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Doctoral Degree Board	No regulations governing composition (§ 5)	4 - 6 professors full-time 1 academic staff member holding a doctoral degree 1 doctoral candidate / student (§ 2 para. 2)	4 - 7 professors full-time 1 academic staff member holding a doctoral degree 1 doctoral candidate in an advisory capacity (§ 4)
Admission requirements	university degree completed with a grade of at least "good" ; in individual cases, academic training of an equivalent academic level (decision by the Doctoral Degree Board); for graduates of universities of applied sciences: aptitude determined by professors (§ 6)	university degree completed with a grade of at least "good"; for grades lower than "good", reviewer report, supervisor + decision by the Doctoral Degree Board (§ 3)	university degree completed with the grade "good". For grades lower than "good", 2 reviewer reports + decision by the Doctoral Degree Board. Bachelor's degree with a grade of at least 1.5 + structured doctoral degree programme + 2 reviewer reports (§ 5)
Supervisor	full-time HU professor/assistant professor in the chosen doctoral subject (§ 6 para. 5)	normally professors/assistant professors of the Faculty, in the context of structured doctoral degree programmes also managing directors, junior research group leaders and researchers non-university research institutions with confirmation from the the Faculty Board (§ 6)	normally professors/assistant professors of the Faculty, in the context of structured doctoral degree programmes also managing directors, junior research group leaders and researchers non-university research institutions with confirmation from the Faculty Board (§ 8)
Academic title	Dr. phil (§ 1)	Dr. phil.; in structured degree programmes Ph.D.; Dr. Europaeus (§ 1)	Dr. phil.; in structured degree programmes Ph.D.; additional title of Doctor Europaeus for graduates of the European PhD in Socio-Economic and Statistical Studies (Sess.EuroPhD) (§ 1)
Thesis deadline	5 + 3 years (§ 8)	3 + 1 + 1 + 1 years (§ 5)	4 + 2 years (§ 7)
Supervision by retired professors / faculty members	no regulations	ongoing doctoral theses may be completed (§ 6 para. 6)	ongoing doctoral theses may be completed (§ 8 para. 5)
Doctoral Degree Committee	at least 3 professors or at least 2 professor and 1 assistant professor (full-time); reviewers may be members ; Chair: professor of the Faculty representing the chosen subject (§ 12)	at least 3 professors/assistant professors (full-time and predominantly from the Faculty), 1 scientific staff member holding a doctoral degree, 1 doctoral candidate in an advisory capacity; reviewers are members; Chair: full-time professor/assistant professor of the Faculty (§ 9)	at least 3 professors/assistant professors (full-time and predominantly from the Faculty), 1 scientific staff member holding a doctoral degree, 1 doctoral candidate in an advisory capacity; reviewers are usually members; Chair: full-time professor/assistant professor of the Faculty (§ 11)
Reviewers	usually 3, at least 2 full-time professors/assistant professors, of which 1 is a professor from the dept. and 1 professor is not a Faculty member (§ 13)	at least 2 professors/assistant professors, of which 1 is a first reviewer und 1 full-time professor/assistant professor of the Faculty (§ 11)	at least 2 professors/assistant professors, of which 1 is a first reviewer; at least 1 full-time professor/assistant professors of the Faculty (§ 13)
Reviewer reports submitted	with grades to doctoral candidates (§ 16 para. 1)	without grades to doctoral candidates (§ 11 para. 5)	with grades to doctoral candidates (§ 13 para. 7)

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Summary of the doctoral thesis	yes, written in German an English each no longer than one page (§ 10 para. 5)	not required	yes, written in German an English each no longer than one page (§ 9 Abs. 4)
Language of doctoral thesis	German; other languages upon request (§ 10 para. 4)	German or English; other languages upon request (§ 10 para. 4)	German or English; other languages upon request (§ 9 para. 3)
Assessment of doctoral performance	overall grade based on the individual grades of the doctoral thesis and the thesis defence. The doctoral thesis is weighted twice as heavily. The overall grade "summa cum laude" may only be awarded, if both the doctoral thesis and the thesis defence are awarded with "summa cum laude". (§ 18)	overall grade based on the individual grades of the doctoral thesis and the thesis defence. The doctoral thesis is weighted twice as heavily as the thesis defence. The overall grade "summa cum laude" may only be awarded, if all reviewer reports award the doctoral thesis and the thesis defence with "summa cum laude". (§ 10)	overall grade based on the individual grades of the doctoral thesis and the doctoral defence. The doctoral thesis is weighted more heavily. The overall grade "summa cum laude" may only be awarded, if (a) two reviewer reports have been submitted and no more than one reviewer has awarded a grade lower than summa cum laude for the doctoral thesis, or if only the thesis defence was awarded a grade lower than summa cum laude. If a reviewer does not award the grade summa cum laude for the doctoral thesis, both reviewers must be present at the thesis defence. The Doctoral Degree Committee may alternatively decide to request that the Doctoral Degree Board appoint a third reviewer. - or - (b) three reviewer reports have been submitted and no more than one reviewer has awarded a grade lower than summa cum laude for the doctoral thesis, or if only the thesis defence was awarded a grade lower than summa cum laude. (§ 12)
Language of thesis defence	German or internationally recognised language (§ 16, para. 2)	German or English; other languages upon request (§ 13 para. 3)	German or English; other languages upon request (§ 13 para. 4)
Thesis defence	presentation of no more than 30 mins; 90 mins in total (§16 para. 5)	presentation of no more than 15 mins; 90 mins in total (§13 paras. 2 and 3)	presentation of no more than 30 mins; 90 mins in total (§16 para. 4)

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Cumulative/publication-based doctoral thesis	<p>several separate works and/or work deriving from research with other authors. Joint conception, close connection in terms of time and substance;</p> <p>scientific embedding in an appropriate form and of an appropriate length;</p> <p>in case of co-authors, document individual parts + confirmation of co-authors;</p> <p>No limitation with regard to assessment in case of co-authors (§ 10 Abs. 3)</p>	<p>only Sociology, Political Science;</p> <p>at least 4 separate works, of which at least 2 appear in peer-reviewed journals/anthologies ; additional academic work of at least 20 standard pages (1500 characters each)</p> <p>at least 2 separate works written as sole author</p> <p>max. 1 separate work written with first supervisor;</p> <p>in case of co-authors with first supervisor, 3rd reviewer report and first supervisor may not grade the work on which he/she collaborated (§ 8 para. 3 letter b)</p>	<p>only Education Studies, Rehabilitation Studies, Sport Science, Sociology and Political Science;</p> <p>at least 3 separate works, of which at least 2 appear in peer-reviewed journals/anthologies;</p> <p>scientific embedding;</p> <p>at least 2 separate works sole or lead authorship, in case of co-authors, document co-authorship + confirmation by co-authors, maximum 2 separate works with first supervisor (except Sport Science); no assessment in the event of co-authors (§ 9 para. 2 letter c and § 13 para. 2)</p>
Publication	within one year following thesis defence (§ 20 para 2); deadline may be extended once	within two years following thesis defence (§ 16 para.1); deadline may be extended multiple times	within two years following thesis defence (§ 20); deadline may be extended once
Certificate	Certificate and transcript in German and English (§ 21 paras. 2 and 3)	Certificate in German (§ 17 para. 1)	Certificate and transcript in German and English (§ 21 paras. 1 and 2)