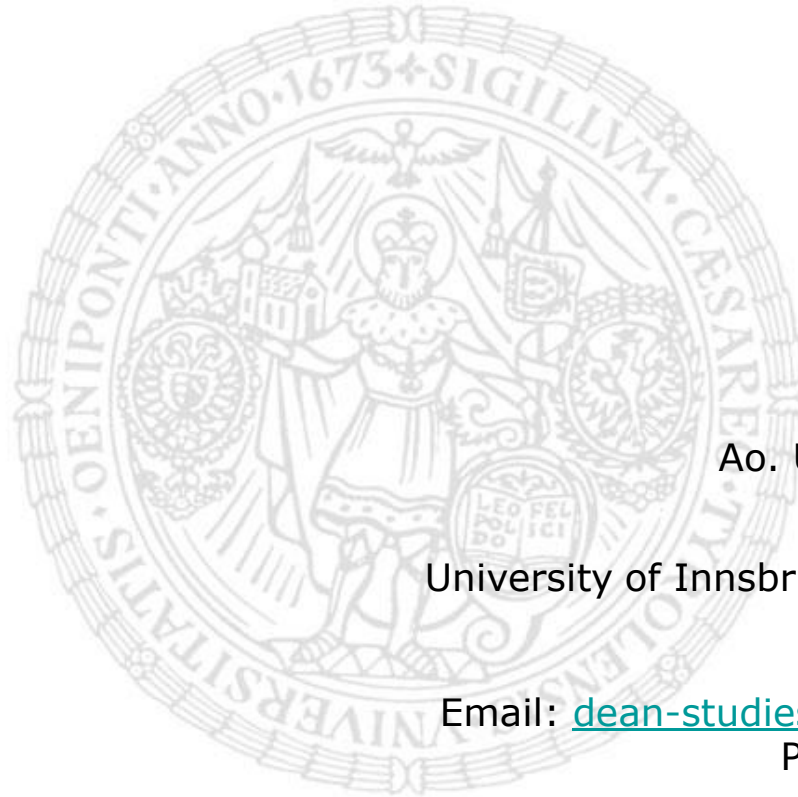


## **Regulations and Guidelines for Examinations as part of the PhD Program Management 2009**



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| § PhD Curriculum Management   | Content   | University of Innsbruck Student Statutes |
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| <p><b>§8 (6):</b> Supervision Team</p>  | <p>The Supervision Team is formed by two persons nominated according to the following rules:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) One Main Supervisor nominated from those professors at the University of Innsbruck School of Management with a post-doctoral teaching qualification ("Habilitation"), i.e. an "internal supervisor", according to § 25 (1).</li> <li>(2) One Secondary Supervisor according to the University of Innsbruck Student Statutes §25 (1) and (2); it is recommended that this person be nominated from a non-German-speaking country.</li> </ol> <p>Comment: The Dean of Studies has the right to veto the nomination of the supervision team and request changes.</p> | <p>§ 25 (1) - (7)</p>                    |
| <p><b>§ 9 (3): Option #1:</b><br/>Examination Team for dissertations based on a collection of reviewed papers</p> | <p>The Examination Team is formed by two professors from the University of Innsbruck School of Management with a post-doctoral teaching qualification ("Habilitation") according to § 14 (1). Quality assurance and international visibility are ensured by the review processes of high-quality journals and/or conference papers in the subject matter field of the dissertation.</p>   | <p>§14 and § 25 (7) - (10)</p>           |
| <p><b>§ 9 (3): Option #2:</b><br/>Compendium (Monography = Single Dissertation)</p>                               | <p>The Examination Team is formed by the following two persons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) One Examiner is nominated internally from those professors at the University of Innsbruck School of Management with a post-doctoral teaching qualification ("Habilitation") according to § 14 (1).</li> <li>(2) One Examiner is nominated according to § 14 (2) with the recommendation of an external nomination.</li> </ol>  | <p>§14 and § 25 (7) - (10)</p>           |

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| <p><b>§9 (2):</b> Examination Committee for the Literature Review Module</p>  | <p>The Examination Committee for the Literature Review Module is composed of the following three persons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) At least one person is nominated from the Supervision Team § 8 (6), which means that also <b>both</b> supervisors can be nominated.</li> <li>(2) At least one person is nominated from the research centers stipulated in the 2010-2015 Development Plan of the University of Innsbruck, i.e. <i>Accounting Theory &amp; Research, Organizational Studies and Strategic Leadership – Branding - Innovation, Financial Markets and Risk, as well as the planned research center Sciences and Knowledge-intensive Organizations (2011)</i>.</li> </ol> <p>Comment: It is recommended to elect the Main Supervisor chairperson of the committee.</p> | <p>§ 20 (1) -(2)</p>                     |
| <p><b>§9 (2):</b> Examination Committee for the Research Proposal Module</p>  | <p>The Examination Committee for the Research Proposal Module is composed of the following three persons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) One person to be nominated from the Supervision Team.</li> <li>(2) One person to be nominated from the research centers stipulated in the 2010-2015 Development Plan of the University of Innsbruck, i.e. <i>Accounting Theory &amp; Research, Organizational Studies and Strategic Leadership – Branding - Innovation, Financial Markets and Risk, as well as the planned research center Sciences and Knowledge-intensive Organizations (2011)</i>.</li> <li>(3) One person from the University of Innsbruck School of Management with a post-doctoral teaching qualification ("Habilitation") or one external examiner.</li> </ol>             | <p>§ 20 (1) -(2)</p>                     |
| <p><b>§9 (4):</b> Examination Committee for the Oral Examination ("Rigorosum", "dissertation defense" or "viva voce")</p> | <p>The oral examination committee is composed of three persons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) One person from the Supervision Team, simultaneously acting as chairperson.</li> <li>(2) Both examiners nominated according to § 9 (3).</li> </ol>  | <p>§ 20 (1) - (2)</p>                    |

# §9 (4): Guidelines for the Oral Examination



- **The final oral examination is a two-part dissertation defense with the following timeframe being recommended:**
  - Part 1: Presentation of the dissertation project with focus on the reflection of the reviewers' comments. Approximate duration: 30 minutes.
  - Part 2: Dissertation defense with questions focusing on the dissertation with respect to the reviewers' comments. Approximate duration: 45 minutes.
- Student Statutes: § 21
- Oral examinations are open to the public. In compliance with the philosophy of an open university in general and the University of Innsbruck School of Management in particular, the public is encouraged to participate.

The English translation of the regulations and guidelines for dissertation exams is intended to provide a general survey of the German original which, in its full text, forms the legal basis for all questions regarding dissertations.

