



Structure, length and technical characteristics of a doctoral dissertation

I. Structure of the doctoral dissertation

Structure	Explanations and directions
Cover page	According to the annex <i>SOP_P - Sample cover</i> .
Title page	According to the annex <i>SOP_NS - Sample title page</i> .
Acknowledgements	Non-compulsory.
Authorship statement	According to the annex <i>PDŠ_Pr-4 - Statement</i> .
Abstract	In Slovene and English, 100-150 words in each language.
Keywords	In both languages 3-5 keywords.
Table of contents	By specifying the chapters and page numbers.
Index of tables and figures	By indicating the page.
Definition of the most common abbreviations	Optional, if needed.
1. Introduction	List the contents from the doctoral dissertation disposition.
2. Theoretical starting points	Give a detailed overview of selected theories, concepts and models in relation to the problem under study.
3. Empirical part of the research	Describe the research well, analyse the data, check the hypotheses or answer the research questions and discuss the results obtained.
4. Research findings	Clearly specify and substantiate the key findings of the research, the confirmed and / or rejected hypotheses and / or the answers to research questions. Also, indicate the contribution of the research to science, and the foreseeable socio-economic effects of its results.
5. Conclusion	In conclusion, clearly summarise the most important findings of your research, open questions and possible directions for further research.
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Index of annexes	List of annexes with their numbers and titles.
Annexes	Add all relevant annexes. The compulsory (last) annex is a longer abstract of the dissertation. If the dissertation is in the Slovenian language, the abstract is in English, but if the dissertation is in English, the abstract is in the Slovenian language. The length of the abstract should be about 3,000 words.



II. Length of the doctoral dissertation

The length of the doctoral dissertation (including introduction and conclusion) should not exceed approximately 300,000 characters with spaces or 50,000 words.

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