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# REGULATIONS ON DOCTORAL STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB (consolidated text)

General provisions

## Article 1

(1) Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb (hereinafter: Regulations) regulate the setting up and implementation of postgraduate doctoral study programmes at the University of Zagreb (hereinafter: University), the institution responsible for the study, forms and duration of the study, enrolment requirements, manner of implementation of study, teaching and research, procedure for proposing, evaluating and defending the

- doctoral dissertation, rights and obligations of the doctoral candidate in doctoral programmes (hereafter: doctoral candidate), rights and obligations of the mentor, methods of quality measurement, as well as other questions related to the setting up and implementation of doctoral studies.
- (2) The Regulations set down the minimum conditions for the activities listed in Paragraph 1 of this Article, and individual institutions responsible for the studies can set down more rigorous conditions in their regulatory documents.

#### **Article 2**

The meaning of specific terms in the context of these Regulations:

- (1) Doctoral study is a postgraduate scientific University study.
- (2) Doctoral study council, at the level of a constituent part of the University, can be the Expert council of the constituent part, Doctoral study council or another body in charge of the doctoral study programme. At the University level, the Doctoral study council can be the Council of scientific/artistic area, the Senate, Doctoral study council or another body in charge of the doctoral study. The composition of the Doctoral study council is determined by the institution responsible for the study.
- (3) Competent body is the Expert council of the constituent part, that is, the Council of scientific/artistic area or the University Senate, which, based on the recommendation by the Doctoral study council if it is a different body, appoints the Committee for doctoral study draft (synopsis, topic; hereinafter: doctoral study draft) evaluation and mentor appointment proposal, the Dissertation evaluation committee, and the Dissertation defence committee.
- (4) Institution responsible for the study is one constituent part or one university, while studies can be implemented by several constituent parts or several universities. The institution responsible for the study is responsible for setting up doctoral study which it implements together with other institutions, and concludes the procedure of earning a Ph.D. degree or a Doctor of Arts degree.
- (5) Adviser is a staff member with a research-and-teaching rank, art-and-teaching rank, or research rank at the institution that takes part in the implementation of the study programme. When enrolling in the doctoral programme, the Doctoral study council can assign the doctoral candidate an adviser, who advises the doctoral candidate, monitors his or her work and progress over the entire course of study or until a mentor is appointed.
- (6) Mentor is a holder of research-and-teaching rank, art-and-teaching rank, or research rank who directs the doctoral candidate in his or her work on the dissertation (mentoring provisions also apply in the case of double mentoring, see Article 9, Paragraph 9).
- (7) Institution responsible for the study is responsible for gathering and filing student data (e.g. in a portfolio).
- (8) When calculating deadlines in these Regulations, non-working days according to academic calendar are not included.

#### **Article 3**

- (1) Doctoral studies are founded by constituent parts and/or the university/ies in one or several scientific/artistic areas or fields.
- (2) Doctoral studies can be founded and implemented only in those scientific or artistic areas in which the institution responsible for the study is internationally recognised for its scientific (scholarly) or artistic research, or for artistic creativity.
- (3) Doctoral study programmes or doctoral schools are run by the Doctoral study council or the Doctoral school council (hereafter: Doctoral study council).
- (4) Basic characteristics of doctoral studies and doctoral schools at the University are research and learning through research, internationalisation, transparency, international quality standards and international competitiveness.
- (5) In order to ensure quality and stimulate mobility of doctoral candidates and teachers, doctoral studies and doctoral schools are open to all forms of collaboration with similar institutions at home and abroad.

## Goals of doctoral study programmes

#### Article 4

- (1) The goals of a University doctoral study programme are:
  - 1. generation of new and relevant knowledge, insights and artistic practices, as well as the application thereof;
  - 2. education of researchers and experts in a chosen scientific or artistic area;
  - enabling doctoral candidates to pursue an independent, research-based and interdisciplinary approach to problems, to conduct research independently, and to critically evaluate the work of others;
  - 4. acquisition of knowledge, experience and skills which must enable PhDs to approach the solving of complex social and economic problems in a creative and research-based manner;
  - 5. internationalisation of research at the University.

## **Doctoral study components**

- (1) The central component of a University doctoral study programme is scientific or artistic research and creativity.
- (2) The mandatory formats of work in a doctoral study programme are research seminars, workshops and discussion groups, designed for the purpose of developing research work, critical thinking, acquisition of methodology and acquisition of generic skills.
- (3) Instruction in the format of lectures cannot exceed 30 per cent of the overall load predicted by a study programme (which includes writing of the doctoral dissertation). Programme load is measured in accordance with the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) or is estimated in some other way.

- (4) In line with the capacities and in accordance with the conditions set down beforehand, classes at the doctoral study are open to all doctoral candidates of the University of Zagreb. Parts of research and classes at doctoral studies can be made partly open to doctoral candidates from other universities, with pre-established conditions and signed agreements.
- (5) In order to achieve interdisciplinarity, doctoral candidates can, with the mentor's explanation and consent, and with the approval of the Doctoral study council, enrol in some of the classes or conduct some of their research and artistic work either at the University or at other institutions.
- (6) Doctoral study council can assign differential courses to doctoral candidates, in order for them to acquire background knowledge necessary for attending and completing the study programme.

# Forms of doctoral study

#### Article 6

- (1) Doctoral studies can take the following forms:
  - 1. Doctoral study in which the institution responsible for the study is one constituent part or the University;
  - Dual doctorate, where the doctoral candidate receives two diplomas, and where dual mentorship is required in the form of international and interinstitutional co-mentorship (cotutelle de thèse);
  - 3. Collaborative study programme which is implemented by two or more universities, with only one university being the institution responsible for the study;
  - 4. The model whereby the doctoral candidate enrols in the doctoral study programme at one university and receives the diploma from the institution responsible for the study, but conducts research in several universities and can have several mentors (so-called sandwich model);
  - 5. Joint study programme by two or more universities, at least one of which is outside of the Republic of Croatia. Study programme must be accredited at each of the universities; each university takes part in the enrolment of doctoral candidates, and the doctoral candidate can receive a single diploma by two or more universities, or a diploma of the university where he or she enrolled in the doctoral study programme which states that the study programme is a joint one.

## Setting up doctoral schools

#### **Article 7**

(1) Several doctoral studies within one or several scientific and/or artistic areas can be joined into a doctoral school. Doctoral schools are instituted for purposes of increasing research and teaching capacities, harmonisation of criteria, stimulation of interdisciplinarity and higher economic efficiency.

- (2) Doctoral schools can be founded only in scientific or artistic areas in which the institution responsible for the study is internationally recognised in scientific or artistic research, or artistic creativity.
- (3) The Senate decides on proposals for establishing cooperation at the doctoral school level, on the request of the institution responsible for the study.

# Study enrolment prerequisites and duration of study

- (1) Enrolment prerequisites are defined by the Doctoral study council in accordance with the existing regulations.
- (2) Public call for admission to the doctoral study is published at least one month before the beginning of classes, and criteria for evaluating the applicants includes graduate study grades, interest shown in scientific or artistic research, publications, references by teachers and potential mentors, and a research topic proposal. Interview with the applicant is an obligatory part of the enrolment procedure. At the time of enrolment, all the necessary conditions for completion of study in the allotted period need to be clearly defined.
- (3) Enrolment quotas are determined on the basis of availability of research, teaching and mentorship capacities.
- (4) The names of the accepted applicants and their qualifications are publicised on the study programme web page.
- (5) Student has the right to finish the study under the conditions in which he or she enrolled it within the period of eight years. Before the expiration of the eight-year deadline, students may apply for continuation of the study. The Doctoral study council of the institution responsible for the study determines the conditions for continuation of the study based on the submitted application. The specified eight-year period does not include justified dormancy periods (during pregnancy, maternity, parental and adoption leave, longer illness, other justified and duly reasoned cases).
- (6) If the Doctoral study council assesses the doctoral candidate's quality of work as unsatisfactory in its annual evaluation procedures, the Council can determine on the forfeiture of the candidate's right to continue his or her studies.
- (7) At the time of enrolment, the Doctoral study council can appoint an adviser for the doctoral candidate, who advises the doctoral candidate over the course of study, monitors the doctoral candidate's work and achievement, and cooperates with the doctoral candidate in making the workflow plan (which is filed by the institution responsible for the study, e.g. to doctoral candidate's portfolio).

# Mentorship

#### Article 9

- (1) A person can be appointed mentor if he or she:
  - holds at least the research-and-teaching rank or art-and-teaching rank of assistant professor
    or the rank of research associate, or an equivalent rank if the potential mentor earned an
    academic rank abroad;
  - 2. is an active researcher or artist in the sphere of research that the dissertation belongs to, or is the head or a member of a research project;
  - is active in science or the arts, relevant in the international scientific or artistic community, and has published scientific papers or presented artistic work related to the topic of the doctoral research and
  - 4. has published scientific papers or presented artistic work in the last five years
- (2) Mentor can also be *professor emeritus*, i.e. a full member of HAZU (Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts);
- (3) The decision on the appointment of a mentor shall be made by the competent authority (e.g. Council of the institution responsible for the study or, in cases where the University is responsible for the study, the Council of the scientific/artistic area).
- (4) The Doctoral study council determines the number of doctoral candidates a mentor can supervise at the same time.
- (5) Before assuming one's first mentorship, it is recommended to take a mentorship workshop organised by the University or by recognised international schools.
- (6) Mentor who is not a University employee or an employee of a constituent part of the University, shall sign the cooperation and responsibility agreement with the head of the institution responsible for the study.
- (7) A teacher of a constituent part of the University may serve as a mentor at another university, if granted permission by the constituent part or the University.
- (8) Mentor who assumed mentorship before retirement can serve as mentor until the doctoral candidate's completion of study, with consent by the Doctoral study council.
- (9) To assure the quality of the doctoral dissertation, dual mentorship shall be allowed when there is a need for it (e.g., interdisciplinarity of research, conduct of research or artistic work at several institutions).

#### Mentor's duties

- (1) Mentor is required to guide the doctoral candidate over the course of the work on the dissertation, monitor the quality of his or her work, encourage him or her to publish, and enable him or her to participate in research and artistic projects.
- (2) If there are several mentors, each takes the responsibility for a predetermined part of research and procedure of working on the dissertation.

(3) The mentor shall regularly submit reports on the work of the doctoral candidate to the Doctoral study council by using the University form, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the University or its constituent parts.

# Duties and rights of the doctoral candidate

#### Article 11

- (1) Doctoral candidate is required to submit annual reports on his or her work (possibly including a research presentation) to the Doctoral study council. The report is submitted using the University form.
- (2) Doctoral candidate has the right to change his or her mentor or doctoral research topic, by submitting a written request and a statement by the former mentor, using the University form. The decision is made by the competent body of the institution responsible for the study, based on the recommendation by the Doctoral study council, if it is a different body.
- (3) Prior to dissertation defence, doctoral candidate is required to have at least one scientific paper published or accepted for publication in a highly esteemed Croatian or international scientific journal from the scientific area that is related to the doctoral dissertation or thematically related to the doctoral research (in which he or she is the only or one of the lead authors), or a public presentation of an artistic work in a public space. Each work can serve to qualify only one doctoral candidate, unless a special explanation is provided (e.g. equal co-authorship).

## Status of the doctoral candidate

#### **Article 12**

- (1) Doctoral candidate enrolled in a university doctoral study programme can be:
  - 1. a person whose study costs are funded by the science and high education system;
  - 2. recipient of a Croatian or international scholarship;
  - 3. recipient of a Croatian or international trust or foundation scholarship;
  - 4. a person whose study expenses are funded by Croatian or international scientific or artistic research projects;
  - 5. a person whose study costs are funded by the legal person of his or her employer;
  - 6. a person who pays for the study costs by himself/herself.
- (2) When enrolling in a doctoral study, doctoral candidate agrees on study funding conditions (research funding conditions are established when determining the mentor and doctoral dissertation draft (topic, synopsis)).
- (3) It is possible to change funding source during the course of the study.

#### **Doctoral dissertation**

#### Article 13

(1) The dissertation is a research or artistic work, subject to public scientific or artistic evaluation.

(2) Restriction of public access to a dissertation is possible only in an exceptional case, regulated by Article 19 of these Regulations.

#### Article 14

#### The forms of dissertation are:

- (1) Scientific monograph.
- (2) A collection of published scientific articles accompanied by a critical overview chapter, consisting of an introduction, discussion, conclusion and a comprehensive survey of relevant literature (so-called Scandinavian model). The critical overview needs to place the results of the dissertation in the context of existing scientific insight. This form of dissertation is allowed only within the context of the research conducted in the doctoral study, and the scientific articles included must be published after the enrolment in the doctoral study. Collected scientific articles proposed as a dissertation must make up a rounded whole composed of at least three articles in journals cited in the Web of Science, Scopus or ERIH databases, at least one of which is in a journal with an impact factor higher than the median impact factor of the journals from the area of doctoral research. Each article can serve to qualify only one doctoral candidate, unless a special explanation is provided. The doctoral candidate needs to be the lead author in at least two of the articles. Collected works need to present a new scientific contribution relative to the individual articles. Such dissertation, including the published articles, undergoes the same evaluation and grading procedure as the other forms of dissertations.
- (3) Dissertation in an artistic area is an original and innovative artistic research in the context of contemporary artistic creativity, and it is completed by a presentation of the artistic work and the accompanying theoretical work, or with the artist's book.

# Article 15

- (1) Dissertation can be written in Croatian language or in another language.
- (2) Title, abstract and keywords of the dissertation must be written, in addition to the original, in Croatian and English languages. The abstract should enable understanding of the dissertation objectives, methods of research, results and conclusions.
- (3) Graphic layout of the dissertation is regulated by the University.

# Procedures for submission, evaluation and approval of doctoral research draft and mentor proposal

## Article 16

(1) During the doctoral study, at the earliest in the first and at the latest by the end of the fifth semester, the mentor and doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic) are determined (this and other provisions also apply to dual mentorship).

- (2) When determining the mentor and doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic), working conditions are also established, especially research funding conditions.
- (4) Doctoral candidate initiates the procedure of doctoral dissertation draft approval by submitting a request, which contains general information on the doctoral candidate, curriculum vitae, bibliography, title of the proposed topic, information on the proposed mentor and his competences, explanation of the doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic) and the anticipated original scientific contribution of the proposed research, research cost estimate, and a statement that the doctoral candidate has not submitted a dissertation proposal with an identical topic at another University study programme, or at another university. The request for approval of proposed doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic) is submitted on the University form.
- (5) Competent body appoints a Committee for doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic) evaluation and mentor appointment proposal based on the recommendation by the Doctoral study council, if it is a different body. The Committee includes three or five members, with at least one member who is neither a teacher at the doctoral study nor an employee of the constituent part that is the institution responsible for the study. The proposed mentor cannot be the appointed chair of the Committee.
- (6) Submitted doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic) is defended publicly, before the Committee for doctoral dissertation draft evaluation and mentor appointment proposal.
- (7) Committee for doctoral dissertation draft evaluation and mentor appointment proposal evaluates the possibility of original scientific or artistic contribution, assesses the financial and organisational feasibility of the proposed research, and proposes a mentor. The Committee provides its evaluation no later than three months after the submission of the request and appointment.
- (8) Competent body of the institution responsible for the study shall respond to the recommendation of the Committee for doctoral dissertation draft evaluation and mentor appointment proposal at its next session.
- (9) Council of the scientific/artistic area recommends the doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic) and mentor for adoption to the University Senate. The Senate confirms doctoral dissertation draft and mentor at its next session.
- (10)All scientific and artistic research on or with human beings and animals shall be carried out in accordance with regulations, with the consent of the Ethics Committee of the constituent part or the University, as well as the consent of the institution where the research is conducted, consent of all the research subjects individually, if they are able to give it, or of their plenipotentiaries or legal representatives.

# Doctoral dissertation evaluation procedure

#### **Article 17**

(1) Doctoral dissertation, together with the mentor's written consent and assessment of the conducted research and achievement of the original scientific contribution, is submitted by the doctoral candidate to the Registry Office of the constituent part or the University. If the mentor withholds consent, he or she must provide a written explanation of reasons for doing so within

- 15 days after receiving the notice. In both cases, the mentor's explanation, together with forms DR.SC.04 and DR.SC.05 when necessary, are sent to the members of the Dissertation evaluation committee, who take it into consideration during their evaluation.
- (2) Before the initiation of the dissertation evaluation procedure, it is necessary to determine whether the doctoral candidate has fulfilled all the obligations required by the study programme.
- (3) For evaluation of the dissertation, the doctoral candidate needs to submit the work both in printed and electronic forms. In the case of artistic doctoral work, the doctoral candidate must submit, in addition to the public presentation of the work, a theoretical part, as well as the documents needed for dissertation evaluation.
- (4) Competent body appoints the Dissertation evaluation committee based on the recommendation by the Doctoral study council, if it is a different body. The Committee includes three or five members, with at least one member who is neither a teacher at the doctoral study programme nor an employee of the constituent part that is the institution responsible for the study, and if possible, who is an employee of another Croatian or foreign university or similar institution. The mentor cannot be the chairperson of the Dissertation evaluation committee. Councils of scientific/artistic area can adopt additional rules about mentor's participation in the Committee.
- (5) Members of the Dissertation evaluation committee must have at least the research-and-teaching rank or art-and-teaching rank of assistant professor or the rank of research associate, or an equivalent rank if the Committee member earned his or her rank abroad.
- (6) Simultaneous with the appointment of the Dissertation evaluation committee, the University publicises the title and abstract of the dissertation in Croatian and English languages on the University web pages.
- (7) Members of the Dissertation evaluation committee shall treat the data and insights from the dissertation with confidentiality until the publication of the dissertation evaluation, for the protection of the scientific contribution of the dissertation and intellectual property.
- (8) Dissertation evaluation committee is required to present a written report including a dissertation evaluation within three months after its appointment and receipt of the dissertation. The chairperson of the Committee prepares a report based on collected written opinions of the members of the Committee, and the report is signed by all the members. Each member of the Committee has the right to present a separate evaluation.
- (9) Dissertation evaluation committee presents a report recommending:
  - 1. acceptance of the dissertation with an explicit statement on achievement of original scientific or artistic contribution, or
  - 2. revision of the dissertation and a final evaluation, or
  - 3. rejection of the dissertation, after which the doctoral candidate loses the right to earn a Doctor of science or Doctor of Arts degree at that study programme.

An explanation is a mandatory part of the report.

- (10)Competent body passes the decision on the dissertation evaluation and appoints the Dissertation defence committee at the earliest forthcoming session.
- (11)After the decision on the dissertation evaluation had been passed, interested members of the professional community are allowed a supervised access to doctoral dissertation.

# Doctoral dissertation defence procedure Article 18

- (1) Doctoral candidate can defend dissertation after the competent body has accepted a positive evaluation of the Dissertation evaluation committee, within two months at the latest.
- (2) Dissertation defence committee has three or five members. The Dissertation defence committee and the Dissertation evaluation committee can be comprised of the same members. Mentor can participate in the dissertation defence procedure in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph 4 of these Regulations.
- (3) Dissertation defence is public. An announcement of the public defence must be published at least 8 days before the defence. The defence is held on the premises determined by competent bodies of the University or its constituent parts, in the language in which the dissertation is written, unless the Committee agrees otherwise with the doctoral candidate. In the case of joint or dual doctorates, the defence can be held at another university. The defence procedure is regulated by a protocol.
- (4) Dissertation defence committee decides on the evaluation after the defence. The defence evaluation can be *rite*, *cum laude*, *magna cum laude* and *summa cum laude*. The evaluation is passed by a majority vote of the members of the Dissertation defence committee.
- (5) Minutes of the defence procedure in the Croatian language shall be drawn up, and if the defence is conducted in another language, the minutes shall also be drawn up in that language.
- (6) Final defence of the doctoral dissertation is held only once.

- (1) If the dissertation research results include an innovation suitable for protection by intellectual property rights, a doctoral candidate and mentor can notify the Technology Transfer Office at the University regarding that. In that case, before submitting the doctoral dissertation, the doctoral candidate can, with mentor's consent, request that the submitted doctoral dissertation is treated with confidentiality until the public defence.
- (2) Technology Transfer Office conducts the procedure of legal protection and commercialisation of research results, in accordance with the Regulation Act of the Technology Transfer Office. In that case, public defence can be postponed with the doctoral candidate's consent, up to a maximum duration of one year following the submission of the dissertation for evaluation. An acknowledgment note from the Technology Transfer Office needs to be attached to the request for postponement of the public defence.
- (3) Doctoral candidate acquires copyright by virtue of creating doctoral dissertation.

# Publishing and storage of doctoral dissertation Article 20

- (1) Doctoral dissertation is permanently published in a public doctoral dissertation Internet database of the National and University Library, if the author has agreed to it in written form. Doctoral dissertation in the artistic area is published in the appropriate way, in accordance with the author's consent in written form.
- (2) Doctoral dissertation in written form is stored in the National and University Library and in the University Archives, no later than one month following the dissertation defence.
- (3) Doctoral work in the artistic area is stored fittingly, in a manner appropriate to the work (in a written form, as a photograph, video record or audio record, or in another manner) at the National and University Library and the University Archives, no later than a month following the defence.

# **Promotion**Article 21

- (1) Doctoral candidate earns the rights pertaining to the Doctor of Science or Doctor of Arts degree regulated by the Labour Act on the day of the successful defence of the dissertation, while the full rights of the academic title and the diploma are acquired by taking a pledge at the promotion and by entry in the book of Doctors of Science and Doctors of Arts.
- (2) Doctoral candidate must fill the University form for promotion into a Doctor of Science or Doctor of Arts and submit a bound doctoral dissertation within one month following the defence, and, if he or she consents to it in written form, an electronic version for publication on National and University Library web site, or the appropriate documentation on the work in the artistic area (in a written form, as a photograph, video record or audio record, or in another manner).
- (3) Doctoral diploma is handed to the doctoral candidate by the Rector at a promotion ceremony, at which the doctoral candidate can attend in person or have a legal proxy who must have a doctoral degree of Doctor of Science or Doctor of Arts.

# Modalities of doctoral study quality assurance Article 22

(1) Doctoral study council shall keep detailed records on the research work and other fulfilled study obligations of each doctoral candidate, including the workflow plan (e.g. creating the doctoral candidate portfolio). The Doctoral study council is required to consider the work load and performance of mentors, as well as to keep record on the number of doctoral candidates currently enrolled and the number of those who have defended their dissertations for each mentor.

- (2) Doctoral study council performs regular self-evaluations based on the reports from mentors and doctoral candidates, and presents reports on its work to the competent council of the constituent part and the University, using the University form.
- (3) Annual self-evaluation reports are attached to the re-accreditation request.
- (4) The criteria for evaluation of doctoral study includes: scientific or artistic production of teachers and doctoral candidates, teaching, relevance and quality of doctoral dissertations, statistical data on duration of study, statistical data on the annual number of new Doctors of Science relative to the number of doctoral candidates, achieved international cooperation and employability of Doctors of Science.

# Revocation of the doctoral degree Article 22.a

- (1) If the Doctor of Science academic degree had been acquired contrary to the prescribed conditions for its acquisition, in cases of plagiarism or research procedures which are in violation of ethical principles, the awarded academic degree can be revoked from someone (hereinafter: respondent) in a procedure that is analogue to the procedure of awarding the academic degree.
- (2) A person who believes that the Doctor of Science academic degree has been acquired contrary to the prescribed conditions or ethical principles or that there is a case of plagiarism submits a written complaint to the Doctoral dissertation council. The Council forwards the complaint to the institution responsible for the study.
- (3) Competent body of the institution responsible for the study appoints a committee which submits a report regarding the complaint. Competent body shall decide on the report at a session in which both the notifier and respondent can participate.
- (4) The decision of the competent body of the institution responsible for the study is sent to the competent bodies of the University for approval.

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS (Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb (Class: 602 -04/09 -01/30; Reg. No.: 380 -02/5 -10 -3, in force since 30 April 2010)).

- (1) These Regulations shall come into effect on the eight day following the date of their publication on the bulletin board and the web pages of the University.
- (2) These Regulations are supplemented by specific forms, and the Regulations mandate their usage.
- (3) For doctoral studies that had received accreditation before these Regulations came into effect, the legal rules that had been in effect at the time of accreditation still apply, until the expiration of accreditation or completion of the re-accreditation procedure at the latest.

- (4) The provisions of these Regulations apply in their entirety to the doctoral studies for which the initial accreditation procedure will start after the Regulations come into effect.
- (5) Article 9, Paragraph 3 of these Regulations will come into effect after the establishment of mentorship workshops at the University.
- (6) Constituent parts of the University adopt regulations and other rules on doctoral studies which cannot be in opposition to these Regulations.
- (7) The constituent parts shall bring into accord regulations and other rules from Paragraph 6 of this Article with these Regulations within six months of their coming into effect.

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS (Regulations on Amendments to the Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb (Class: 641-01/16-02/12; Reg. No.: 380-020/173-16-6, in force since 23 June 2016)).

- (1) Regulations on Amendments to the Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb shall come into effect on the eight day following the date of their publication on the bulletin board and the web pages of the University.
- (2) For doctoral studies that had received accreditation before these Regulations came into effect, the legal rules that had been in effect at the time of accreditation still apply it the institution responsible for the study considers it more favourable, until the expiration of accreditation or completion of the re-accreditation procedure at the latest.
- (3) Existing forms shall remain in use, except in the part that is not in accord with the provisions of the Regulations on Amendments to the Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb.
- (4) The constituent parts shall bring into accord their regulations and other rules with Regulations on Amendments to the Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb within six months of their coming into effect.
- (5) Professional services of the Rectorate are authorised to draft the consolidated text of Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Zagreb upon its entry into force.