoral candidates for the duration of at least one year (up to 6 ECTS credits)
  - Attendance of a conference or a research colloquium at another university, to which the doctoral candidate must contribute a presentation (up to 9 ECTS credits)
  - Poster presentation at a conference (up to 3 ECTS credits)
  - Publication of a journal article, an article in an edited volume, a book review, a research blog or a similar type of publication (up to 12 ECTS credits)
  - Organization of an academic conference (up to 6 ECTS credits)
  - Organization of a colloquium (up to 2 ECTS credits)
  - Organization and conduct of a field trip (up to 6 ECTS credits)
  - Participation in a field trip (up to 3 ECTS credits)
  - Participation in the conceptional design of an exhibition (up to 12 ECTS credits)
  - Internship and subsequent reflection on how the doctoral candidate was able to provide his or her expertise and which career prospects the field of work allows (up to 12 ECTS credits)
  - Teaching of an own university course (up to 6 ECTS credits)
  - Participation in a training of rhetoric skills, in courses of the Graduate Centre or the Career Service, or in didactics courses of the Centre for Teaching in Higher Education (*Zentrum für Hochschullehre*) (up to 3 ECTS credits)
  - Attendance of courses aiming to improve foreign language skills (up to 6 ECTS credits)
  - Participation in measures promoting equal opportunities in the doctoral studies (diversity, gender, reconciliation of family life and doctorate; up to 3 ECTS credits)
  - Performance in the area of research transfer (up to 6 ECTS credits)