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FACULTY
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**CORE CURRICULUM
FOR DOCTORAL TRAINING**

SCIENTIFIC FIELD: **Social, economic and legal sciences**

PROFESSIONAL FIELD: **Sociology, Anthropology and Culture Studies**

PHD PROGRAMME: **Theory and history of culture**

ACADEMIC DEGREE: **PhD**

NQF* LEVEL: **8**

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION: **RESEARCHER**

DURATION: **3 /three/ or 4 /four/ YEARS**

TYPE OF EDUCATION: **FULL-TIME / UNSUPERVISED /
PART-TIME / DISTANCE**

THE CURRICULUM HAS BEEN IN FORCE SINCE: **2019 ACADEMIC YEAR**

*National Qualifications Framework

BLAGOEVGRAD, 2019

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№	COURSES AND ACTIVITIES	Tuition and form of education			Certification Format
		CREDIT POINTS	TUITION HOURS	lectures, seminars, laboratory sessions, independent studies, consultations, contribution, etc.	examination, ongoing evaluation, interview, certificate, report, protocol, attestation, etc.
I. TUITION					
1.	Compulsory course 1 (on the thematic focus of the dissertation)	4.0	120	15 lectures/ 15 seminars (30 att. / 90 indep.)	exam
2.	Compulsory course 2 (on the thematic focus of the dissertation)	4.0	120	15 lectures/ 15 seminars (30 att. / 90 indep.)	exam
3.	Project design and management	4.0	120	30 att. / 90 indep.	exam
4.	English language	4.0	120	15 lectures/ 15 seminars (30 att. / 90 indep.)	exam
5.	Elective course 1	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
TOTAL:		20	600		
II. ACADEMIC RESEARCH					
1.	Research and review of literature	10	300	Independent study. Consultations	Interview
2.	Presentation of a concept and tools for the research on the dissertation	30	900	Independent study. Consultations	Interview. Department meeting protocol
3.	Discussion of a separate part of the dissertation	20	600	Independent study. Consultations	Interview. Department meeting protocol
4.	Minimum 3 scientific publications	30	900	Independent study. Consultations	Publications
5.	Preparation and participation in at least 3 scientific forums	30	900	Independent study. Consultations	Certificates
6.	Discussion of a variant of the dissertation	30	900	Independent study. Consultations	Interview. Department meeting protocol
Total :		150	4500		
III. Teaching					
1.	Conducting seminars, practical or laboratory activities, student counseling, observing and sitting in on classes, verification of written works, writing reviews of BA and MA theses.	4	120	30 att. / 90 indep.	Interview
TOTAL :		4	120		

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IV. MISCELANEOUS					
1.	Participation in departmental meetings; in the work of Department, Faculty, and University committees	2	60	Meetings	Protocol
2.	Participation in academic activities and performances of the Department	2	60	Activities	Protocol
3.	Participation in research projects	2	60	Projects	Contract
TOTAL :		6	180		
GRAND TOTAL (for the entire period of study):		180	5400		

COMPULSORY COURSES					
1.	Cultural Heritage from the Ancient Thracian Civilization in the Context of the Cultural Industries	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
2.	Socialization of the Bulgarian Cultural Heritage. Scientific-applied Aspects	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
3.	Culture and Communication	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
4.	Media and Art	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
5.	European Cultural Policies	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
6.	Cultural Management	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
7.	Culture as a Factor for Sustainable Development	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam
8.	Anthropology of Modernity	4.0	120	15 lectures / 90 indep.	exam

Note: The Compulsory courses on the thematic orientation of the dissertation are determined by the supervisor, with the participation of the PhD-student, after determining the topic of the dissertation. In addition to the elective courses specified in the curriculum, the PhD-student may choose any of the elective courses in the catalog of the doctoral school of South-West University.

Conditions for admission to thesis defense

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy is awarded after the successful completion of obligations described in art. 46, par. 2 of the Higher Education Act, art. 9, par. 2 of the Academic Staff Development Act in Bulgaria and its statutes of application and in accordance with the Conditions and Rules of obtaining the degree of Doctor of Philosophy stipulated in the Internal Academic Staff Development Rules and Procedures at the South-West University "Neofit Rilski".

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Remarks on the curriculum:

1. The individual educational, research, pedagogical and other activities as described in the curriculum are defined for every individual PhD student each semester and academic year in an individual work plan, with stipulations of length, forms of assessment and validation and all other relevant information.
2. The curriculum contains all the requirements, described by the Higher Education Act the Law for the Academic Staff Development Act in Bulgaria and its statutes of application and in accordance with the Conditions and Rules of obtaining the degree of Doctor of Philosophy stipulated in the Internal Academic Staff Development Rules and Procedures at the South-West University "Neofit Rilski".
3. The curriculum allows the PhD student to meet the minimum national requirements for the scientific field.

The curriculum was discussed at the Department of Cultural Studies meeting in Minutes № 8/19.02.2019.

The curriculum was approved at the Faculty of Arts Council meeting, Minutes №72/19.02.2019.

The curriculum was approved at the South-West University Academic Council meeting, Minutes №37/27.03.2019.

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