



PHD, SBS

DOCTOR OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE APEL.Q THESIS RESEARCH OPTION

The programme focuses intensively on preparing candidates for academic careers and to conduct highly specialised scholarly research, both in theory and application. The focus will be more on the development of new theory in psychology, sociology and cultural studies, political science and civics, and also economics.

The programme is specifically designed to prepare graduates with the ability to carry out scholarly applied research independently at the forefront of their specialised field in social and behavioural science (SBS), and become experts who facilitate and contribute to the advancement of new knowledge. Graduates of this programme are able to independently conduct, manage, and lead advanced research which contributes to substantial, new and original knowledge, and/or professional practice in the field of SBS. They are poised for upper-level positions whether in organisations, consulting or academia, and are expected to contribute towards improvement in their places of employment and to the nation.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR INTENT OF RESEARCH

Your research intent can be submitted through the application form (maximum 1,000 words) or as an email attachment. It should be in the form of a brief description of the specific research area. Some areas may require a more detailed research intent. However, projections can be further negotiated during the admission process.

If you are applying for a predefined project scholarship or a doctoral training centre programme, you do not need to provide a research proposal at the application stage, but the project title have to be stated clearly on the application form.

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RESEARCH FIELDS



Psychology

- Conversational Therapy
- Development & Child Psychology
- Psychoanalysis
- Psychology
- Psychotherapy

Sociology & Cultural Studies (SBS)

- Criminology
- Cultural Geography
- Cultural Studies
- Demography/Population Studies
- Ethnology
- Futurology
- Gender Studies
- Geography (social)
- Human Geography
- Regional Cultures
- Social Anthropology
- Social Conflict Theory
- Social Geography
- Sociology
- Women Studies

AUDIT

SUBJECTS

- Research Methodology
- Quantitative Data Analysis
- Qualitative Data Analysis

APPROACH

1. Lectures
2. Field research
3. Supervision of thesis
4. Problem-based learning
5. Research seminars/workshops
6. Colloquia Clinics
7. Interactive learning

LEARNING OUTCOME

- Produce original research at the doctoral level.
- Conceptualize, design and implement projects for the generation of significant new knowledge and/or understanding.
- Create, interpret and disseminate knowledge which extends the forefront of the social & behavioural science (SBS) discipline.
- Make informed judgments on complex issues in specialised SBS fields, and create innovations in tackling and solving problems.
- Appreciate research implications and effectively convey research findings according to SBS needs.
- Disseminate the research findings by publishing, conducting and participating in academic journals, forums and seminars, etc