

Revision of the Special Regulations of the PhD Programme Heritage Studies (PhDO-HS)

of September 27, 2017

Pursuant to § 5 (1) clause 2 in connection with §§ 31 (3) clause 5, 72 (2) clause 1 No. 1 of the Brandenburg Higher Education Act (Brandenburgisches Hochschulgesetz) (BbgHG) of April 28, 2014 (GVBl. I/14 Nr. 18), last amended on July 01, 2015 (GVBl. I/15 No. 18) and according to the General Regulations for Structured PhD Programmes (RahmenO PhD) of BTU Cottbus of February 8, 2011 (Abl. 15/2011), the Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg (BTU) sets itself the statutes as follows:

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§ 1 Scope of validity

¹These regulations govern the special features of the PhD Programme Heritage Studies. ²They are only applicable in connection with the General Regulations for Structured PhD Programmes (RahmenO PhD) of February 08 2011 (Abl. 15/2011) and/or its revised version.

§ 2 Profile and goals of the PhD Programme

¹The PhD Programme Heritage Studies offers an interdisciplinary and international PhD study programme in the multifaceted field of World Heritage. ²In addition to research under academic guidance, it offers an international level module-programme to complement the own study programme. ³The structured PhD Programme Heritage Studies gives doctoral students the opportunity to prepare a dissertation within a period of three years and in accordance with appropriate academic standards.

⁴These research activities are to remain within defined subject-specific and multidisciplinary contexts, and the students acquire knowledge of interdisciplinary research methodologies.

⁵The goal of the PhD Programme is that doctoral students make a demonstrable contribution to furthering research in the area of Heritage Studies.

§ 3 Structure of the PhD Programme

(1) ¹The PhD Programme is designed to cover a period of three years and requires 180 credit points, of which 150 credit points are reserved for the scientific work. ²Over the course of the PhD Programme, in addition to his or her own research activities, the doctoral student also participates in course work comprised of compulsory modules, which together amount to a total of 30 credit points. ³These include (see Annex):

1. Theories / Methods
2. Status Seminar Heritage Studies: Progress Reports PhD Thesis,
3. Essentials of Grant Proposal Writing,
4. PhD Thesis Writing Skills,
5. Research Colloquium.

⁴In the framework of their structured scientific education, the PhD students are expected to attend and actively participate in further supplementary courses. ⁵These include, for example:

1. Annual summer schools and/or workshops,
2. Subject-related and appropriate supplementary courses.

(2) ¹Failed examinations can be retaken once during any academic year (repeat examination). ²If the repeat examination receives a grade of "unsatisfactory", or if the "unsatisfactory" grade is adjudged to correspond to a grade of "failed", the examination is considered as conclusively failed.

(3) ¹An examination candidate loses the entitlement to sit for an examination if he/she definitively fails all repeated examinations for a specific module. ²This also applies in case of absence without a legitimate reason.

(4) ¹The Admissions and Registrar's Office determines the overall grade for the modules and communicates them to the PhD Committee. ²The final grade is weighted as follows: 1/5 from the grade of the module "Theories / Methods", 1/5 from the grade of the module "Status Seminar Heritage Studies: Progress Reports PhD Thesis", 1/5 from the grade of the module "Essentials of Grant Proposal Writing", 1/5 from the grade of the module "PhD Thesis Writing Skills" and 1/5 from the grade of the module "Research Colloquium". ³Only the first decimal point is considered; all other decimals are ignored without rounding.

(5) ¹Successful candidates shall be awarded the academic degree "Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Heritage Studies".

§ 4 Subject-related admission requirements

¹The subject-related requirement for admission to the PhD Programme Heritage Studies is generally a degree according to § 5 of the General Regulations for Structured PhD Programmes in the field of heritage studies and related subjects such as architecture, building and conservation, environmental sciences, social sciences.

§ 5 Entry into force, transitional regulations, abrogation

(1) ¹These regulations enter into force at the date of publication, however at the latest upon commencement of the winter semester 2017/18.

²PhD students who enrolled prior to the winter semester 2017/18 and whose doctoral examination process commenced according to § 12 RahmenO PhD (General Regulations for Structured PhD Programmes) of February 08, 2011 (Abl. 15/2011) conclude their doctorate according to the PhD regulations of November 14, 2011 (Abl. 01/2012). ³PhD students who enrolled prior to the winter semester 2017/18, and whose doctoral examination process has not yet commenced, remain subject to the PhD regulation of November 14, 2011 (Abl. 01/2012) with a transition period of four years as at these regulations entering into force. ⁴The resulting claim to a respective module and examination offer expires at the deadline of four years as at these regulations entering into force.

(2) PhD students can be transferred to these regulations upon application at the PhD Committee.

Issued based on the resolution of the Faculty Board of Faculty 6 Architecture, Civil Engineering and Urban Planning of August 02, 2017, the statement of the Senate of September 07, 2017 as well as the approval by the President of the Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg of September 27, 2017.

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As Representative of the President

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Annex: Curriculum of modules and regular study plan

A structured, research-related study programme comprising 22 semester-week-hours and 30 credit points supplements the PhD Programme. Overall, PhD students take five compulsory modules, which promote the scientific discourse between PhD students, their academic development, the interdisciplinarity of research approaches, their professional qualification and international integration.

Curriculum of modules

Module no.	Modules	Status	Evaluation	Total CP
11291	Theories / Methods	P	Prü	6
12253	Status Seminar Heritage Studies: Progress Reports PhD Thesis	P	Prü	6
12238	Essentials of Grant Proposal Writing	P	Prü	6
12241	PhD Thesis Writing Skills	P	Prü	6
12244	Research Colloquium	P	Prü	6
without	Doctoral Thesis – Dissertation	P	Prü	120
without	Oral Examination (Disputation)	P	Prü	30

P = Mandatory, Prü = Test performance

Regular study plan

Module	Credit points in Semester						Total Credit Points
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Theories / Methods	3	3					6
Status Seminar Heritage Studies: Progress Reports PhD Thesis	2		2		2		6
Essentials of Grant Proposal Writing			3	3			6
PhD Thesis Writing Skills			3	3			6
Research Colloquium	3	3					6
Doctoral Thesis – Dissertation	120						120
Oral Examination (Disputation)						30	30
Total	8	6	8	6	2	30	180