Because of §67 paragraph 3, sentence 2 of the ruling for higher education institutions in the Land of North Rhine-Westphalia (Hochschulgesetz – HG) in the version of the Higher Education Autonomy Act of 1st January 2007 (Hochschulfreiheitsgesetz - HfG) the University of Münster has made the following regulations:

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§ 1 Promotion target

(1) The PhD program of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science enables highly qualified young researchers to study within the framework of normally three years to do their own independent scientific work in a special subject, intensively supported by the professors. With the graduation the applicant should prove the ability for independent, self-motivated academic working.

(2) This ability is proved by passing the doctoral examination. The examination consists of two different parts: a written work (dissertation) and an oral defense ("disputation") of the doctoral thesis. With the examination the applicant should prove, that he/she:

1. acquired an understanding of this scientific discipline and the relevant knowledge and skills.
2. has expanded the frontiers of knowledge with his research, that meets international standards.
3. can independently design and carry out significant research projects of several years with scientific integrity.
4. is able to do critical analysis of scientific problems and innovative problem solutions.
5. is able to communicate with the scientific community and the society in general about their own special field of research.

(3) In appreciation of this achievement the Faculty of Educational and Social Science awards the degree of a doctor philosophiae (Dr. phil.).

(4) In recognition of outstanding scientific achievements or extraordinary merits the faculty can award the degree of a "doctor honoris causa" (Dr. h. c.), an honorary doctor.

§ 2 Forms of promotion

(1) The promotion can be done in the following forms:

1. as an individual doctorate
2. within the framework of a Graduate School of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science or
3. within the framework of other institutions (Faculty, Graduate School...), if an agreement has been concluded with the institution to which the PhD Committee has given its consent. Given that the promotion is done at a Graduate School expanded regulations to the PhD regulations of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science can be given.

(2) The promotion takes place in one subject and consists of

1. the doctoral studies. This includes the production of the written work in accordance with § 8 (dissertation) and a structured and individually supervised accompanying studies (Annex A) and
2. a doctoral examination in accordance with § 10 (disputation)

(3) The promotion program usually take three years. Details shall be specified with the confirming supervision (§ 6 Abs. 4, Annex C).

(4) Areas of study are all subjects which are represented by the Faculty of Educational and Social Science: Studies in education, communication science, political science and sociology. In justified cases there is the possibility of an interdisciplinary graduate program. This should be requested from the PhD committee (§3).

(5) The accompanying scientific study program take place in the subject in which the doctoral examination will be held. Further details should be regulated in the supervision agreement (§6 Abs. 4).
§ 3 PhD Committee

(1) For the organization of the promotion and the other tasks in result of this PhD regulations the Faculty of Educational and Social Science forms a PhD committee. This committee is made up of members of the groups within the meaning of § 11 Abs. 1 HG NRW of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science. It consists of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and seven more members. The Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and three more members are selected from the group of university teachers. Each subject should be represented - the educational science (if possible) with two members. In each of both constituencies (Educational and Social Science - following the meaning of § 8 sentence 1 b and c of the regulations for the elections to faculty councils of the University of Münster) one member from the group of graduated academic staff and the PhD students is selected for the PhD committee. The term of office for members from the group of university teachers and from the group of academic staff is three years - for the students one year.

(2) The Faculty Council chooses on the suggestion of its members the members of the PhD committee and their deputies, with the possibility of re-election. A prematurely eliminated member should be replaced for the remaining term of office. The Faculty Council chooses the Chairman and the Vice-Cairman from among the university teachers of the PhD Committee.

(3) The PhD committee ensures the compliance with all terms of the PhD regulations. It instructs the supervisors with the proper implementation of the promotion. It makes suggestions for reforms of the PhD regulations.

(4) Where decisions are taken on the assessment of promotion only the members of the group of the university teachers and the group of academic staff shall be consulted on the decision and have voting rights. The other members act only in an advisory capacity.

(5) The PhD committee has a quorum if the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and at least two more members with voting rights are present. The committee decides by a majority of the votes. In the event of a tie the chairman shall decide.

(6) The meetings of the committee shall not be open to the public. The members of the committee and their deputies are sworn to official secrecy. So long as they are not in public service, they are to be sworn to secrecy by the Chairman.

(7) The committee may assign the undertaking of its duties in standard cases to the chairman; this shall not apply to the decision on objections.

(8) The administrative office is the Dean's Office of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science.

§ 4 Admission to the doctoral studies program

(1) The admission to the doctoral studies program is made by the enrollment for the graduate study programs. The subject corresponds to those of the previous exams. In justified cases a closely related field can be selected.

(2) The enrollment presupposes the proof of one of the following university degrees:
   1. graduation after relevant university studies with a standard period of study of at least eight semesters for which another degree is awarded as 'Bachelor' (§ 67 para. 4a HG);
   2. graduation after relevant university studies completed with at least 1,5 and following preparatory studies in the doctoral subject (§ 67 para. 4b HG). These preparatory studies could take place before acceptance into the study programmes or besides the doctoral studies. In detail this is decided by the Chairman of the PhD Committee on a proposal of the first supervisor or by the group of supervisors in the framework of the PhD supervision agreement (§ 6 para. 4);
3. graduation in a relevant Master’s Course with a duration of at least two but not more than four semesters. This master study should be based on bachelor studies (§ 61 para. 2 sentence 2 HG)

The graduations according to 1. and 3. must be rated at least with 2,5. The Chairman is able to decide about justified exceptions after consultation with the proposed first supervisor.

(3) Relevant graduations at scientific universities outside the territory of the German Constitution may be recognised upon application if they are equivalent to the degrees in paragraph 2.

(4) A relevant graduation is one which corresponds to the selected subject. In exceptional cases the Chairman could recognize a graduation in another subject as relevant if the supervisor or the group of supervisors confirm the professional and personal aptitude of the PhD applicant. The Chairman could combine the recognition with the obligation that the student works on additional studies during the study program.

(5) The applicant should prove the in Annex A regulated language skills. In exceptional cases the first supervisor or the group of supervisors may allow that:
   1. the student may make up for the lack of language skills,
   2. the requirement of a language mentioned in Annex C could be replaced by the knowledge of another language or
   3. the evidence could be dispensed with.

(6) Another prerequisite for admission to the doctoral studies program is the contract of a support agreement in which the first supervisor, the group of supervisors or the institution (graduate school)
   1. name the first supervisor and possibly the other members of the group of supervisors
   2. confirm the aptitude of the candidate
   3. regulate the support in the framework of structured and individually supervised accompanying studies.

(7) A certificate shall be issued by the first supervisor that confirm that the requirements are met. This certificate may be submitted to the "Studierendensekretariat“.

(8) The reasons for a rejection of the application shall be stated in writing. The rejection shall provide information on legal remedies.

§ 5 Personal support of PhD students
(1) Normally the doctoral studies takes six semesters and involves:
   1. a dissertation (§8)
   2. structured, disciplinary and individually supervised accompanying studies according to annex A or in the framework of a graduate school
   3. a disputation (§10).

(2) Attended courses at universities in Germany and abroad in a relevant subject or other achievements at university in the framework of scientific work can be taken into account for the promotion studies.

(3) A credit to the full extent of the doctoral program is only possible if a teacher of the Faculty of Education and Social Sciences acts as a supervisor.

(4) The studies are taken into account on the basis of an opinion of the first supervisor.

(5) The doctoral student must be enrolled during the graduation exam (§7) and for the completion of non-graded pieces of work at the University of Münster.

§ 6 Course achievement
(1) The PhD student will be supported by an individual group of supervisors of at least two
but not more than three members. The members of the Supervision Group must be part of the group of university teachers, be qualified as a professor or show proof of a comparable scientific qualification. At least one supervisor should be from among the members of the group of the university teachers. The supervision is normally ensured by a group of supervisors. In detail the group consists at least of
1. a first supervisor, who in general full-time represents the subject at the University of Münster; in case of the change to another university after the beginning of the doctoral studies he or she could finish the supervision in the framework of these PhD regulations.
2. a second supervisor, who may represent another subject or belong to another another faculty or university. The second supervisor can be named later but not after the second year of study.

(2) The PhD student could make proposals concerning the membership of the Supervision Group. An obligation to take over the supervision does not exist.

(3) The Supervision Group create an individual structured study plan that is oriented towards the strengths and development needs of the student. The supervisors give advice and scientific support based on the continuous review and evaluation of the study progress.

(4) On admission to the Graduate Program each doctoral candidate enters into a supervision agreement with his or her Supervision Group in which:
1. the plans and objectives of the PhD student,
2. the further qualifications the student should get (annex A),
3. the individual study program (annex A),
4. the plan of work and the time schedule,
5. the tasks and duties of the supervisors
are laid down. If the process of work requires changes to the original plan the supervision agreement should be modified. This Agreement may be terminated one-sides if a meaningful continuation does not seem to be possible. Before that an intermediary should be consulted (e.g. the Chairman of the PhD Committee).

(5) The PhD Committee may – if both sides acts serious contrary to the regulations – terminate the agreement and the procedure.

(6) Further details about structure and content of the PhD studies are regulated for individual doctorate in individual case and for graduate schools in own regulations.

§ 7 Admission to the doctoral examination
(1) The doctoral candidate submits an application to the responsible Examination Office in either in German or English. The application must name the topic of the dissertation, the supervisor and the examination subject.

(2) The following documents should be submitted together with the application:
1. a curriculum vitae
2. a proof of the courses and studies completed in the framework of the doctoral studies (§5, annex A)
3. if appropriate a proof about the outstanding language skills
4. the dissertation in two printed samples in case of a publication based dissertation
   a. all parts of dissertation in two printed samples
   b. confirmation from the Supervision Group, that all parts of dissertation are published or suitable for publishing
   c. in case of co-authorship a demarcation of the equity ratio
5. a common type of data media carrier with the dissertation in a common data format and a written statement from the applicant, which declares his consent
• with a comparison of the dissertation with other texts to find accordances
• with the storage in a data bank
6. if appropriate a list of other academic publications
7. a written statement that the dissertation has been composed by the doctoral
   student independently and no source materials or aids other than those mentioned
   have been used and that he has not presented the dissertation as an examination
   paper elsewhere.

(3) The admission is to be refused if the prerequisites stated in paragraph 1 and 2 are not
met.

(4) In case of a negative decision an appeal may be lodged. The PhD Committee has to
decide about in consultation with the Supervision Group. The decision must be justified
and made known to the applicant. The Committee is obliged to issue instructions about
the right of appeal together with their decision. After rectification of the deficiencies the
doctoral candidate can apply again for admittance to the doctoral examination.

(5) The application for admittance to the doctoral examination may be withdrawn as long as
there is no report. In this case the application is deemed as is has not been filed.

§ 8 Dissertation
(1) The promotion expects the doctoral students to conduct successful, independent and
original research work on their own that provide a contribution to the progress in the
scientific field.

(2) The topic of the doctoral thesis should be out of the field of educational or social
sciences. It is to be elected by the doctoral students in consultation with the
supervisors.

(3) The dissertation consists normally of a written scientific discourse. In cases named in
annex B and under the conditions mentioned there a publication-based dissertation is
permissible if the supervisors agree.

(4) The thesis may not have been the subject of a public or academic examination. In case
of a publication-based dissertation in accordance with paragraph 3 papers with several
authors may be part of the thesis several doctoral students.

(5) The dissertation should be written in either German or English.

§ 9 Assessment of the dissertation
(1) The Chairman of the PhD Committee chooses two experts who examine the submitted
dissertation. Their qualification must meet the requirements pursuant to §6 para. 1. At
least one of them should be a full-time representative of the doctoral subject at the
university of Münster. The first opinion is normally furnished by the first supervisor, the
second one by the second supervisor. If there is no second supervisor named until the
second year of study the Chairman of the PhD Committee determines a second
supervisor. One of the experts could be a university teacher from another university. In
case of interdisciplinary studies (§2 para. 4) the second opinion could be furnished by
a representative of a subject which is not named in §2 para. 4, but a special
justification is necessary.

(2) In special cases a third expert could be consulted. He should represent the doctoral
subject but could be member of another university.

(3) The experts should report to the Examining Office within three months from the date on
which the dissertation has been submitted. The report should be in written form. They
apply for acceptance or rejection stating the reasons for their decision. Additionally
they propose a predicate. The rating is the following:
The Examination Office determine the assessment of the dissertation with one of the notes pursuant to § 9 para. 3. Therefore the arithmetic mean is calculated from the expert’s predicates. After-comma values up to 5 should be rounded off and values higher than 5 should be rounded up. The predicate "summa cum laude" is only given if all experts agree. If one report evaluate the dissertation not as "summa cum laude" the overall grade could not be higher than 1,0 (magna cum laude). The PhD Committee could consult a third expert if the distinction between the predicates exceed more than one grade. The third report will be included into the arithmetic mean.

The experts could require that the doctoral candidate should revise his dissertation before publishing it.

The dissertation and its reports could be viewed by all members of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science for a period of two weeks. Within this display period all examiners may deliver their opinion. Those statements have to be registered within this time and should be submitted no later than two weeks after the end of the period.

The dissertation is rejected if both experts propose the rejection. It is accepted if both experts propose the acceptance and no other examiner has recommend the rejection.

If one of the experts or another examiner propose the rejection of the dissertation, the Chairman of the PhD Committee could get a third expert opinion (para. 2). If the majority of the expert opinions propose the rejection, the dissertation is rejected. In the cases of doubt the PhD Committee decides in consultation with the Supervision Group or the Management Board of the supervising institution (Graduate School...).

If the dissertation is rejected the doctoral student must be informed about the outcome stating the reasons. §7 para. 4 and 5 apply accordingly. With the rejection the doctoral examination is not passed. It is ended at this point.

The doctoral student could submit a revised version of the thesis within two years of receipt of the notification that the dissertation was not passed. If he or she misses the deadline or if the dissertation is again rejected, the doctoral examination is finally failed. It is not possible to retry it again, not even with a dissertation on a different subject.

The graduate will get back the original copies of the dissertation after the oral examination.

§ 10 Disputation

The admission to the disputation presupposes an acceptance of the dissertation.

The oral examination consists of a public expert talk (disputation) of 90 minutes. Normally it takes place at the earliest one month and at the latest six months after ending of the display period (§9 para. 6).

The doctoral candidate arranges a meeting with the examiners for the disputation and registers at the Examination Office. The examination office invites the examiners and the doctoral student to the disputation. The disputation date should be announced university members at least seven days before the disputation. The disputation is open to the public of the Faculty.

The disputation may be performed as a video conference if all requirements of these PhD regulations are met and the doctoral student and the involved examiners confirm in writing that they agree to this kind of examination. The implementation of the
disputation as a video conference has to be communicated in the framework of the
determination of the disputation date. It must be noted in the protocol.
(5) The examination board consists of all Supervisors and all experts who give their opinion
to the dissertation. The first Supervisor is normally the Chairperson of the board. It
should exist a protocol.
(6) At least two examiners must be present. Upon application of the Supervisors and with
consent of the candidate the PhD Committee could nominate more examiners.
(7) The doctoral student presents the thesis of his or her dissertation in a talk. In the
ensuing discussion he or she should prove the ability to discuss the research question
in the framework of comprehensive perspectives of the corresponding subject and the
aptitude to reflect the own research context in an overarching interdisciplinary context.
Subsequent projects and career opportunities may also be discussed.
(8) The questions of the examiners are preferentially taken into account. But in principle
any person attending the meeting has the right to ask questions, if they concern the
subject the doctoral candidate represents.

§ 11 Assessment of the disputation
(1) After the examination the examination board evaluate the disputation. Each member
should mark the disputation with a grade in accordance with §9 para. 3. The grade of
the disputation is the arithmetic mean of the gradings according to sentence 2. The
scale of assessment of §9 para. 3 is valid. After-comma values up to 5 should be
rounded off and values higher than 5 should be rounded up. The predicate "summa cum
laude" is only given if in case of two examiners both agree. In case of three or more
examiners "summa cum laude" is given if there is no more than one dissenting opinion
and this one must not be worse than "magna cum laude".
(2) The examination is not passed if the grade is worse than "rite" (3,0). The
examination is also not passed if the candidate culpably miss the agreed date of the
oral examination or if he or she withdraws from the examination without a valid reason
after the examination has commenced. The reasons which gave rise to the withdrawal or
absence should immediately be communicated in writing. The Chairman of the PhD
Committee decides if the disputation is passed or not. §7 para. 4 and 5 apply
 correspondingly.
(3) The result of the oral examination will be communicated to the candidate immediately
after the disputation.
(4) The First Supervisor hand in the protocol of the examination to the examination office.
(5) If the doctoral candidate has passed the oral examination he or she gets a certificate
that the dissertation is accepted and that the oral examination has been successfully
completed.
(6) If an oral examination is not passed a repetition is only possible one time within 18
month, but not earlier than fourteen days after failing the first examination.
(7) If the doctoral student do not pass the oral examination the doctoral examination is
failed. The Examinations Office will issue the candidate with written notification that
also provides information about the repeatability of the oral examination and the
deadline. It must be accompanied by information about the candidate’s statutory
rights. An appeal may be lodged against the decision. The PhD Committee will decide
about the objections. The official objection should include the reasons for it and
instructions on the right of appeal. If the doctoral student miss the deadline, renounces
of repetition or does not pass again the promotion is failed.
§ 12 The dissertation’s final mark
(1) The single results of the dissertation and of the oral examination form together the overall grade according to §9 para 3.
(2) The predicate of the dissertation will be weighted twice, the predicate of the oral examination once. After-comma values up to 5 should be rounded off and values higher than 5 should be rounded up.
(3) The predicate "summa cum laude" is only given, if both single results are graduated with "summa cum laude".

§ 13 Fulfillment of the promotion
(1) By passing the doctoral examination the promotion is completed. The examination office should issue an evidence of having successfully attended promotion studies. It should name the thesis, the grade of the dissertation according to §9, the grade of the disputation according to §11 and the final mark according to §12. Through this evidence the candidate commits to preserve this doctoral degree from all taint and to research for the scientific truth with the best knowledge and belief.
(2) If the dissertations is not published yet, the evidence does not entitle to use the title of doctor.
(3) If the dissertations is published in accordance to §14, the doctoral candidate will get the PhD certificate according to §15. He or she is authorized to use the title of doctor.

§ 14 Publication of the dissertation
(1) A monographic dissertation can not be published until the first expert has declared it as ready for printing and all conditions are fulfilled.
(2) A publication-based dissertation (§8 para. 3 and Annex B) can be published in two parts and this can be done already during the PhD phase. The publication is finished if the group of Supervisors confirms that all parts are published with previous approval of the Supervisors.
(3) At request of the doctoral student the Chairman of the PhD Committee could allow that the dissertation is published in another language as mentioned in §8 para. 5.
(4) The publication of the dissertation should normally be finished within two years after passing the examination.
(5) If a monographic dissertation is printed, there must be a minimum circulation of 100 copies and it should be available through the book trade. At the backside of the title leaf it should be accounted as a dissertation and name the place of dissertation. The doctoral candidate must hand in five deposit copies. If the dissertation is duplicated in any other way he or she must hand in 100 deposit copies.
(6) Publications in electronic form as "book on demand" (BOD) or as a microfiche have to be in accordance with the version proved by the First Supervisor. Data format, data carriers and rights of use need to be coordinated with the University and State Library. A written confirmation of the University and State Library about delivery of the work in one of the named forms of publication is necessary. If the publication is in electronic form or as a microfiche the doctoral student has to hand in five bound computer printouts, if the publication is as "book on demand" five book copies are needed.
(7) In case of a publication-based dissertation (§8 para. 3 and Annex B) five deposit copies have to be handed in at the University and State Library. They should include the published texts with the framework text according to Annex B and an approval of the Supervisor.
§ 15 PhD certificate

(1) If the requirements of §14 are met the doctoral student has fulfilled the doctoral accomplishments. He or she will get a PhD certificate in German language. Upon application it can be given in English. The certificate contain the thesis, the predicate of the dissertation and the final mark. The certificate will bear the date on which the oral examination took place. It is signed by the Chairman of the PhD Committee and the dean of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science.

(2) When the PhD certificate is issued the doctoral process is completed and the doctoral student is entitled to use the title of doctor.

(3) Upon application the candidate could inspect the expert opinion on his or her dissertation and the protocol of the disputation after the PhD certificate is issued. The application should be made within three months after handing over the certificate at the examination office. The examination determines place and time of the inspection.

§ 16 Invalidity of the doctoral work

(1) All measures related to the denial of the doctoral accomplishments need a separate decision of the PhD Committee.

(2) If it becomes apparent before the PhD certificate is issued that the applicant has cheated in the course of his or her doctoral studies or that essential criteria for the award of the PhD have wrongly been assumed to exist the award of the PhD may be declared invalid by the PhD Committee.

(3) If this fact becomes known after the PhD certificate was issued, the PhD Committee may declare the doctoral examination subsequently as not passed. The certificate will be confiscated.

(4) If the criteria for admission to an examination were not satisfied without the candidate intending to cheat this shortcoming is remedied by passing the examination. This must be confirmed by the PhD Committee.

(5) The PhD Committee may withdraw the doctoral degree, if the graduated PhD student has been convicted of intentionally committing a crime and if he or she misused the doctoral degree in its preparation or execution.

(6) Before the resolution is taken the doctoral candidate must be granted the opportunity to give a position statement. §7 para. 4 and 5 apply accordingly.

(7) The same applies to the honorary doctorate in accordance to §17.

§ 17 Honorary graduation

(1) In recognition of outstanding scientific achievements or extraordinary merits the faculty can award the degree of a "doctor honoris causa" (Dr. h. c.), an honorary doctor.

(2) The procedure of the honorary doctorate is initiated with a written application. The application has to be made by at least two examiners and should include detailed appreciation of the person within the meaning of paragraph 1.

(3) The honorary graduation requires a unanimous decision of all university teachers of the PhD Committee.

(4) The resolution of the PhD Committee about the granting of an honorary doctorate requires the approval of the university teachers of the Faculty of Educational and Social Science. For the resolution a majority representing at least two-thirds of all university teachers is needed. The Dean's Office may determine that the vote will be conducted in writing.

(5) The honorary graduation is accomplished by the presentation of the certificate by the dean of the Faculty.
§ 18 PhD examination procedure in interaction with other disciplines or partner universities
(1) The Faculty of Educational and Social Science could grant the degree of a doctor philosophiae (Dr. phil.) in cooperation with other Faculties of the University of Münster or with a partner university. The Faculty of Educational and Social Science could be involved in the awarding of an appropriate academic degree at a partner university. A written agreement with the relevant Faculty is necessary. Both Faculties must commit to enable an appropriate promotion.

§ 19 Transitional arrangements and entry into force
(1) These PhD regulations shall come into effect on the day after publication in the "Official Announcements of the University of Münster". It shall apply for all applicants who apply for admission to the doctoral program after entry into force of this regulations.
(2) Upon written application a candidate who applies for admission to the doctoral program before entry into force of this regulations may graduate under the conditions of these PhD regulations.
Annex A

Specialist language abilities for admission to the Doctoral Program, subject-specific work as part of the doctoral course of study for admission to the Doctoral Program, planned schedule of studies

For the individual subjects all study requirements (in particular all language skills that are to be proved according to §7 para. 2) and the accompanying scientific study program are listed in the following. In principle all information is valid for all promotions, unless graduate schools or other institutions agreed on different arrangements. Language qualifications can be gained during the doctoral studies. Functional language skills will be proved with three years school lessons in that language or with equivalent knowledge.

I Graduate Schools or similar organizations

In the following graduate schools the language requirements and/or the academic supplementary program are regulated in supplementary regulations:

1. Graduate School of Politics (GraSP)
2. Graduate School of Communication Science (GSCS)
3. Graduate School of Sociology (GRASS)
4. Graduate School of Educational Science (GSER)

II Specialist language abilities for admission to the Doctoral Program and subject-specific work of the accompanying scientific study program

1. Educational Science
   [...]  
2. Communication Science
   [...]  
3. Political Science
   1. Language Skills
   The admission to the doctoral studies requires functional German and English language skills.
   2. Accompanying study program
   The doctoral candidate enters into a binding supervision agreement with the supervisors of the doctoral project. In this agreement all duties and an accompanying study program are laid down.
   a. duties
   Required is the regular individual mentoring offered by the Supervision Group at least one time in a semester to present the reached work progress and to discuss the following steps. A short protocol of the meeting signed by all those present is needed.
   b. electoral duties
      - visits to expert conferences with own lectures or poster presentation
      - organization of scientific seminars
      - organization of and/or participation in colloquia
      - activities in a research group
      - studies abroad and field research
      - publication of essays in professional journals
      - own lectures at university
- participation in summer schools, e.g. ECPR
- participation in events of the promotion program at university
- participation in pre-vocational qualification measures

The extent of the electoral duties should be regulated individually in the supervision agreement.

4. Social Science
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Annex B: subjects or institutions in which publication-based dissertations are allowed

1. Political Science

In case of a publication-based dissertation the following requirements must be met:

1. It should consist of several scientific work already published or at least accepted for publication. Together they should be equivalent to a dissertation according to §8 para. 1.

2. Publications as a part of a publication-based dissertation must be thematically related to each other and be submitted in bound form together with a summary of at least 9000 words in which the theoretical and methodological foundations and the essential conclusions with their importance to the subject are presented.

3. For publication-based dissertation at least six publications (journal or book articles) are necessary. At least two of them should be published in respected scientific journals with a double blind peer review and at least one of them must be an international publication (neither be published in Germany nor in German).

4. The period between the release of the latest and the date of publication of the oldest publication may not exceed six years.

5. The evaluation of a publication based dissertation may not be made by co-authors.