

Collaborative supervision of doctoral students at University of the West of Scotland (UWS) and Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (HAW Hamburg)

UWS and HAW Hamburg have been cooperating in supervision of doctorates since 2009. In the following, the requirements and procedures for a doctorate within this university cooperation (as of Dec. 2023) are explained.

Requirements

- Bachelor's and Master's degree
- Very good English language skills (~B2 of the European Reference Framework)
- Supervision by a professor at HAW Hamburg
- Preliminary talk at Graduate Centre (Promotionszentrum) of HAW Hamburg (Prof. Dr. Michael Gille)

Formalities of the doctorate

- Fees
 - UWS (per year)

Academic Year	Full time (3 years)	Part time (6 years)	Due date
2023/24	3.380,- GBP	1.690,- GBP	1 st Oct. 2023
2024/25	3.520,- GBP	1.760,- GBP	1 st Oct. 2024
2025/26	3.660,- GBP	1.830,- GBP	1 st Oct. 2025
2026/27	3.810,- GBP	1.905,- GBP	1 st Oct. 2026
2027/28	3.970,- GBP	1.985,- GBP	1 st Oct. 2027
Graduation fee	575,- GBP	575,- GBP	Pre receiving certificate
Additional extension (> year)	575,- GBP	575,- GBP	Upon utilisation

- HAW Hamburg: approx. 350 EUR per semester
→ total approx. 15.000 EUR (full time) / 18.000 EUR (part time) (plus travelling costs)
- Enrolment at UWS for the MPhil/PhD programme and at HAW Hamburg
- Duration
 - Full time doctorate: 3 years
 - Part time doctorate: 6 years
 - Minor extension possible (additional costs)
- Thesis as monograph, cumulative doctorate by arrangement
- Supervision Agreement between the supervisor at HAW Hamburg and the doctoral student. The Graduate Centre at HAW Hamburg receives a copy of the signed supervision agreement.
- External review and examination, i.e. reviewers and examiners are not the supervisors
- Doctorate is awarded according to the UWS doctoral regulations
- Starting dates: 1st February, 1st April, 1st June, 1st October

Procedure of the doctorate

- Search for a supervisor at HAW Hamburg
- Writing of a scientifically meaningful Exposé
- Consultation with the person responsible for cooperation at the Graduate Centre of HAW Hamburg (Prof. Dr. Michael Gille)
- Search for a supervisor at UWS (by or with prior arrangement with the Graduate Centre of HAW Hamburg)
- Application and enrolment at UWS
- Enrolment at HAW Hamburg
- Transfer Event after 12–18 months
- After 3 years (full time) or 6 years (part time) thesis submission and disputation (viva voce)

Commitments

- Annual re-registration at UWS in September (UWS online enrolment)
- Half-yearly re-registration at HAW Hamburg (before the start of the semester)
- Regular reports from the doctoral student to the UWS on the progress of the doctoral project (after 6 months, then annually)
- Participation in the compact workshop on "Good Scientific Practice" at HAW Hamburg
- Participation in at least 8 workshops and the colloquia (incl. presentation) as part of the Doctoral Training Programme (minimum: 30 points, certificate: 60 points)
- Regular updating of monitoring data using UWS's PhD-student administration platform
- Regular e-mail check on the UWS e-mail address
- Annual consultation with Prof. Dr. Michael Gille
- Regular contact with the supervisors of both universities
- 1-week stay at the UWS 1x/year (doctoral conference: 2x poster, 1x presentation)

Required documents for enrolment at UWS

- Scientifically meaningful exposé
- Certificates of academic degrees (Bachelor and Master)
- Two letters of reference
- Curriculum Vitae
- Copy of identity card

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