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Based on the competencies for the determination according to article 87, points 2 and 3, in the Statute of the University of Prishtina and with the proposal of the Study Commission of the University of Prishtina, the Senate of the University of Prishtina in the meeting held on 10.06.2019 approval

# REGULATION FOR MASTER SCIENTIFIC STUDIES

# **General provisions**

# Article 1

This regulation defines the unique criteria for the organization and types of studies, the conditions of enrollment in studies, the conditions of enrollment of the year, the duration of studies, the change of the study program, the work of the master's degree, defense procedure and other important issues for master studies at the University of Prishtina hereinafter UP in Prishtina.

# Organization and types of studies Article 2

- 1. UP organizes regular studies of the master level for obtaining the scientific degree-arts in the defined programs of master studies.
- 2. UP can organize (also interdisciplinary master studies) or with other universities on the basis of joint study programs and mutual memoranda of partnership.
- 3. Programs in master studies must be in line with the needs of scientific, professional, cultural and economic development in Kosovo as well as in line with the (requirements) of the labor market.

- 4. The study program, the organization of the lesson, the compilation of the syllabi as well as the way of teaching and learning is done in harmony with the criteria of the Bologna Charter.
- 5. The initiative for accreditation or re-accreditation of master study programs comes from the respective faculties, respectively the relevant departments, which in this process interact with the Office for Academic Development of UP.
- 6. Faculties, respectively departments must meet the requirements and criteria of KAA for accreditation or re-accreditation of study programs as well as other requirements for accredited programs.
- 7. The UP Senate gives the final approval for the proposal and opening of new programs within the University, continuing with other procedures for fulfilling the legal requirements submitted by KAA.
- 8. The faculties, respectively the departments are responsible and must start the preliminary procedures (according to the standards and requirements of the KAA) for the study programs for which the accreditation is completed in order for the same programs to have continuity.

- 1. In the master level studies have the right to apply all the candidates who have completed the basic studies (bachelor) with credit 240 ECTS (four years of study) for master studies with 60 ECTS or 180 ECTS (three years of study) for studies master me 120 ECTS.
- 2. Due to the contents of the programs, the faculties may set concrete criteria regarding the right of registration for students coming from study programs different from the field of study where they wish to apply.
- 3. In the master level studies have the right to apply all the candidates who meet the conditions of the competition, according to the contents of the accredited program.
- 4. Candidates who have completed basic studies abroad, whose diplomas are recognized (equally valued calculated) by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, have the right to apply for master studies, according to the law and regulations in force.
- 5. The selection of candidates is done according to the criteria set by the Statute of UP and according to the conditions set out in the accredited program and which are submitted in the competition.

# Article 4

The master studies end with the completion - public defense of the work and the student receives the diploma with 120 ECTS or 60 ECTS, depending on the study program.

- 1. The right to teach in master studies has the teaching staff with university vocations: full professor, associate professor and assistant professor, who meets the conditions provided by the Statute of the University of Prishtina. Numerical, analytical, artistic and laboratory exercises can also engage assistants.
- 2. Assistants develop the teaching process by holding exercises, seminars, discussions, counseling, etc. The assistant cannot be a course holder at the master level nor give lectures.
- 3. In certain cases, two or more teachers can teach a subject. In cases when the lesson is held by two or more teachers, the grades in SEMS are evidenced by the course holder.

#### Article 6

Teaching in master studies is realized in the form of lectures, seminars, numerical / analytical / experimental / laboratory exercises, practical work, field work, artistic work, study visits, discussions, professional consultations and through independent works of students.

# **Registration conditions**

# Article 7

- 1. The proposal for the number of students for enrollment is given by the department, and which is approved by the Faculty Council (based on accredited study programs).
- 2. The final decision for announcing the public competition is taken by the Senate of the University of Prishtina in cooperation with MEST.

- 1. The selection of candidates according to article 3 (three) of this Regulation is made by the respective Commission, composed of at least 3 members, which, upon the proposal of the department, is approved by the Faculty Council.
- 2. The commission must be competent and professional in the field of studies.
- 3. The Faculty Council appoints an Appeals Commission for Proceedings of complaints regarding decisions during the registration competition process.
- 4. Candidates who are not admitted to the master level studies can file a written complaint in the administrative service of the faculty, addressing the complaint to the Complaints Commission of the Faculty, within two working days after the publication of the results. Commission for the complaint compiles a report on the complaints of the complained candidates. This report is approved by Faculty council.
- 5. The decision regarding the students' requests is taken within a period of two working days after review of complaints by the Complaints Commission or according to deadlines set otherwise from the competition.

1. Registration of students in the first semester of master studies is done in the Administration of the University of Prishtina, and the provision of the student with ID - card is done by IT service at the Faculty after verification by the student service for studies master at the faculty level.

# Change of program / direction of studies Article 10

1. For the change of the study program or for the transfer of the student from any Faculty UP, or from any other University accredited inside or outside the country, are valid provisions provided by the Statute of the University of Prishtina.

# Duration of studies

- 1. Master's degree studies last 2 (two), 3 (three), respectively 4 (four) semesters, depending according to the accreditation / re-accreditation of the program. Upon completion of these studies, the student accumulates 60 ECTS credits, 90 ECTS credits or 120 ECTS credits, depending on the program studies.
- 2. The student maintains the status of a regular student for as long as twice the duration of regular studies, performing the prescribed obligations according to the requirements of the program and other details provided by the UP Statute.
- 3. The student may once request to extend the duration of studies for one or two years, a decision taken by the faculty council, in accordance with Article 150 of the Statute of UP.
- 4. The beginning and the end of the semesters are done according to the provisions of the Statute of University of Prishtina.
- 5. Teaching in master studies takes place for 15 weeks within a semester (possibly extension of this term by any decision taken by the Faculty Council for you adapted to the specifics of the respective programs).

# The rights and obligations of students Article 12

- 1. Students have the right to appeal against the decision imposed by the organ Faculty bodies they have to do with their rights, obligations and responsibilities.
- Such complaints are handled according to the Statute of UP. (Disciplinary measures are regulated by Article 23 point 1.6.1 while complaints about registration Article 107 point 2).

# **Registration conditions of the year**

# Article 13

The Senate of the University of Prishtina with a special decision determines the conditions of registration of the following year of studies.

# Organizing exams

- 1. The student gains the right to take the exam in a subject after completing the obligations are foreseen with the curriculum of master studies, respecting the schedule € exams announced by the Faculty)
- 2. The ways of organizing the exam can be: analytical / numerical / laboratory / practical, theoretical, formative and which can be a test or oral answer questions.
- 3. Other methods can be used to assess the success of the student exam of the assessment, defined in the syllabi of the respective subjects and in the specifics of the accredited program.

Exams in master studies are held throughout the academic year according to the deadlines published / approved by the Faculty based on the Statute of UP and with decisions of of the Senate of the University of Prishtina.

#### Article 16

- 1. For the success achieved in the exam, including the evaluation of the diploma thesis the student is evaluated with a grade of 10 (excellent) and up to 5 (insufficient).
- 2. The grade of the master's thesis is set by the mentor in SEMS, based on the minutes of the defense of the diploma thesis signed by the members of the commission.
- 3. The commission for protection of the master thesis makes the evaluation immediately after the defense master's degree. The evaluation of the protection of the master thesis can be: Defended it with great success, very good, good, sufficient; (I appreciate it 100-90 possible points = "excellent"; 89-80 possible = "very good" 79-65 possible points = "good"; 64-50 possible = "sufficient"; 49 less points possible = "impassable"), or did not protect. The post-defense commission completes form F5.
- 4. The decision is taken by a majority vote of the members of the commission for the protection of the work master, ascertained by their signature. Work which has not passed the defense, can be reworked if the mentor gives approval for the continuation of the same work diploma and apply for defense for the second time, after a period of skin 2 years after which the right to defense is lost.
- 5. Minutes are compiled for the defense procedure in Albanian language, in case the defense is made in another language; the minutes are also compiled in that language.
- 6. The grade is recorded in SEMS with ID-card number and Report in physical form is sent to the student service.
- 7. If the student fails to complete the exam in 3 terms, he is obliged to repeat the respective subject from the beginning.

For students dissatisfied with the assessment and the grade obtained in the exam, the provisions of Statute of the UP.

# Master's degree thesis

# Article 18

- 1. The student can apply for the approval of the thesis proposal respectively project proposal for the master's thesis after it has all been completed obligations provided by the study program, respectively for students of the programs studies with 60ECTS respectively 90ECTS first semester all exams e completed, while for students of master study programs with 120ECTS to have completed all exams for the first semester of the year of study;
- 2. Application form for approval of theses draft diploma proposal for all UP it is the same and it is taken at student services or on the faculty website. (F1)
- 3. The request for approval of the master thesis is made in writing. An integral part of the application should to be a draft proposal for the topic, 1 which should contain the following elements:
  - 3.1. Reasoning of the proposed topic,
  - 3.2. The purpose of the study,
  - 3.3. Summary of literature,
  - 3.4. Research question and hypothesis / s,
  - 3.5. Research methodology,
  - 3.6. Expected research results
  - 3.7. References of the reviewed literature.
- 4. Completed application and signed by the teacher who can be a candidate potential for a mentor, is recorded and delivered to the service.
- 5. Mentor 1 of the diploma thesis can be any teacher who has one of calls professor at UP. If necessary, the mentor can also be my teacher one of the calls for a professor outside UP, but in this case a co-mentor within the UP. The ranking will be: the mentor from UP, then the commentator (at least the scientific degree Dr.sc.) outside UP. Thus the responsibilities administrative and procedural up to the defense of the diploma thesis will be weight e internal mentor (UP).
- 6. The master's thesis is individual and can be worked by a research group of 2 or 3 students, respecting article '118 of the UP statute, 1 which specifies this issue.

# Article 19

1. The department reviews the student's request regarding the project proposal e diploma master and proposes to the faculty council for approval, or return) for completion or even refuse. In case of approval, the department proposes it as well diploma thesis evaluation committee One of them should be the mentor 1 diploma paper. The department proposal is forwarded to the council for approval faculty.

- 2. After the proposal of the department is approved in the faculty council, the commission is 1 must complete the form (F2) within 15 days, which approves department.
- 3. This form together with the request for evaluation (F1) must be part of the physical file of candidate.
- 4. If the department proposes the completion of the project proposal, then it is dynamic change is determined by the department.
- 5. In case of rejection of the project proposal, then the process of handling the kërkesës.

Thesis 1 master's degree is an independent activity (scientific / artistic of the candidate / candidates and must prove that the student during the time of study has acquired competencies according to study program.

# Article 21

- 1. At least three months after the date of the decision of the faculty council to approve the application for evaluation of the project proposal and in cooperation with the mentor, the candidate may request handwriting assessment request, request (F2).
- 2. The registered application together with four soft copies of the diploma thesis is submitted to serve.
- 3. The printing of the master's thesis should be done on both sides of the A4 sheet. Working should be written using the Times New Roman font, size 12. Space between lines should be 1.5 throughout the document. The instruction must be followed writing and ordering of the diploma thesis.
- 4. After receiving the request and copies of the topic, the commission prepares the evaluation report of manuscript of the master thesis for the department, respectively the faculty council. (F3)

- 1. At the next meeting of the department, the commission prepares the evaluation report. diploma thesis manuscript (F3).
- 2. After the debate, the department can reject it, request completion or approve).
- 3. In case the department approves the report of the commission, it 1 proposes to the faculty council for approval by the commission for public protection. Members of the mbrojt commission for public protection there must be at least two people from the narrow areas of the diploma thesis.

- 4. The members of the defense commission must be at least two people from the respective Faculty.
- 5. The mentor (not the chairman) may also be on the defense committee and should be nominated also a reserve member.
- 6. The members of the commission can be the academic staff called by the professor from UP and outside UP (except for the President, who is a professor in accredited programs and in the field percussion).
- 7. In this meeting, the department proposes the modality for public discussion of the topic, which should last 15 days.
- 8. In case the department proposes the completion and changes in the report of the commission then the dynamics of change is determined by the department.

- 1. After the closing of the time limit provided for discussion, in case of need the commission meets recommendations from the public discussion and jointly assesses whether they should be incorporated on topic and report or not.
- 2. In case of changes of the report (F3) set result for public discussion, then once again the department reviews the vilification report.
- In case the public discussion phase did not produce significant changes in the report (F3) of the evaluation committee, then it is forwarded as proposal 1 treated according to Article 22, point 3, directly to the faculty council.
- 4. The report must be signed by the commission.
- 5. In case one of the members of the evaluation commission does not sign it or has an opinion negative, then on the proposal of the department, the faculty council refreshes the commission.
- 6. The report as such is recorded and a copy together with the request (F2) goes to the file student, one for the chairperson and one for the mentor.

- 1. The Faculty Council in the next meeting takes a decision to approve the report (F3) and the formation of the defense commission.
- 2. If during the debate in the faculty council a decision is made for a partial change of report (F3), then the time dynamics are determined by the faculty council 1.
- 3. The Commission for Protection has the obligation to organize the public defense no later than 10. days before} the date when the commission takes the decisions of the council.
- 4. In the meantime, the candidate taking into account the latest suggestions of the commission made improvement of the diploma thesis and prints 7 copies with strong covers and according to guidance.
- 5. Original copies of the diploma thesis must be recorded and submitted to the offices of student service.
- 6. In case the candidate does not complete the dissertation at a distance | (one) year from the date when the topic is allowed by the Faculty Council, the candidate may submit a request for continuation of the work of the topic in the additional period of 6 months.
- 7. In case the candidate does not complete the diploma thesis work even after continuing allowed 6 months by the Faculty Council, it is considered that the work has not been successful candidate and the candidate is required to submit the new diploma thesis for graduation in the respective MA program, as well as with a new mentor.
- 8. Master studies are completed according to the absolute deadlines set by the provisions of the Statute të UP-së.

If the work of the candidate is rejected by the relevant Commission or the candidate for does not complete the paper within the deadline according to the previous article, the candidate has the right to submit a written proposal for the new title of the master thesis. This is a possible candidate can use it only once.

# Article 26

- If the council 1 faculty with the proposal of the department to return the candidate work to be completed, in which case it may extend the Commission for the evaluation of completed work. The candidate must complete the farthest master's thesis within 6 (six) months.
- 2. When the Commission accepts the manuscript of the completed work, it is obliged to draft new report on the evaluation of the work and the same through the department to send to the faculty council within 15 days from the day of receipt of the manuscript.

# Article 27

- 1. The commission, in agreement with the candidate and with the approval of the department, appoints him date and place (hall) publike public protection of the work.
- 2. The secretary of the faculty (department) in consultation with the evaluation commission, announces notification for the defense of the master's degree thesis at least 5 days before the day of defense.
- 3. The announcement is published on the bulletin board at the Faculty and on the ucbwebsite of the Faculty. In notification provides information about the candidate, topic of the paper, date, time and hall of defense public.
- 4. Public protection is led by the chairman of 1 commission, according to the protection form (F4).
- 5. Public protection of the master's thesis must be done within a period not less than than 5 days and not more than 30 days from the day of issuing the decision.

# Article 28

- 1. The candidate has successfully defended his master's thesis if the decision and the positive assessment of the protection of the work was made unanimously or by the majority of the members of the Commission.
- 2. If the candidate has not successfully defended his / her master's thesis, he / she can a new proposal for a master's degree is submitted within six months from the date of notice.

- 1. The candidate successfully defends the diploma thesis 1 the diploma is issued according to the provisions provided in the accredited program and their statutory provisions.
- 2. The master's thesis, successfully defended, is published on the website of the most faculty a week after the public defense and the title

- 1. The candidate can be challenged and get a master's degree if it is found that the work of diploma master is plagiarism, fabrication or forgery. Explain how and who do the Commission for the devaluation of diplomas.
- 2. Suspicions of plagiarism and other unethical practices in diploma thesis masters can be raised by any person inside the University and outside.
- 3. In case of reasonable doubt, Department 1 proposes to the Faculty Council the composition of The three-member commission is set to review ownership suspicions. authorship and quality of master's thesis.
- 4. The commission set up by the Faculty Council submits to the Council the final report with clear and reasoned conclusion. The Faculty Council reviews the report of Commission and, if it finds doubts from the above paragraphs of this article, proposes to the UP Senate to receive the call of the master.
- 5. The Senate of the University of Prishtina makes the final decision on receiving the summons masterit.

# Termination / closing / closing of programs Article 31

- 1. Master study programs can be summarized in the following cases:
  - 1.1. On the proposal of the faculty and with the approval of the senate;
  - 1.2. Non-application for re-accreditation;
  - 1.3. Failure to obtain re-accreditation;

1.4. Decrease in the number of defined academic staff as responsible persons accredited programs;

1.5. Failure to meet the other conditions set by the Accreditation Agency of Kosovo (AKA).

- 2. In case of closure of master study programs, the faculties continue to follow generations of students enrolled in those programs until graduation or until deadlines set for graduation according to the Statute of UP or the decisions of the Senate of UP.
- 3. Students graduating from these programs have all the rights that 1 meets with profit of the title defined by those programs.

# Transitional provisions Article 32

- 1. All other matters not covered by this Regulation shall apply provisions of the Statute of UP and the law on Higher Education of Kosovo.
- 2. UP faculties rewrite their regulations for master studies or draft new ones to harmonize them with this regulation.
- 3. In addition to the regulation, the Faculties must draft the following documents:

3.1. Guidelines for project proposal;

3.2. Manuscript evaluation guidelines and forms (individual form for

each member of the Commission);

3.3. Guidelines for the evaluation of the final paper and presentation (a form 1 joint per commission).

4. The regulations and other accompanying documents referred to in this Article shall be adopted by the Council of Faculty and receive final approval from the UP Senate.

- 1. This Regulation enters into force on 1.10.2019.
- 2. Amendments and supplements to this Regulation may be made in accordance with the procedure which has been approved.

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#### Formulari- F1

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# **INTRODUCTION**

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#### LITERATURE REVIEW

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Here are the different phenomena that affect it and what studies show in a period of time, for example, the last 10 years.

We describe and cite the various works and authors and at the end, a link should be made to the next paragraph or section.

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In this section we proceed the same as before, but focusing on the important topics in the context, which is defined by the subheading.

# AIM OF RESEARCH

Towards the end of the Introduction, having the clear theoretical framework on which the study is built, we must talk about the concrete purpose of the study.

The purpose of the research must be clearly, accurately, and well defined. The aims of the research should be harmonized with the problem or issue that has been studied. The presentation of the problem and its relevance should be related in terms of theoretical perspective, but also with the research question, hypotheses, and predicted research methods.

Regarding the purpose or goals of the paper, the research questions or its hypotheses should be clearly specified.

# METHODOLOGY

Most undergraduate thesis topics (if required) rely less on challenging research methodologies. In this case, the most common questions are, e.g., "how much of that?" and with "what quality?". At the master's level, more challenging research questions are required to be elaborated and, as a result, more sophisticated methodologies must be applied. Special master level courses aim to acquaint the candidate with this methodology. Sometimes, in addition to working closely with the mentor (leader), it is recommended to work with other experts.

First of all, the candidate must define the type of research approach to the chosen problem.

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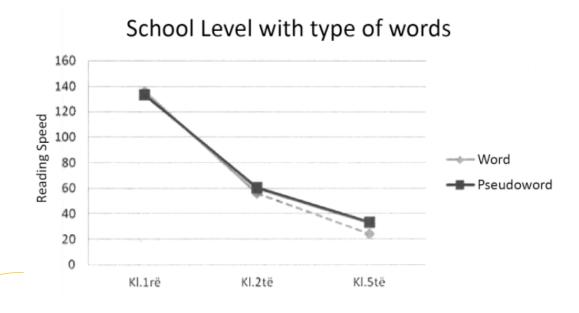


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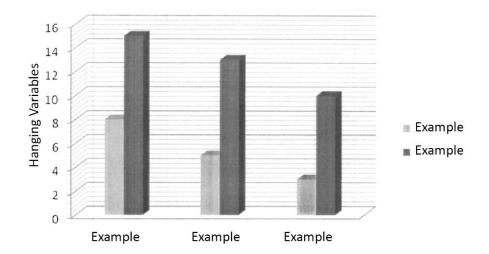


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# DISCUSSION

This part is essential for the work of the master thesis, because exactly in this part should be reflected all what the results of this study show, regarding the review of the literature and the introductory part, as well as the aims of the study.

Exactly in this part, it should be shown whether the study hypothesis is confirmed or rejected or what answers emerge for the questions formulated at the beginning.

The results of the research should be presented based on the previous chapters. It is also recommended that the candidate present what the study contributes to existing knowledge, theory, and practice in a particular field.

Usually, the paragraph that opens this last chapter is:

The purpose of this study was ...... and the results show that ......

# CONCLUSIONS

Finally, we proceed with some paragraphs, which are the final conclusion of the paper and if there are study limitations, to be mentioned. It is important to avoid giving a list of recommendations for target groups, but to elaborate in a narrative way the conclusion reached regarding the purpose and research questions and hypotheses that were raised at the beginning of the study. The scientific contribution of the study should be clearly read here.

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