

## Dissertation examinations

### Regular term - 25.3. 2024 - 28.3. 2024

- apply between 26.2.2024 - 4.3.2024 - apply in AIS and submit the application form with attachments to the Doctoral Studies Office.
- Departmental project defenses for the dissertation examination are recommended to be held in February 2024.

### Remedial term - 19.8. 2024 - 23.8. 2024

- apply between 20.6.2024 - 4.7.2024 - apply in AIS and submit the application form with attachments to the Doctoral Studies Office.

### The condition of applying for the dissertation examination :

- Completion of the study plan and obtaining a minimum of 60 credits
- obtaining a minimum of 20 credits for creative activity in the field of science - publishing.

The dissertation examination consists of a written and an oral part.

**Doctoral candidate submits a written part - a project on a topic close to the topic of the dissertation in the scope of 30 - 40 pages to the dissertation examination. The topic of the project will be determined by the supervisor. The outline of the prepared dissertation is also a part of the project.**

The dissertation project includes the definition of the theoretical foundations of the future solution of the dissertation topic, analysis of the current state of knowledge in the field, presentation of the objectives and methodological approaches to the solution of the problem. The content of the oral part of the dissertation examination is a debate on the dissertation project and answering questions according to the thematic focus of the dissertation. (After registering for the dissertation examination, the doctoral student will receive three sets of questions from each course he/she has taken as part of his/her study plan. At the dissertation examination, the examination committee will select 2 of these headings for the doctoral student to answer.)

The dissertation project is assessed by two opponents (one internal and one external). The proposal of the supervisor for the opponents is discussed by the Programme Board, approved by the Subdisciplinary Committee and the opponents are appointed by the Dean of the NHF.

**The proposal for the referees shall be submitted by the supervisor to the Department of Science and Doctoral Studies no later than 10 January 2024.**

The proposals for opponents will be forwarded to the Programme Board for discussion, which will discuss the proposals by 18.1.2024.

Subsequently, the proposals for opponents will be forwarded to the chairs of the sub-disciplinary committees, and the sub-disciplinary committees will discuss and approve the proposals for opponents and committees no later than 31.1.2024.

Doctoral students will consult with their supervisor on the topic of their dissertation project well in advance of the 10.1.2024 date. The form for the proposal of the dissertation project opponents is available on the faculty website - in the Documents for download. <https://nhf.euba.sk/studium/doktorandske-studium/informacie-pre-doktorandov>