

PhD Programme

Anyone interested in preparing a doctoral thesis on a subject cultivated in the Department, has to submit an application at the P.D.S. Secretary's Office, determining roughly the proposed topic of his/her thesis.

Applications can be submitted by any holder of a Master's Degree. In extraordinary cases, specified in the Regulations for Postgraduate Studies, after a justified decision of the General Assembly, a person can be admitted as a doctoral candidate without being a holder of a Master's Degree. Graduates of Technological Educational Institutes and other corresponding Schools can be admitted as doctoral candidates only provided they are holders of a Master's Degree.

For every doctoral candidate, the General Assembly determines a three member advisory committee, the specialization of all members of which is similar to the research subject of the candidate. One member of the advisory committee is determined as supervisor and must be either a Professor or an Associate Professor or an Assistant Professor in the Department (of Philosophy and History of Science); the remaining two members may be (retired) faculty members of this or any other Department of the University of Athens or any other University in Greece or abroad, or faculty members of a Technological Educational Institute or an equivalent School or researchers of grade A, B or C at a recognized research center in Greece or abroad, provided they are holders of a Doctoral Degree.

The advisory committee, in co-operation with the doctoral candidate, determines the topic of the doctoral thesis.

The duration of study towards obtaining a Ph.D. cannot be less than

- three (3) full calendar years, starting from the date of determination of the advisory committee, if the doctoral candidate holds a Master's Degree,
- four (4) full calendar years, starting from the date of determination of the advisory committee, if the doctoral candidate was admitted as an extraordinary case without being a holder of a Master's Degree.

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