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STUDY PROGRAMME 3RD CYCLE KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

TYPE OF STUDY PROGRAMME: doctoral study programme

CYCLE: 3rd cycle

STUDY DURATION: 3 years

ACADEMIC TITLE: doktorica znanosti / doktor znanosti (English: Doctor of Philosophy Ph.D.)

MAIN FIELDS OF STUDY: Business and administration, ISCED 34, KLASIUS-P 0488

LEVEL OF QUALIFICATION: EQF: 8, EHEQF: Third cycle

MODE OF STUDY: part time

CONDITIONS FOR ENROLMENT TO A HIGHER YEAR: From 1st to 2nd year: 45 ECTS. From 2nd to 3rd year: 60 ECTS from 1st year and 30 ECTS from 2nd year.

ACCREDITATION: The program and the faculty are accredited by the Slovenian Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education ([official website](#)), which meets European standards and guidelines (it is registered in EQAR and a member of ENQA). Date of the first accreditation of the study program: 13/03/2013, date of the last extension of the accreditation of the higher education institution: 21/04/2022. Click [here for pdf](#).

ENROLMENT REQUIREMENTS:

In the doctoral studies can enrol everyone who finished a/an:

- study program on the 2nd cycle,
- undergraduate university study programme (before Higher Education Act 2004),
- study program which is evaluated with 300 ECTS for a period of 5 years (Single masters study program),
- study program for acquiring specialization and has previously finished a higher education professional program (before Higher Education Act 2004),
- master's degree or specialisation after completing a study program for a university degree (before Higher Education Act 2004),
- equal education abroad. The equality of the previous education is determined by the Commission.

For the candidates in the fourth indent, the Commission of the ISSBS determines study commitments in the range of 30 – 60 ECTS which they have to accomplish before the enrolment. For the candidates in the fifth indent, 60 ECTS are given to recognition according to law. Candidates can be enrolled in the 2nd year according to the available places and the achievement of the conditions for promotion from the 1st to the 2nd year in accordance with The criteria for transfers between study programs. More detailed enrolment provisions are determined by invitation to tender.

If a decision about enrolment restrictions will be taken, the candidates will be chosen according to:

- preliminary achievements of candidates (the average grade of study, assessment of the diploma / master's thesis) – 25%
- preliminary scientific research (research, articles, etc.) – 25%
- an interview with the candidate – 50%

SYLLABUS:

Year	Nr.	Learning unit (curriculum in hyperlink)	ECTS
1 st year	1.	Fundamentals of doctoral studies – philosophy and theory of research	15
	2.	Knowledge management – concepts and theories	15
	3.	Research Work 1 – Paper at an International Scientific Conference	10
	4.	Research Work 2 – Research plan	15
	5.	Doctoral Seminar 1	5
		Together 1st year	60
2 nd year	6.	Advanced Research Methods in Social Science	15
	7.	Theoretical Seminar	20
	8.	Research Work 3 - Doctoral Dissertation Proposal	20
	9.	Doctoral Seminar 2	5
		Together 2nd year	60
3 rd year	10.	Doctoral Seminar 3	5
	11.	Research work 4 – Scientific Article	15
	12.	Research Work 5 – Preparation and Defence of Doctoral Dissertation	40
		Together 3rd year	60
		ALL TOGETHER	180

Valid for academic year 2026/2027

Update: 7th October 2026