

Doktor znanosti/doktorica znanosti s področja zdravstvenih ved

Selected qualifications

Name of qualification	Doktor znanosti/doktorica znanosti s področja zdravstvenih ved
Translated title (no legal status)	Doctor of Philosophy in the field of health science
Type of qualification	Diploma tretje stopnje
Category of qualification	Izobrazba
Type of education	Doctoral education
Duration	3 years
Credits	180 credits

Admission requirements

In order to be eligible for enrolment in the health science doctoral study programme, candidates must have finished:

- a second-cycle study programme with a total of 180 ECTS, from the field of human health, social sciences or humanities.
- a study programme educating for healthcare professions governed by EU directives, or other uniform master's study course from the field of social sciences or humanities valued at 300 ECTS credit points
- a study programme to attain university-level education in health science, social sciences or humanities, adopted prior to 11 June 2004
- a Master of Science following a previously completed programme to attain university-level education in health science, social sciences or humanities. In accordance with the law and based on an application, these candidates are granted the recognition of study requirements equalling ECTS 60 credit points.
- a study programme to attain specialisation, having previously completed a higher education specialist programme in an appropriate field of study. These candidates are assigned additional study requirements for various fields in the scope ranging between 30 to 60 ECTS credit points.

Everyone enrolled in accordance with the conditions a through d who completed courses in social sciences or humanities must provide proof of work experience in the field of public health issues, or proof of work as associates in healthcare teams or in teams working in the field of health in society.

All candidates must provide proof of publishing activity in their field of expertise and must be capable of using study materials in the English language.

Foreigners (candidates who are not citizens of EU member countries) or Slovenes without Slovenian citizenship who fulfil the requirements for enrolment may enrol in accordance with the provisions of the Rules on the call for enrolment and the implementation for enrolment in higher education, and of the Rules on the studies of foreigners and Slovenians without Slovenian citizenship in the Republic of Slovenia. The conditions for the admission of foreigners to doctoral study programmes are equal to those that apply to Slovenian citizens if the education they completed abroad is equivalent.

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Before enrolling, a candidate selects a mentor and provides, at the latest upon enrolling, his/her consent to mentorship, and a list of his/her scientific publications from the field of the topic of the candidate's doctoral thesis. The mentor or co-mentor providing support in the preparation of the doctoral thesis must hold a valid academic title of higher education teacher (assistant professor, full professor, associate professor) or researcher (research fellow, senior research fellow and research counsellor) and demonstrate research activity with appropriate scientific biography from the topic of the doctoral thesis. The minimum condition to demonstrate research activity of the mentor is to have accumulated 100 SICRIS points in the past five years in the case of fundamental research with bibliography, and 40 points in the case of applicative research along with proof of a successful transfer of such results into practice. The mentor is finally appointed in the process of applying for and obtaining consent to the topic of the doctoral thesis. The mentor can also be a foreign specialist with a title comparable to teacher or researcher titles of the Faculty of Health Care. In such cases, the Faculty shall appoint a co-mentor.

ISCED field

Field
Zdravstvo in socialna varnost

ISCED subfield

subfield interdisciplinarne izobraževalne aktivosti/zidi, pretežno
zdravstvo in socialna varnost

Qualification level

SQF 10
EQF 8
Third level

Learning outcomes

General competences attained through the study course:

- The ability to conceptualise, plan and implement projects to create new knowledge, participate in understanding the latter in practice, its application and foreseeing problems encountered in the process,
- The ability of assessment in complex situations where there is not a lot of data, dealing with complex problems;
- The ability to clearly and efficiently communicate ideas and conclusions to the scientific, expert, professional and lay public;
- Carrying out basic and applicative research, support to progress through research work, the use of new techniques and approaches to research;
- Personal responsibility, initiative, professionalism, well-developed critical thinking in regard to the research problem;
- Understanding the importance of knowledge for academic development;
- Analysing health trends and health issues and issues in the field of successfulness and efficiency of health care and the design of a strategy to address challenges related to health treatment as a science, system, process, organisation, phenomenon and policy;
- Comprehensive understanding of research work at European Qualification Framework Level 8;
- Contribution of research work to the developing field of health sciences, combining scientific and professional activity in healthcare, the promotion of health and health management as scientific disciplines through research and the development of one's own theories.

The graduate's specific competences:

- he/she identifies and understands ethical problems of research related to health, health treatment, and healthcare as a system and policy
- he/she independently carries out his/her own representative research in all stages of the research process
- he/she is responsible for the management of interdisciplinary and interprofessional tasks in health sciences and in broader scenarios
- he/she partakes in discussions in health science and broader circles, and presents the results of his/her own research at national conferences, drafts research reports and publishes research work in peer-reviewed scientific periodicals
- he/she assesses the need for change in the field of health sciences, promoting and proposing such changes
- he/she will possess knowledge for scientific work in the field of healthcare (healthcare science), with possible specialisations in general nursing, promotion of health and health management
- he/she will possess knowledge and skills to independently use scientific research methods and

critical formation of new scientific notions

- he/she will be familiar with key research problems within his/her scientific discipline
- he/she will acquire knowledge on general theory of science and of his/her discipline, so that he/she will be able to follow them and take part in them
- he/she will acquire the skills required for international research and project work,
- he/she will acquire a broader understanding of the importance of theoretical foundations in his/her field of research, and of research methods
- he/she will have the knowledge to establish new knowledge based on the collaboration between academic research teams and clinical environments
- he/she will have the knowledge required to identify and transfer knowledge from other disciplines
- he/she will solidify the knowledge from his/her research field
- he/she will respect the principles of scientific integrity and ethics
- he/she will acquire knowledge from the field of research, critical thinking and evaluation, research methods and ethics
- he/she will have the knowledge required to take up a managerial post in the discipline and in various organisations
- he/she will acquire the knowledge required for in-depth and independent research work
- he/she will gather experience by working in an international environment
- he/she will develop aspects of knowledge in his/her own field of research
- he/she will acquire the knowledge required for independent research work
- he/she will acquire the knowledge required for international research work.

Assessment and completion

Examination performance is graded as follows: 10 (excellent); 9 (very good: above-average knowledge but with some mistakes); 8 (very good: solid results); 7 (good); 6 (adequate: knowledge satisfies minimum criteria); 5–1 (inadequate). In order to pass an examination, a candidate must achieve a grade between adequate (6) and excellent (10).

Progression

A student will progress to year 2 if he/she accumulates at least 40 ECTS from completing the requirements of year 1, whereby the compulsory subject that must be passed to progress to year 2 is Research work and methodology of research.

In order to be eligible for exceptional progression to year 2, a student must accumulate at least 30 ECTS, whereby the missing exam cannot be Research work and methodology of research. In such a case, the granting of progression is decided by the Faculty's Commission for scientific, research and development activities, to which such a student is required to address his/her application with appropriate supporting evidence.

A student progress to year 3 if the requirements passed from year 1 total 60 ECTS, and those from year 2 earn him/her a total of 45 ECTS at least.

He/she must pass the Doctoral seminar II (30 ECTS). The student must present the topic of the selected doctoral thesis (15 ECST) at the latest by the beginning of the second semester of year 2 (or the 3rd semester of the study course).

A student who failed to pass all of the obligations set out in the study programme is eligible to repeat a year once in the entire study course. The application to repeat a year can be granted by the Faculty's Commission for scientific, research and development activities. The conditions for the defence of the doctoral thesis are defined in the rules adopted by the Faculty's Senate.

Condition for obtaining certificate

The student writes his/her doctoral thesis and defends it after having completed all obligations. The condition to complete the study course is the completion of all obligations, the writing and defence of the doctoral thesis and the publication of an original scientific article in a magazine with a factor of influence.

Awarding body

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