

REGULATIONS FOR DISSERTATIONS AS COMPENDIUMS OF PUBLICATIONS

1. Doctoral candidates may opt for the presentation of their dissertation in the modality of a compendium of publications provided that, prior to the filing of their dissertation, and with the express authorisation of their dissertation director or co-directors, the doctoral candidates have published at least 4 articles, that shall comprise the fundamental core of the dissertation, in accordance with the following criteria:
 - a. Optionally, a maximum of 3 articles may form part of the dissertation, which must be related to the research area of the doctoral candidate and within the ambit of the dissertation, and said articles must be published in journals indexed in prestigious international databases, or in important scientific journals or published books within the area of the Doctor's Degree Program thereof, within the period of 5 years prior to the approval of the doctoral candidate's Research Plan.
 - b. Mandatorily, after the date of the approval of the Research Plan: at least 1 article published in journals indexed in prestigious international databases of relative importance within the area of the Doctor's Degree Program thereof and endorsed by the dissertation director.
 - c. In relation to the four articles that comprise the compendium of publications, only one article may be an article review or brief report, provided that said article complies with the requirements provided for in the regulations and are published in important journals.
2. Prior to the procedures for the presentation and defence of the dissertation, the doctoral candidate shall present the Activities Document of the Doctoral Candidate (Spanish acronym: DAD) that must comply with the same requirements and obtain the same minimum grade as the rest of the dissertation. Furthermore, said DAD must contain specific information regarding the publications the subject of the dissertation.
3. To obtain a favourable report from the dissertation director(s), first of all, and, secondly, from the Academic Committee, the DAD must include the following documentation:
 - a. Copy of the published papers.
 - b. Report of the dissertation director(s) that justifies the presentation thereof as a dissertation.
 - c. Document by which the co-authors of the presented articles expressly consent to the presentation of the article by the doctoral candidate, and the declaration thereof that said article(s) have not been and shall not be used thereby as part of any other dissertations. Said document must also state that the doctoral candidate is the main author of the research presented in the articles that comprise the dissertation (the maximum number of authors per publication for the article to be accepted as a dissertation article shall be determined for each separate Doctor's Degree Program).

4. The presentation of the dissertation pursuant to this modality must comply with the indications included in the Dissertation Specifications Guide of Universidad Europea de Madrid, and must have the following structure:
 - a. PRELIMINARY section
 - I. First page that states that the dissertation is a compendium of previously published papers and that sets out the complete references of the articles that constitute the body of the dissertation.
 - II. Authorisation from the director(s) for the presentation of the dissertation in this modality, the favourable report and the authorisation of the Academic Committee of the Doctor's Degree Program.
 - III. Acknowledgements
 - IV. Dedication
 - V. Contents
 - VI. Summary/Abstract
 - b. CONTENTS section
 - I. Brief introduction / explanation of the subject of the study as justification of the dissertation.
 - II. Objectives of the dissertation and methodology applied in the published research papers.
 - III. Complete copy of the published or accepted papers that comprise the dissertation.
 - IV. If the articles that comprise the dissertation are drafted in a language other than the Spanish language, a summary of said articles shall also be included, in Spanish, even in the case of dissertations presented for the European/international branch.
 - V. Main conclusions as a summary of the articles of the compendium.
 - c. BIBLIOGRAPHY section
 - d. ANNEXES section
 - I. In the case that any of the dissertation articles are not published at the time of the presentation of the dissertation, copies of the letters of acceptance of the publications that comprise the dissertation.
 - II. Document that justifies the impact factor of the publications included.
 - III. Documented justification of the scientific importance of the publication media in which the articles have been included.
 - IV. Express waiver of the co-authors to present said publications as part of any other dissertation.
5. The co-authors of the presented papers may not form part of the panel that shall assess the dissertation.
6. The rest of the requirements regarding the management, registration, drafting, designation of the panel and the defence of the dissertation by way of this mode shall be that which has been generally established in the regulations of Universidad Europea de Madrid.

SOLE FINAL PROVISION

This regulation shall enter into force the day after the approval thereof by the Academic

Council and the Management Committee of the university and shall be applicable for the accredited Doctor's Degree programs and shall repeal the previous regulations.

Villaviciosa de Odón, Spain, on 13 March 2019