

Regulation of Studying in PhD by Research Program

Introduction of PHD by Research program

Act 1: The purpose of implementing PHD by Research Program is upbringing individuals which have deep understanding of scientific information in a special subject, and are familiar with advanced research methods and having access to the last methods of research for responding to scientific needs and extension of knowledge boundaries.

Act 2: Professional Doctorate Program is divided to two stages of education and research. Education stage starts after student's entrance to the program and ends to a comprehensive exam. Research stage starts after education stage and admission in comprehensive exam and it ends to writing thesis and thesis presentation.

Note: The comprehensive examination implements twice a year.

Act 3: Students can start primary researches in their education stage, but their official registration for research stage and writing thesis is depend on success in comprehensive exam.

Selection of the Students:

Act4: The entrance condition of professional doctorate program students:

- Having the general entrance condition of academic education.
- Having the physical and mental health in adequate with educational major.
- Having the master degree or general doctorate or higher coordinate with that specific educational discipline from one of the home or outside universities that is accredited by ministry of health, treatment and medical education or ministry of science.
- Success in English language exam based on legislation of high council of medical sciences programing
- Success in the specific entrance exam to the professional doctorate program
- Not simultaneous education in the same or other universities
- There is not any age limitation for candidates

Act5: The owners of equivalent degree to master aren't allowed to participate in entrance exam of PHD by research program

The system of the education:

Act6: The program is based on a system of "credits".

Act7: A student who registers for PHD by research program should pass successfully 18 to 30 credits base on the concept of the education guiding professor and the concerns of educational programing which has been approved by high council of medical education planning in the allowed period.

Act8: The student should register for 8 to 12 credits course in each semester, unless the remained credits would be less than 8 credits. In some exceptions by recommendation of the department and acceptance of complementary education council of the school and the complementary education council of the university the maximum imitation of permissible credit can increase up to 14 credits.

Act9: For each 8 extra complementary credit course, one semester will add to maximum permissible length of education.

The length of the program

Act10: The maximum permissible period of for finishing the education and research stages is 4.5 years.

Act11: Each educational year divides to two semesters if it was necessary the university would offer summer semester .The education's length in each semester is 17 weeks and each summer semester is 6 weeks.

Act12: Each credit course is equivalent to 17 hours for theoretical course, 34 hours for experimental course, and 34 hours for laboratorial course, 51 hours for workshop and training, 68 hours for internship course in one semester or summer semester

Acceptable Scores:

Act13: The minimum acceptable score in each dedicated course is 14 out of 20 and in each complementary course is 12 out of 20; otherwise the course should be repeated.

Act14: The student's average score in PHD program should not be less than 15 and if the average scores in two semesters was less than 15, the student would not be permitted to continue the education

Act15: Scores of the complementary courses are out of the total average or average of each semester and they are considered separately.

Guiding Professors

Act16: Each PHD student should have one education guiding professor and one research guiding professor

Act17: The education guiding professor must be determined until the end of the first semester and up to that time the head of the department should do the education guiding professor's responsibilities.

Act18: The education guiding professor should be a faculty member belonging to the student's university whom shall be an assistant professor or researching assistant professor by at least 3 years' experience in teaching or researching.

Absences

ACT19: In summer semester students are not allowed to choose more than 4 credits hours. The permissible student's absence in each theoretical course is 4/17, lab practical 2/17, training and field training 1/10 hours of the course, otherwise the student score will be zero.

ACT20: Unauthorized absence in each exam will result in zero and authorized absence will result in course omission.

Act 15: A PHD by research student can take 2 semesters as vacation.