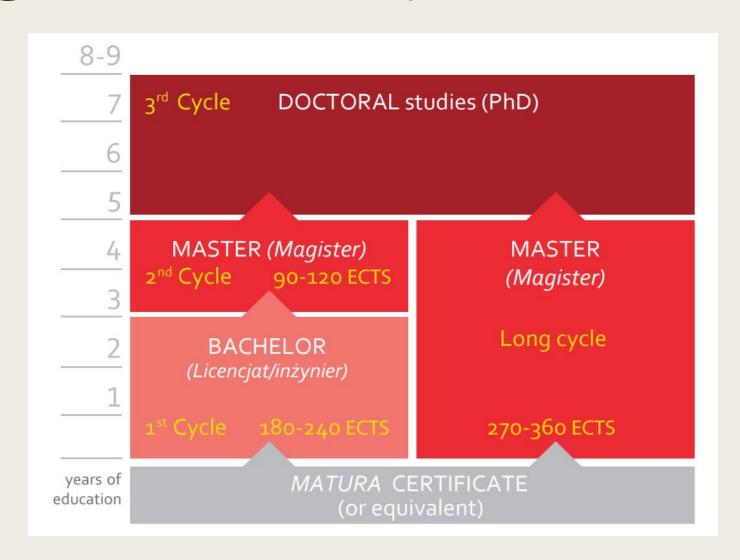
DOCTORAL EDUCATION IN POLICY DE LA NOTATION DE LA N

higher education system in Poland



since a major higher education law reform in 2018

doctoral education is free for all, including foreigners

each doctoral student receives a subsistence scholarship

internationalization and research interdisciplinarity are prioritized

* The full text of the Law on Higher Education is available in English on the Doctoral School's website.

quality assurance

only the best universities are allowed to run doctoral schools and grant PhD degrees

the research quality of each discipline practiced at a university is verified periodically

doctoral schools are regularly evaluated

the model fully complies with that of the European Higher Education Area

important elements of doctoral education

The education shall be carried out on the basis of a doctoral training and an individual research plan.

The implementation of the plan shall be subject to midterm evaluation in the middle of the period of education.

The mid-term evaluation shall end with a positive or negative result. The result of the evaluation, together with the justification, shall be public.

* Detailed solutions are determined by individual doctoral schools.

eligibility

- Your current degree (MA or equivalent) gives you the right to pursue doctoral training in a doctoral school in Poland if it fulfils at least one of the following criteria:
 - it gives access to doctoral studies or gives right to start doctoral proceedings in the country where it was obtained;
 - it confirms completion of a joint program provided by foreign higher education institutions and gives access to doctoral studies or gives right to start doctoral proceedings in at least one of the country in the education of which it was provided is recognized on the basis of an international agreement.

recognition of degrees

- An academic degree (MA) awarded by an authorized institution operating in the education system of one of the EU, EFTA, OECD countries is recognized as equivalent to the respective Polish one.
- An academic degree (MA) obtained in another country may be recognized as equivalent to a Polish one either on the basis of an international agreement or (if there is no such agreement) by way of nostrification.

diplomas that do not entitle one to enter a doctoral school

Diplomas confirming the completion of higher education abroad do not give access to further studies in Poland if:

- 1. institutions which issued them or institutions in which the education was provided:
 - a) were not accredited higher education institutions on the date of issuing the diploma or implemented a study program which did not have accreditation on the date of issuing the diploma or
 - b) do not operate within a higher education system of any country or
- 2. a higher education program or its part was implemented against provisions of the country in which the education was provided.

basic timeline

admission

supervisor appointed (3 months)

individual research plan (12 months)

midterm evaluation (24 months)

end of training (48 months)

possible extension (24 months)

submission of dissertation

doctoral defense (a separate procedure, outside of the doctoral school)

subsistence scholarship

each doctoral student receives a monthly scholarship of ca. 2,100 PLN for the first two years of studies

after the midterm evaluation a doctoral student receives a scholarship of ca. 3200 PLN

a doctoral student with disabilities receives a scholarship increased by 30% of the basic amount

caveats

you are only entitled to receive the subsistence scholarship if you do not already hold a PhD degree

you may only be a doctoral student at one doctoral school

the monthly subsistence scholarship cannot exceed 48 months you cannot be employed at a university (as researcher or teacher)

receiving a PhD degree

it is carried out by the appropriate discipline council

each university has its own detailed procedure

the procedure is free for doctoral school graduates

the PhD degree is awarded to a candidate who

has achieved specified qualifications, usually by graduating from a doctoral school

 candidates who did not attend a doctoral school must prove the required qualifications otherwise

has submitted and successfully defended a doctoral dissertation before a committee

- a doctoral student submits their dissertation twice:
 - 1) to graduate from the doctoral school
 - 2) to receive the degree in a separate procedure

PQF Level 8 Descriptors

KNOWS AND UNDERSTANDS:				IS ABLETO:				IS READY TO:			
First stage generic descriptors (universal)				First stage generic descriptors (universal)				First stage generic descriptors (universal)			
the world's achievements in science and the arts and the resulting implications of this for practice			analyse and creatively synthesise scientific and creative achievements to identify and solve research problems as well as those related to innovative and creative activities; contribute new elements to these achievements; independently plan one's own development as well as inspire the development of others; participate in the exchange of experiences and ideas, also in the international community			conduct independent research which contributes to existing scientific and creative achievements, assume professional and public challenges taking into consideration: their ethical dimension responsibility for their results and develop models of good practice in such situations					
	Second stage generic descriptors typical for higher education Second stage generic descriptors typical for vocational education and training		Second stage generic descriptors typical for higher education		Second stage generic descriptors typical for vocational education and training		Second stage generic descriptors typical for higher education		Second stage generic descriptors typical for vocational education and training		
L8H KS	the world's achievements relating to: • theoretical foundations • general and selected specific issues of the academic or artistic discipline at a level enabling the revision of existing paradigms the main scientific developments in the academic or artistic disciplines essential to the study programme; the methodology of scientific research	L8V KT	the newest scientific achievements on which the theoretical foundations of the methods and technologies of the occupation are based	NS ⁻ H87	take advantage of knowledge from different academic or artistic fields to creatively identify, formulate and innovatively solve complex problems or perform research activities, especially: • to define the aim and subject of the research, formulate a research hypothesis • develop research methods, techniques and tools and use them creatively • draw conclusions on the basis of research results transfer the results of research studies to the economic and social spheres	IS ⁻ N87	create models of development for the occupation using relevant theories and the most complex information as well as draw conclusions from such models	L8H_CE	critically evaluate the achievements of one's academic discipline; critically evaluate one's contributions to the development of that field; recognize the value of knowledge in solving cognitive and practical problems	L8V_CF	develop principles of the occupation on maintaining the quality of its performance as well as the culture of cooperation and the culture of competition
L8H KX	the fundamental dilemmas of modern civilization; the economic, legal and other essential conditions of conducting scientific research	L8V KP	the most recent theories of phenomena and processes enabling new materials, methods, technologies, products and processes to be developed	L8H_SC	disseminate research results, also to the general public; initiate debates; participate in academic discourse; use a foreign language at a level that enables participation in international academic and professional communities	L8V_SO	produce a development strategy relating to the work of the occupation, design the legal and organisational conditions to benefit the development of the occupation; solve the most complicated problems, develop innovative solutions, also with the use of research results	L8H_CR	fulfil the social obligations of researchers and artists; initiate activities on behalf of the public interest; think and act in an enterprising manner	L8V_CC	maintain and establish proper relations in the international professional community
		L8V KO	the newest methods and technologies relating to the occupation used in the world; the newest organisational solutions relating to the occupation used in the world	OS_H8J	plan and implement one's own and a team's research or creative work, also in the international community	L8V_SM	develop new methods and technologies for the occupation	L8H_ CP	uphold and develop the ethos of the research and artistic communities, including: • conducting research in an independent manner • respecting the principle of the public ownership of academic research results, taking into account intellectual property rights	L8V_CR	cultivate a culture of promoting quality in the performed occupation
		L8V KM		L8H_SL	autonomously plan and act on behalf of personal development; inspire and organise the development of others; develop an education or training programme and implement it using modern methods and tools	L8V_SL	develop training programmes and materials in the field of one's occupation				

PQF level 8 descriptors reflect the preparation of a person with a qualification at this level to analyse and creatively synthesise world scientific and artistic achievements to identify, formulate and innovatively solve very complex problems or conduct research to develop new achievements in the field. They indicate that the person:

- is able to define the purpose and object of study and formulate a research hypothesis,
- is able to use scientific and artistic achievements to develop existing and new methods, techniques and research tools, and creatively apply them in practice, including in the development of new materials, methods, technologies and products; is able to transfer the results of his/her work to the economic and social spheres,

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- is able to design the legal and organisational conditions conducive to the development of conducted business,
- is able to plan and implement individual and collaborative research or creative projects; lead a group and take responsibility for it; participate in the exchange of ideas, also in the international community,
- is able to independently plan personal development and to inspire and organise the development of other people; develop education/training programmes and conduct them using modern methods and tools,
- is ready to uphold and develop the ethos of the research and artistic communities, develop and establish models of proper conduct in the workplace and in other environments, contribute creatively to improving quality and the culture of cooperation.

doctoral dissertation

A doctoral dissertation presents the candidate's general theoretical knowledge in the discipline(s) concerned and ability to conduct independent research or artistic activity. A dissertation is devoted to an **original solution** to a research problem, an original solution where findings from the applicant's own research are applied in the economic or social sphere, or an original artistic achievement. A dissertation can be a written work, including a scientific monograph, a collection of published and thematically related research papers, a project, design, engineering or artistic work, or an independent and separate part of a collective work.

fields of science

- Humanities
- Social Sciences
- Natural Sciences
- Field of Science: Arts
- Medical and Health Sciences
- Engineering and Technology
- Agricultural Sciences
- Theological Sciences

Humanities

- Philosophy
- History
- Language Studies
- Literature Studies
- Archaeology
- Cultural and Religious Studies
- Art Sciences

Social Sciences

- Social and Economic Geography, Economics and Finance and Land Management
- Security Studies
- Political Science and Administration
- Educational Sciences
- Social Communication and Media

- Management and Quality Sciences
- Law
- Sociology
- Canon Law
- Psychology

Natural Sciences

- Mathematics
- Biological Sciences
- Earth and Environmental Sciences
- Physical Sciences
- Astronomy
- Chemical Sciences
- Computer Science

Arts

- Plastic Arts and Art Conversation and Restoration
- Theatre and Film Arts
- Musicology

selected links

- Polish National Agence for Academic Echange
 - https://nawa.gov.pl/en
- Ready, Study, Go! Poland
 - https://study.gov.pl/5-main-reasons-study-poland
- Study in Poland
 - http://www.studyinpoland.pl/en/education
- Science in Poland
 - https://scienceinpoland.pap.pl/en

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