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Doctoral Study Programme AGRARIAN AND REGIONAL ECONOMICS

General information about the study programme

Educational Classification Code of the Republic of Latvia – 51311
 The programme has been accredited till May 27, 2027
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 Duration of doctoral studies: full-time – 3 years
 The awarded degree: Doctoral degree Doctor of Science (Ph.D.) in Social Sciences

Study plan for the full-time studies

Study course/ activity	Type of control	CP	Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
			1 st sem.	2 nd sem.	3 rd sem.	4 th sem.	5 th sem.	6 th sem.
Theoretical studies		45						
<i>Agrarian and Regional Economics</i>	Examination protocol	12	12					
<i>Course of Research Directions</i>	Examination protocol	15				15		
<i>English for Research Professionals</i>	Examination protocol	6	6					
<i>Research Methodology in Economics I and II</i>	Examination protocol	12	6		6			
Research work		135						
<i>Courses Writing Research Papers/ Applied Multivariate Methods/ Computer modeling of economic processes</i>	Test control sheet	10		4		6		
Elaboration of a thesis	Supervisor's evaluation	49		18	14		12	4
Studies of bibliographic sources	List of bibl. sources	12	2	4	4	2		
Approbation and formatting of the dissertation	Supervisor's evaluation	15					5	10
Publishing of research findings	Copy of research paper	31		4	3	3	9	12
Presentation of research findings	Certificate, conference programme	18		3	3	4	4	4
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Schedule for implementing of the programme for full-time studies

Year 1		
Theoretical studies	24 CP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Agrarian and Regional Economics</i> (12 CP); • <i>English for Research Professionals</i> (6 CP); • <i>Research Methodology in Economics I</i> (6 CP);
Research work	29 CP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elective courses <i>Writing Research Papers</i> (4 CP)/ <i>Applied Multivariate Methods</i> (3...6 CP)/ <i>Computer modeling of economic processes</i> (6 CP); • the first two chapters of the thesis developed and submitted to the scientific supervisor in the first reading (18 CP); • identified at least 75 information sources (6 CP).
Presentation of research findings	3 CP	in at least one international scientific conference in Latvia.
Publishing of research findings	4 CP	in at least one international conference proceedings indexed Web of Science Core Collection, Conference Proceedings Citation Index and/or SCOPUS.
Total	60 CP	
Year 2		
Theoretical studies	21 CP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Research Methodology in Economics II</i> (6 CP), • <i>Course of Research Directions</i> (15 CP).
Research work	26 CP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elective courses <i>Writing Research Papers</i> (4 CP)/ <i>Applied Multivariate Methods</i> (3...6 CP)/ <i>Computer modeling of economic processes</i> (6 CP); • the chapters of the thesis developed and submitted to the scientific supervisor (14 CP), as well as data collection, compilation and processing; • identified at least 75 information sources (6 CP).
Presentation of research findings	7 CP	in at least two international conferences.
Publishing of research findings	6 CP	in at least one international conference proceedings and/or journal indexed Web of Science Core Collection, Conference Proceedings Citation Index and/or SCOPUS.
Total	60 CP	
Year 3		
Research work	31 CP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • submitted chapters are enhanced according to the supervisor's recommendations (12 CP); • all chapters of the thesis are submitted to the supervisor (4 CP); • approbation of the dissertation is started and the enhancement of the dissertation according to reviewers' recommendations (15 CP).
Presentation of research findings	8 CP	in at least two international conferences.
Publishing of research findings	21 CP	in at least two international conference proceedings and journal indexed Web of Science Core Collection, Conference Proceedings Citation Index and/or SCOPUS.
Total	60 CP	