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SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE**

Regulations for Doctoral Studies

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1. Ph.D. Program of the Department of Computer Science

The Doctoral Program (DP) of the Department of Computer Science awards the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree, in accordance with the provisions of Law 4957/2022 (Government Gazette 141/A/July 21, 2022) and in accordance with the Regulations for Graduate and Doctoral Studies Programs of the University of Crete. For matters not covered by these Regulations, the provisions of the University of Crete Regulations shall apply. The program aims to train scientists and researchers capable of contributing to the advancement of research, technology, and higher education in the field of Computer Science, which encompasses the following thematic areas:

A. Computing Infrastructures

- A1. Computer Architecture and Microelectronics
- A2. Computer systems, parallel and high-performance computing
- A3. Computer security and distributed systems
- A4. Computer networks, mobile computing, and telecommunications

B. Theory, Software and Data

- B1. Algorithms and systems analysis
- B2. Databases, information and knowledge management
- B3. Software engineering and programming languages
- B4. Artificial intelligence and machine learning

C. Computer Science and Engineering Applications

- C1. Signal processing and analysis
- C2. Computer vision and robotics
- C3. Computer graphics and human-computer interaction
- C4. Bioinformatics, medical informatics, and computational neuroscience

2. Governing Bodies of the Doctoral Program

The Departmental Assembly is responsible for matters arising within the Department.

The Departmental Assembly has the following responsibilities:

- i) prepares and submits, through the Institution's Graduate Studies Committee, proposals to the University Senate regarding the establishment, amendment, or revision of the Doctoral Program,
- ii) prepares and submits to the Senate of the University the Department's Doctoral Studies Regulations,
- iii) appoints (and, if necessary, replaces) the three-member Evaluation Committee for the preparation of the doctoral dissertation, as well as the supervising faculty member,
- iv) appoints the members of the Seven-Member Examination Committee for the doctoral dissertation,
- v) oversees the proper procedure for its defense, the candidate's examination, and the conferral of the doctoral degree by the Department,
- vi) determines the language of the doctoral dissertation,
- vii) awards the doctoral degree,
- viii) approves the Study Guide, the course schedule, and the assignment of activities to instructors in cases where the Program of Studies includes a program of educational activities corresponding to at least thirty (30) credit units (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System ECTS),
- ix) submits to the Senate, with the concurrence of the Institution's Graduate Studies Committee, the Special Cooperation Protocol in cases where the organization of the Graduate Studies Program is carried out in collaboration with another Department of the University or another Higher Education Institution or Research Center in Greece or abroad, as an interdepartmental or inter-institutional Graduate Program, respectively,
- x) may, for compelling reasons, extend the maximum duration of the Ph.D. program upon request by the Ph.D. candidate and with the consent of the Three-Member Advisory Committee. The maximum duration of the extension and specific matters regarding the right to an extension are defined in the doctoral studies regulations of the relevant Department.
- xi) grants a leave of absence for exceptional reasons (e.g., health reasons, employment, military service, etc.),,
- xii) is responsible for terminating the preparation of the doctoral dissertation and for the dismissal of the doctoral candidate in accordance with the provisions of Article 29 of these Regulations and in accordance with applicable law.
- xiii) resolves problems or disagreements between the supervising faculty member and the doctoral candidate and/or members of the advisory committee,

xiv) decides on any matter not provided for by the specific provisions of applicable legislation and the Department's Regulations on Doctoral Studies.

The Department Secretariat, which is responsible for supporting the PhD program, provides administrative and logistical support for doctoral studies.

3. Learning Outcomes of the Doctoral Program

The learning outcomes of the Doctoral Program correspond to those of Level 8 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) and relate to the ability to possess specialized and advanced knowledge, understanding, solving complex problems, and developing new knowledge at the cutting edge of the field, often at the research level, with the ability to create and manage complex information, leading to original contributions.

The key characteristics of Level 8 Learning Outcomes can be summarized as follows:

- **Knowledge:** Advanced and specialized knowledge at the cutting edge of a field, with a critical understanding of theory and practice.
- **Skills:** Demonstration of creativity and the ability to solve complex, abstract problems through original thinking.
- **Autonomy & Responsibility:** Managing and taking responsibility for creating and applying new knowledge and strategies in complex environments, often in a leadership role.

Specifically:

3.1. Knowledge and Understanding

Upon completion of the program, doctoral candidates are expected to:

- possess extensive and in-depth knowledge of the theoretical foundations and contemporary developments in Computer Science,
- fully understand the advanced methodologies, technologies, and research approaches in the field,
- be able to critically evaluate international literature and identify knowledge gaps and new research directions.

3.2. Research and Technical Skills

Upon successful completion of the program, participants will be able to:

- design and conduct original, independent, and high-quality research,
- develop, implement, and evaluate new algorithms, computational models, systems, and technological solutions,
- use advanced computational infrastructures and tools to conduct experimental studies and analyze data,
- apply appropriate methodologies for experimental design, performance evaluation, and documentation of results.

3.3. Generation of New Knowledge and Scientific Writing

Graduates of the program are expected to:

- formulate original research questions and make a substantial contribution to the advancement of scientific knowledge,
- write a doctoral dissertation that meets international academic standards,
- publish their research findings in prestigious international scientific journals and at high-profile conferences,
- fully document their research procedures and conclusions.

3.4. Communication and Dissemination of Scientific Knowledge

Upon completion of the program, the graduates of the program will be able to:

- present complex technical and research concepts clearly, accurately, and with scientific evidence,

- effectively communicate their research findings at international conferences, to scientific communities, and in interdisciplinary settings,
- write scientific articles, technical reports, and documentation in accordance with international standards.

3.5. Transferable and Professional Skills

Doctoral candidates are expected to:

- demonstrate high-level critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills,
- effectively manage research projects, timelines, and resources,
- collaborate in interdisciplinary and international research teams,
- apply the principles of research ethics, integrity, and responsible use of data.

3.6. Autonomy and Professional Development

Upon completion of the program, graduates will be able to:

- work independently and proactively in the development and implementation of research activities,
- take on leadership roles in research projects and scientific teams,
- design and implement long-term research strategies,
- pursue careers in academic research, high-tech industry, or research organizations

4. Admission of Doctoral Students – Requirements and Application Process

Any individual who holds a master's degree awarded by a higher education institution (HEI) in Greece or abroad, or a graduate of an undergraduate program at a HEI in Greece or abroad, the successful completion of which leads to the award of a single, uninterrupted degree in accordance with Article 78 of Law 4957/2022.

The application must be submitted electronically in accordance with the instructions on the Department's website: Home Page > Graduate Studies > Doctoral Degree (Ph.D.) > Applications for Admission to the Doctoral Program (Ph.D.).

Along with the application, the following supporting documents must also be submitted to the system: (Files must be in PDF format, up to 2 MB in size, with a total file size of up to 20 MB):

- (1) Copies of academic degrees.
- (2) Official transcripts.
- (3) Copies of English language proficiency certificates or other relevant certificates.
- (4) Copies of research papers or a detailed description thereof.
- (5) Detailed curriculum vitae of the candidate.
- (6) Statement of research interests as a draft of the doctoral dissertation, which shall include the proposed title of the doctoral dissertation, the proposed doctoral thesis advisor, whose field of expertise or scientific work is relevant to that of the doctoral thesis to be written, as well as the subject matter to be addressed in the doctoral thesis
- (7) At least three letters of recommendation. The letters of recommendation must be written on a special form included in the application and sent directly by the authors through the application submission portal <https://postgrad.cict.uoc.gr>. Letters of recommendation are confidential and will not be disclosed by the Department of Computer Science to applicants under any circumstances, either before or after their potential admission.
- (8) Any supplementary materials that applicants deem will assist in a more comprehensive evaluation of their application.
- (9) If the application is accepted, a prerequisite for enrollment in the PhD Program is the submission of certified copies of degrees or certificates of academic recognition and all other supporting documents.

Deadlines

The Department has two application periods for doctoral dissertations: one during the winter semester for studies beginning the following spring semester, and one during the spring semester for studies beginning the following winter semester. Applications must be submitted by the deadlines for each period, as follows:

Application Period	Winter Semester	Spring Semester
Application Deadline	By October 31	By March 31

Announcement of results	December 15	May 31
Start of studies	Next spring semester	Next fall semester

How to Submit Applications

Applications, supporting documents, and related paperwork must be submitted exclusively online via the website <https://postgrad.cict.uoc.gr>, where applicants must create a user account, complete their application, upload (upload) their supporting documents, and submit it definitively before the deadline.

Letters of recommendation must be sent exclusively by their authors through the above application.

5. Application review process—selection criteria for doctoral candidates

Applications are evaluated by a three-member committee composed of faculty members from the Department, organized by application category, which is appointed by the Departmental Assembly after considering the research interests of the candidates. The three-member committee reviews the respective applications and supporting documents and invites the candidates to an interview. The interview may take place either in person or via teleconference. It then submits to the Departmental Assembly a detailed evaluation report that includes a recommendation for each candidate, proposing a supervisor if the candidate has not proposed one in their application. The Departmental Assembly, after considering the committee's recommendation and the opinion of the proposed supervisor, determines that the candidate meets the requirements for the preparation of a doctoral dissertation, it approves or rejects the candidate's application with justification.

The Department Secretariat notifies the candidates, registers the successful candidates in the Register of Doctoral Candidates of the Department and the University of Crete, and sends them the Institution's Regulations for Master's and Doctoral Programs, the Regulations for Doctoral Studies of the Department, the Code of Ethics and Good Practice, and the University's Policy on the Protection and Management of Intellectual Property, as incorporated into the Operating Regulations of the Technology Transfer Unit and as well as any other informational documents that the Department deems necessary.

The selected doctoral candidate is admitted to the PhD program with the doctoral dissertation topic that was submitted in his or her application. Requests for approval of changes, modification, or refinement of the topic and/or content of the doctoral dissertation are submitted by the doctoral candidate with the consent of the Three-Member Advisory Committee and are approved by the Departmental Assembly.

6. Duration of the Doctoral Dissertation – Progress Report

The duration of the doctoral program may not be less than three (3) full calendar years from the date of appointment of the three-member advisory committee. The recommended optimal duration is four years, and the maximum time limit for completing the doctoral dissertation is set at six (6) calendar years. The Departmental Assembly may, in exceptional cases, extend this limit for significant reasons, following a request by the doctoral candidate concerned and approval by the three-member committee and the supervising Professor. Between these semesters, students may engage in other activities, such as internships in industry or at other universities and research centers, with a leave of absence for a total duration of up to two (2) semesters, subject to approval by the Assembly. During the suspension of studies, all benefits provided to the doctoral candidate are suspended. The period of suspension of the doctoral dissertation is not counted toward the maximum duration of regular study.

The final registration may take the form of a special one-month registration that exempts the student from teaching assistant duties. Any request to take a leave of absence for a semester must be submitted at least 30 days before the first day of the semester, as defined by the University's academic calendar.

The doctoral candidate at the end of each academic year, specifically from May 15 to June 15, must present orally and submit in writing a detailed report to the Three-Member Advisory Committee regarding the progress of his or her doctoral dissertation. A copy of the report, along with a progress report containing comments from the advisor or the three-member committee, is submitted through the Graduate Studies Office to the Departmental Assembly, which approves it and files it in the candidate's personal file. Submission of a detailed memorandum is a prerequisite for the awarding of ECTS credits for the current academic year and enrollment in the next.

Doctoral candidates have up to six (6) full academic years from their initial enrollment to enjoy all the rights and benefits provided to master's students.

7. Rights and obligations of doctoral candidates

1. Doctoral studies are offered free of charge.
2. Doctoral candidates have the rights established by the relevant legal framework for graduate students, as well as any other rights specified in these Doctoral Studies Regulations.
3. Doctoral candidates retain the right to access, borrow, and use the electronic services of the University of Crete Library for up to five (5) years after the completion of their doctoral dissertation.
4. Doctoral candidates retain access to their institutional email for up to five (5) years after completing their doctoral dissertation, if they so desire.
5. Doctoral candidates may participate in research projects/programs of the University of Crete or other organizations (such as FORTH-ICS) and receive scholarships or stipends within the framework of co-funded, self-funded, or other projects/programs to financially support their doctoral research as provided for in the Regulations for Master's and Doctoral Programs at the University of Patras (Article 37, paragraph 2).
6. Doctoral candidates may provide auxiliary teaching, laboratory, or other research work upon the recommendation of their supervisor and the approval of the Departmental Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of the law and the specific provisions of the current Doctoral Studies Regulations.
7. Doctoral candidates are required to renew their registration every academic semester
8. The doctoral candidate's obligations regarding the progress and completion of the dissertation include: a) the timely submission of annual progress reports on the dissertation from May 15 to June 15 of each year, b) attending courses, seminars, or lectures related to the preparation of the dissertation and research ethics and integrity, provided that these are required by the Department's Doctoral Studies Regulations, c) the timely implementation of corrections, improvements, etc., indicated during the preparation of the dissertation and following the defense procedure d) the submission of the complete and final text to the Department Secretariat, the Library of the University of Crete, and the National Documentation Center, prior to the official approval.
9. Doctoral candidates are required to cite the Department and the University of Crete as their institution of affiliation in every publication they produce prior to the defense of their dissertation.
10. Doctoral candidates must comply with the University of Crete's policy on intellectual property management when publishing their dissertation or individual research papers. Additionally, doctoral candidates must adhere to the Code of Ethics and Good Practice as well as the University of Crete's Regulations on Research Ethics and Conduct while conducting their research and writing their doctoral dissertation. Specifically, regarding the use of Generative Artificial Intelligence (Generative AI) tools, their use is not permitted for the preparation of the substantive part of the doctoral thesis. Students must explicitly cite any use of Generative AI they have made.
11. The specific obligations of doctoral candidates during the period of writing their doctoral dissertation are defined in the current Doctoral Studies Regulations.

8. Rights and obligations of staff supporting the Doctoral Program

The rights and obligations of faculty members, adjunct faculty, and researchers supporting the Doctoral Program are as follows:

Rights

- Participation in Graduate School procedures, such as committees, exams, progress presentations, and evaluations.
- Access to information and infrastructure required for the performance of their academic and supervisory duties.
- The opportunity to supervise or co-supervise doctoral dissertations, in accordance with the institutional framework and the decisions of the Department.
- Support from the Department Secretariat and bodies on matters concerning the operation of the PhD program.
- Participation in the formulation and revision of the Study Regulations through the General Assembly or other competent bodies.
- Professional development through training activities related to supervision, academic ethics, and contemporary educational practices.
- Participation in scientific conferences and research seminars

Responsibilities

- Compliance with the Academic Regulations and the decisions of the General Assembly.
- To carry out teaching and/or research and/or academic and/or laboratory work.
- Submit and update the course materials assigned to them by the Departmental Assembly.
- Adherence to principles of academic ethics, including impartiality, transparency, and equal treatment of candidates.
- Consistent and responsible supervision of doctoral candidates through regular progress monitoring and research guidance.
- Participation in committees (three-member, seven-member) when appointed by the relevant bodies.
- Timely evaluation and provision of feedback to doctoral candidates, particularly during progress presentations and manuscript submissions.
- Protection of personal data and confidential handling of information concerning doctoral candidates.
- Collaborating with the Department Secretariat and its bodies to ensure the smooth operation of the PhD program.
- Informing the relevant bodies of any problems, delays, or issues affecting the progress of candidates or the operation of the program.

The rights and obligations of the technical and administrative staff of the Department supporting the Doctoral Program are as follows:

Rights

- to have access to the necessary information, infrastructure, and information systems of the Department
- to receive a clear definition of responsibilities from the competent bodies
- to be supported by the Secretariat and the Department Chair
- to participate in training activities related to the management of academic processes
- work in an environment that ensures respect, equality, and professional ethics

Obligations

- comply with the Academic Regulations and the decisions of the competent bodies
- protect personal data and handle information confidentially
- to carry out the administrative procedures of the Doctoral Program in a timely manner (registrations, progress records, minutes, communication)
- to support the organization of progress presentations, exams, and public defenses
- collaborate with faculty members, committees, and the Secretariat
- uphold the principles of impartiality, transparency, and equal treatment
- inform the relevant bodies of any problems or areas for improvement.

9. Providing equal opportunities

The Department of Computer Science is committed to providing equal opportunities in education and training. The Department ensures equal opportunities for admission to and completion of doctoral studies without discrimination based on gender, race, ethnicity, religion, or personal status, in accordance with Greek law.

10. Scholarships

The Department notes that a significant number of admitted doctoral candidates receive financial support during their studies. Notably, in collaboration with the Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH), many scholarships are offered each year to doctoral students as part of research projects. Additionally, the Department seeks to provide financial rewards each semester to students in the Ph.D. program who distinguish themselves through their academic performance and their teaching assistantship work.

11. Advisory Process - Supervision of a Doctoral Dissertation

Supervision of the doctoral dissertation is carried out by the supervisor and a three-member advisory committee, of which the supervisor is a member.

In accordance with Article 94 of Law 4957/2022, as amended by Article 92 of Law 5291/2026, the following may serve as members of the three-member Advisory Committee:

- a) members of the Teaching and Research Staff (ΔΕΠ) at any rank within the Department of Computer Science,
- b) members of the Teaching and Research Staff of other Departments of the same or another Higher Education Institution,
- c) Emeritus Professors and retired members of the Teaching and Research Staff,
- d) members of the Teaching and Research Staff at Higher Military Educational Institutions and Higher Ecclesiastical Academies,
- e) Researchers of all ranks serving in research and technological institutions under Article 13A of Law 4310/2014 (A' 258), including the Academy of Athens and the Biomedical Research Foundation of the Academy of Athens, as well as the scientific staff of the Hellenic Survey for Geology and Mining Research (HSGMR) under Article 25 of Law 4602/2019 (A' 45), provided they hold a doctoral degree and engage in research activities relevant to the subject of their doctoral dissertation, and Special Scientific Professionals (Specialized Functional Scientists – E.L.E.), holders of a doctoral degree
- f) professors at foreign institutions and researchers at foreign research organizations.

The supervisor and the Advisory Committee are appointed by the Departmental Assembly upon the candidate's recommendation and with the consent of the supervisor and the members of the Advisory Committee, with the responsibility of guiding and supporting the research and writing of the doctoral dissertation, taking into account the needs and capabilities of the Department and with a view to ensuring the quality of the doctoral program.

The members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee must have either the same or a related field of expertise or the same or related research work as the doctoral dissertation to be prepared. Faculty members on academic leave may be appointed as supervisors or members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee.

The total number of emeriti professors and retired faculty members participating in the Three-Member Advisory Committee may not exceed one (1).

The doctoral candidate's advisor is, in principle, a faculty member of the Department of Computer Science and belongs to the same or a related academic discipline as that in which the doctoral research is conducted. In the event that the supervisor is a faculty member or researcher falling under categories (c) through (f) of paragraph 1 of this article, at least one member of the Three-Member Advisory Committee must be a faculty member of the Department of Computer Science, with the same or a related field of expertise or with research work related to the topic of the doctoral dissertation. In addition, another member of the Three-Member Advisory Committee must be a faculty member of the relevant or another Department of the University of Crete with the same or a related field of expertise or with research work related to the topic of the doctoral dissertation. If the supervisor is a faculty member from another Department of the University of Crete, at least one member of the Three-Member Advisory Committee must be a faculty member of the relevant Department, with the same or a related field of study or scientific work relevant to the topic of the doctoral dissertation.

The supervisor chairs the Three-Member Advisory Committee.

The replacement of a member of the Three-Member Advisory Committee for the preparation of a doctoral dissertation is carried out by the Departmental Assembly following a documented justification by the supervisor. Up to one member who has retired or transferred to another Department of the University of Crete, another University, or a Research Institute may remain on the Three-Member Advisory Committee. If two members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee retire or transfer, then at least one is replaced by another by decision of the Departmental Assembly.

If the issue of replacing the supervisor arises, the preparation of the doctoral dissertation shall continue as normal, with supervision being assumed by one of the other two members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee and the committee being supplemented by a new member in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article.

If the supervisor or a member of the three-member advisory committee transfers to another department within the same or another institution of higher education or Research Institute or retires, they may continue to serve as the supervisor of the doctoral dissertation, provided they consent, and the degree is awarded by the University of Crete.

If, for any reason, the supervisor passes away, is unable to fulfill their duties as a supervisor, or demonstrably fails to do so, the Departmental Assembly may assign supervision to another supervisor, upon request by the supervisor or the doctoral candidate. The new supervisor is preferably one of the other two members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee. In

other cases, they must meet the requirements for supervising a doctoral dissertation. This provision applies accordingly to the members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee.

In the event of problems or disagreements arising between the supervisor and the doctoral candidate and/or members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee, the matter is referred to by the Departmental Assembly, which shall decide within a reasonable period of time.

Participation in the Candidate Doctoral Student's three-member Advisory Committee is not permitted for any person who is related to the candidate by blood or marriage up to the fourth degree, or who maintains with the candidate a relationship of particular friendship or enmity.

The maximum number of doctoral candidates per supervisor is set at eight (8).

12. Language of Instruction and Doctoral Dissertation Preparation

The language of submission for the proposed thesis title and the preliminary draft of the thesis, as well as for teaching courses and for the preparation and writing of the doctoral dissertation, is English.

13. Physical Presence

Each semester, doctoral candidates must notify the department office whether they will enroll or request a leave of absence for the upcoming semester, in accordance with the deadlines. Students who enroll participate in the Department's educational and research activities. The physical presence and participation of doctoral candidates in the activities specified by these regulations is mandatory. Enrolled students are permitted to have reduced physical attendance for a maximum of two semesters as part of their academic activities, e.g., internships or visits to partner institutions, with the consent of the Supervising Professor and following approval by the Departmental Assembly.

14. Mobility and Extroversion

The Department actively promotes the participation of doctoral candidates in Erasmus+ and Marie Curie (mobility for studies/internships) and other related programs, encouraging them to spend time at recognized universities and research organizations abroad.

Interdisciplinary collaboration with Schools/Departments at other universities abroad is promoted and strengthened within the framework of joint supervision of doctoral dissertations. Emphasis is placed on collaborations leading to joint publications (co-authorship) with researchers outside Greece and on participation in internationally funded research projects (e.g., Horizon Europe), often in collaboration with national partners (e.g., FORTH).

PhD candidates are encouraged and funded to actively participate in international scientific conferences, where they present their research findings, receive feedback, and network with the global scientific community.

15. Requirements for the Doctoral Degree

Each candidate must choose a subject area in which to write their doctoral dissertation. Studies in the PhD program require candidates to successfully fulfill a series of requirements related to foundational knowledge, graduate-level courses, supplementary research work, supplementary teaching work, and other activities. The requirements for obtaining a Ph.D. are:

- (1) Fulfillment of the basic knowledge requirement. Although the PhD is generally awarded in Computer Science, the dissertation is written in one of the thematic areas of Computer Science, so the fulfillment of the basic knowledge requirement refers to that area.
- (2) Completion of 240 ECTS, as follows:
 - Successful completion of at least twenty-four (24) ECTS from coursework
 - Completion with satisfactory performance of at least eighteen (18) ECTS credits derived from practical training and the acquisition of thematic experience through supplementary courses
 - Completion of 180 ECTS credits from the preparation of a doctoral dissertation, as described below.
- (3) Successful completion of the General Graduate Examinations (GGE) with a total credit load of eighteen (18) ECTS.
- (4) Submission of a Thesis Proposal.
- (5) Submit a detailed written progress report on their dissertation annually to the three-member advisory committee and give an oral presentation on that progress.

- (6) If the progress report is not submitted, the ECTS credits for the corresponding academic year will not be awarded.
- (7) Preparation and writing of the doctoral dissertation.
- (8) Closed defense of the doctoral dissertation.
- (9) Public defense for the doctoral dissertation.
- (10) Submission of signed copies of the doctoral dissertation.
- (11) Fulfillment of the program's requirement regarding the duration of the doctoral dissertation.
- (12) If the candidate fails to meet any of the above requirements, the PhD degree is not awarded and the candidate is removed from the Doctoral Study Program.

A detailed table of ECTS credit allocation follows:

Activity	ECTS	Duration
Graduate-level courses	24 (4 courses)	During the program
Other educational or research activities	18	During the program
Success in the General Graduate Examinations (GGE)	18	Within one (1) calendar year from initial enrollment (allocation of credits upon approval by the Advisory Committee)
Submission of Dissertation Proposal	90	(allocation of credits upon approval by the Advisory Committee)
Preparation and writing of the Doctoral Dissertation	90	Three (3) semesters from the submission of the dissertation proposal allocation of credits upon approval by the Seven-Member Examination Committee)
Closed defense of the Doctoral Dissertation		
Public defense of the Doctoral Dissertation		
Submission of the signed copies of the Doctoral Dissertation		

16. Basic Knowledge Requirement

Each candidate must fulfill the following basic knowledge requirements, depending on the thematic area they choose:

		AREAS											
		A1	A2	A3	A4	B1	B2	B3	B4	C1	C2	C3	C4
C O U R S E S	CS-150 ή CS-100	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	CS-240	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	CS-225	*											
	CS-280					*							
	CS-335				*								
	CS-345		*	*					*				

	CS-360						*	*					
	CS-380	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	CS-209 (English IV)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

The fulfillment of basic knowledge requirements may be achieved either through the matching and recognition of undergraduate and graduate-level courses the candidate has completed with the above courses of the Department, or through attendance and successful completion of these courses. In addition, a good command of the English language is required.

17. Courses

The graduate courses offered are presented on the Department's website: <http://www.csd.uoc.gr>. The workload of the graduate courses is expressed in European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) units.

An indicative list of graduate courses is provided below:

Code	Course Title	ECTS	Thematic Area
CS-523	Digital Systems CAD Laboratory	6	A1
CS-527	Parallel Computer Architecture	6	A1, A2
CS-529	Multicore Architecture Programming	6	A2, B1, B3
CS-531	Topics in Information Theory	6	B2, B4
CS-533	Introduction to Research on Computer Networks	6	A3, A4
CS-534	Packet Switch Architecture	6	A1, A4
CS-539	Advanced Topics on Wireless Networks and Mobile Systems	6	A4
CS-540	Advanced Topics in Programming Languages Development	6	B1, B3
HY-541	Wireless Sensor Networks	6	C1
CS-543	Software Systems and Technologies for Big Data Applications	6	B2, B4
CS-546	Types and Programming Languages	6	A2, B1, B3
CS-548	Cloud-native Software Architectures	6	A2
CS-553	Interactive Computer Graphics	6	C3
CS-558	Internet Technologies and Systems	6	A3, A4
CS-559	Infrastructure Technologies for Large-Scale Service-Oriented Systems	6	A2, A3, B2
CS-561	Web Data Management	6	B2, C3
CS-562	Advanced Database Topics	6	B2
CS-563	Advanced Topics in Information Retrieval Systems	6	B2, B4

CS-565	Process Management Systems	6	A3, A4, B1
CS-567	Knowledge Representation and Reasoning	6	B2, B4
CS-569	Human – Computer Confluence	6	C3
CS-570	Statistical Signal Processing	6	B4, C1, C2
CS-573	Optimization Methods	6	B4, C2
CS-575	Εργαστήριο Ρομποτικής Πλοήγησης	6	C2
CS-577	Machine Learning	6	B4, C1, C2, C4
CS-578	Voice Processing	6	C1
CS-580	Topics in Algorithm Design	6	B1, C4
CS-583	Graph Algorithms	6	B1, C4
CS-586	Distributed Computing	6	A3, B1
CS-587	Neural Networks and Learning of Hierarchical Representation	6	B4, C1, C2, C4
CS-588	Brain Network Analysis and Modeling	6	B4, C4
CS-590.45	Modern Topics in Scalable Storage Systems	6	A3, B2
CS-647	Modern Storage Systems	6	A2, B2
CS-672	Advanced Topics in Computational Vision	6	B4, C2, C3
CS-673	Introduction to Deep Generative Learning	6	B4, C2
CS-693	Introduction to Game Theory	6	B1, B4

18. Teaching assistantships

Teaching assistantships include all specific duties (typically lab supervision, occasional tutoring, etc.) assigned by the Department in connection with the conduct of courses, exams, and all educational procedures. Teaching assistantships are mandatory

19. Other Activities

In addition to their graduate-level courses, students in the PhD program participate in the following activities as part of their studies and fulfill the corresponding requirements:

LIST OF THEMATIC ACTIVITIES

Code	Course Title	Participation	ECTS
CS-700	Seminar Courses	Optional	3
CS-508	Technical Writing in English	Optional	4
CS-500	Introduction to Research	Optional	2
CS-600	Research Conduct Seminar	Optional	3

CS-690.[1-6]	Practical Training and Acquisition of Thematic Experience (six Assistantships)	Mandatory	6×3
CS-695	Supervised Study and Report	Optional	3

Seminar courses (HY-700) are offered by the Department on a case-by-case basis and provide an opportunity for graduate students to engage with the latest developments in various fields.

20. General Graduate Examinations (GGE)

The General Graduate Examinations (GGE) assess whether the PhD candidate has acquired the necessary knowledge and maturity to proceed with the preparation of the doctoral dissertation. The PhD candidate must successfully pass this examination within one (1) calendar year from initial enrollment in the PhD program. An extension of one (1) semester may be granted only for exceptional reasons, and only upon the supervisor's approval and submission of a request by the student to the Department Assembly. The thematic areas of the GGE are those defined in Article 1 of this Regulation.. Candidates must declare, upon registration for the semester, their intention to be examined in the GGE during the current semester.

The GGE consists of writing a report and undergoing an oral examination in one thematic area. The candidate prepares a detailed technical report that includes a review of the research area in which they intend to carry out their dissertation. The technical report must be submitted to the three-member Advisory Committee no later than two (2) weeks before the oral examination date. The candidate presents and is examined orally by the Advisory Committee in the relevant thematic area during a closed session. The purpose of the examination is to evaluate: (a) the candidate's level of understanding of the main research literature in the field, and (b) the candidate's degree of preparation and maturity for conducting research in the area.

Preparation for the written report and the examination includes the collection and study of the most significant research papers and/or books in the field, to understand the major approaches to the key research problems, the relationships and differences between these approaches, and to identify open research problems and challenges. The area chosen by the candidate—with the supervisor's approval and guidance—must be broad enough to include more than one potential topic for the dissertation, while still being sufficiently focused so as not to encompass an entire thematic field. Indicatively, the number of the most relevant and important research papers should be in the dozens rather than the hundreds.

Based on the outcome of the oral examination, the Advisory Committee decides whether the candidate may proceed with preparing the doctoral dissertation in the proposed area. If so, the candidate is designated as a 'PhD candidate' and begins the dissertation work under the supervision and guidance of the Supervisor and the Advisory Committee. In case of failure, the candidate has the right to repeat the GGE once more within one (1) semester of the first examination. If the second examination is not successful, the candidate is dismissed from the program.

21. Submission of Dissertation Proposal

The PhD candidate must submit to the Graduate Studies Secretariat a 'Dissertation Proposal' approved and signed by the Advisory Committee within a period of three (3) semesters from passing the GGE. If the candidate does not submit the proposal within the prescribed deadline, they may not register for the following semester.

The dissertation proposal must, within a reasonable number of pages and with a significant degree of detail and depth, analyze the specific area in which the PhD candidate will work and the problem they aim to solve. This proposal may serve as the foundation for the literature review section of the doctoral dissertation.

22. Terms for the Preparation and Writing of the Doctoral Dissertation – Progress Monitoring

The doctoral dissertation must be original research work, include significant research results, and contain elements that demonstrate the candidate's personal contribution to the field. The dissertation must be accompanied by an abstract (300–500 words) in the language of writing (English) and an extended abstract (indicatively 1500 words) in Greek.

- The preparation of the doctoral dissertation begins immediately after the successful completion of the GGE. The dissertation is carried out by the PhD candidate and constitutes the result of their independent research work, conducted in accordance with internationally recognized standards, current legislation, the Institution's Regulations for

Master's and Doctoral Programs and the Department's Doctoral Studies Regulations, and the regulatory framework governing the University of Crete.

- The doctoral dissertation is carried out at the University of Crete, using the infrastructure and resources of the Department and the Institution, in consultation with the supervisor. Part of the dissertation may be conducted at other institutions or research centers in Greece or abroad, with the approval of the Three-Member Advisory Committee.
- During the preparation of the dissertation, the PhD candidate must maintain regular collaboration with the supervisor and may additionally inform and consult the Three-Member Advisory Committee at regular intervals, apart from the annual report that must be submitted.
- At the end of each academic year, the PhD candidate submits a detailed written progress report to the Three-Member Advisory Committee regarding the progress of the dissertation during the preceding period and the plan of work for the following year. The candidate also reports any other relevant activities in which they have participated (e.g., poster presentation, publication, etc.). The Progress Report, accompanied by a brief evaluation–recommendation from the Advisory Committee, is signed by the supervisor and the other members of the Committee and submitted by the supervisor to the Department Secretariat, which is approved by the Departmental Assembly. In its brief evaluation–recommendation, the Advisory Committee states whether the report is acceptable or not, justifying its decision based on the progress of the dissertation and the fulfillment of any other obligations of the PhD candidate. Additionally, if the Committee identifies any issues affecting the smooth progress of the dissertation, it proposes appropriate corrective measures.
- The title of the doctoral dissertation may be modified partially for scientific reasons, with the supervisor's approval, upon a justified request by the PhD candidate and a decision by the Department Assembly. The request for modification may be submitted up to the submission of the Advisory Committee's evaluation report in preparation for the public defense of the doctoral dissertation. If the topic of the dissertation is changed entirely, the candidate has the right to submit a new application and proposal. The Department Assembly approves the new topic and the preparation of the new dissertation, simultaneously deciding on the termination of the previous dissertation. The subsequent procedures for selection and supervision follow the present Doctoral Studies Regulations, without counting the time already elapsed.
- The language of submission of the proposed dissertation title, the dissertation proposal, and the preparation and writing of the doctoral dissertation is English, with an abstract in Greek.
- On the inner title page of every submitted and approved doctoral dissertation, the composition of the Three-Member Advisory Committee and the Seven-Member Examination Committee must be stated in a clearly visible location. Further specific guidelines regarding the writing of the dissertation are provided in Article 24.

23. Internal Defense of the Doctoral Dissertation

The PhD candidate must obtain the approval of the Supervisor and the other members of the Advisory Committee during an internal presentation of their work, after having delivered to them, at least thirty (30) days in advance, a copy of the dissertation in a nearly final form. Based on comments of the Advisory Committee, the candidate must apply any corrections to the manuscript. The criteria and the evaluation procedure for the written dissertation and its oral defense are as follows:

- The criteria for evaluating the candidate's overall performance are his or her contribution to science, in-depth knowledge of the subject of his or her research, and knowledge of the broader field. Consideration will be given to the candidate's ability to present their work orally and in writing and to successfully defend their positions, as well as to the publications resulting from the research for their doctoral dissertation.
- Regarding the written dissertation it is evaluated based on its organization and overall presentation, the clarity with which the work is presented, the scientific documentation of the originality of the research in relation to other work in the same area (special attention must be given to references to the international literature and to the acknowledgment of relevant ideas and findings of other researchers), and the extent to which the final results are supported by the individual theoretical and experimental outcomes.

24. Criteria and requirements for the awarding of a doctoral degree

After completing the writing of the doctoral dissertation, submitting the final progress report to the Three-Member Advisory Committee, and successfully presenting the dissertation in a closed session before the Advisory Committee—and prior to the public defense of the dissertation—the doctoral candidate submits a request for the public defense of the dissertation, cosigned by the Supervisor. Subsequently, following the submission of a detailed report by the Advisory Committee, a Seven-Member Examination Committee is appointed by the Department Assembly. The Seven-Member Examination Committee includes the members of the Three-Member Advisory Committee and four (4) additional members belonging to the

categories (a) to (f) of paragraph 1, Article 94 of Law 4957/2022. At least four (4) of the seven (7) members of the Examination Committee must be members of the Teaching and Research Faculty of the University of Crete. The number of retired faculty members and emeritus professors may not exceed two (2). The Assembly appoints one member of the Advisory Committee, other than the Supervisor, as the coordinator responsible for the formal procedures of the candidate's public defense.

The revised version of the dissertation is sent to the members of the Seven-Member Examination Committee at least thirty (30) days before the public defense. The candidate receives comments from the Committee members, if any, and makes corrections to the content and text of the dissertation prior to the public presentation. The examiners' comments must be taken seriously, and satisfactory responses should be provided both within the written dissertation and during the public defense.

The candidate presents their dissertation publicly before the Seven-Member Examination Committee, which subsequently evaluates the originality of the dissertation and determines whether it constitutes a contribution to science. The examination procedure is as follows:

- The candidate must be enrolled as a student during the semester in which they present their doctoral dissertation, submit the final manuscript, and complete all departmental requirements for the award of the Ph.D. degree.
- The examination of the doctoral dissertation in the Department of Computer Science assesses both the content and the presentation of the work. The Examination Committee decides on the success or failure of the examination based on (a) the presentation of the work and (b) the content of the work. The candidate must pass in both categories in order to be considered successful. The public defense requires the physical presence of at least four (4) members of the Examination Committee and the doctoral candidate, while the remaining members may participate via teleconference. The defense of the doctoral dissertation by the doctoral candidate is an oral and open session and follows the procedure below, the observance of which is supervised by the coordinator:
 - The candidate presents their work for about 60 minutes.
 - Questions from the members of the Committee follow, in one or more rounds.
 - Questions from the audience follow.
 - The audience exits the room, or the public transmission of the teleconference is stopped, and the candidate receives questions from the Examination Committee in the absence of the audience.
 - The candidate then leaves the room, and the Examination Committee meets in private to evaluate the doctoral dissertation in terms of its quality, completeness, originality of thought, and contribution to science, and based on these criteria approves it by a majority of at least five (5) of its members.
 - The Committee evaluates the presentation and the content of the doctoral dissertation and reaches one of the following outcomes: (a) Successful, or (b) Unsuccessful. The Committee records the results in the official report, which is signed by all members and submitted by the Coordinator to the Graduate Studies Secretariat.
 - The Committee announces the result to the candidate.
 - If the examination is successful, the Committee members provide any comments regarding the content of the doctoral dissertation to the candidate. The candidate must take these comments into consideration when preparing the final version of the text. Depending on the nature and extent of the required revisions or improvements, Committee members may request to review the revised text or may authorize the Supervisor to grant the final approval.
 - The members of the Seven-Member Examination Committee approve the final manuscript and sign the accompanying approval form.

25. Submission of signed copies of the Doctoral Dissertation

The doctoral candidate must submit copies of the doctoral dissertation, signed by the Seven-Member Examination Committee, to the Department's Graduate Studies Office, to the Library of the University of Crete, as well as to the National Documentation Centre (digital copy). If the dissertation has been financially supported by a scholarship, a third

hard copy must also be submitted to the Graduate Studies Secretariat of the Department for delivery to the scholarship-granting organization.

In addition, the following must be submitted to the Graduate Studies Secretariat of the Department:

- i) The Doctoral Dissertation in digital format.
- ii) A sworn statement in which the doctoral candidate certifies that:

“I am the sole author of the submitted Doctoral Dissertation entitled ‘...’. This Doctoral Dissertation is original and was carried out exclusively for the purpose of obtaining the Doctoral degree of the Department of Any assistance I received in its preparation is fully acknowledged and explicitly referenced in the dissertation. I also clearly cite in the dissertation all the sources I have used and explicitly acknowledge any data or ideas that constitute the intellectual property of others, even if their inclusion in the present work is indirect or paraphrased. More generally, I hereby confirm that, during the preparation of this Doctoral Dissertation, I have strictly adhered to all legal provisions regarding intellectual property and have fully complied with the laws on personal data protection, as well as with the principles of research ethics and overall academic integrity.”

26. Quality Requirements of the Doctoral Dissertation

The doctoral dissertation must be original research work, include research results of an international standard, and contain elements that certify the candidate’s personal contribution to science. The dissertation must be based on a comprehensive, critical, and up-to-date literature review; the methods used must be scientifically accepted, documented, and reproducible. The results must be presented accurately and accompanied by substantiated interpretation and discussion of limitations. Full compliance with the principles of academic integrity and research ethics is required. The text must be clear, coherent, and follow the Department’s formatting guidelines.

The quality of the research must be sufficient to permit the publication of part or all of the work in reputable peer-reviewed scientific journals or conferences. The presentation of parts of the doctoral research at peer-reviewed scientific conferences is considered an indication of quality and international recognition of the work. The candidate is encouraged to submit papers to high-prestige conferences in order to ensure external evaluation of the research and its dissemination within the scientific community.

The candidate must demonstrate the ability to present their research findings at peer-reviewed scientific conferences, showing competence in oral communication, scientific justification, and dissemination of knowledge within the academic community. Such presentations may be taken into consideration during the final evaluation of the dissertation.

27. Reasons and Procedure for Dismissal

Interruption of the preparation of a Doctoral Dissertation may occur by decision of the Department Assembly in the following cases:

1. Upon request of the candidate for voluntary withdrawal from the Department’s Doctoral Program.
2. If the doctoral candidate exceeds twelve (12) semesters of study plus the special one-month registration, counted from the date of first enrollment, and has not received a special extension granted by decision of the Department Assembly.
3. Following a recommendation by the Secretariat after investigation, or upon request of the Supervisor, if no progress reports are submitted for two consecutive years.
4. If progress reports are negative for two consecutive years.
5. In the event of violations of ethical or deontological rules or inappropriate conduct, such as: cases of plagiarism, improper research behavior, intentional and malicious destruction or falsification of laboratory records, research logs, destruction of materials or infrastructure during the dissertation process, or any broader research misconduct that brings discredit to the University of Crete.
6. In the case of a disciplinary offense or criminal act, whether committed during the dissertation process or revealed after the defense and awarding of the doctoral title, the University of Crete retains the right to revoke the doctoral degree awarded, in accordance with the applicable legislation and relevant case law.

In all cases, the Secretariat shall send a warning letter to the doctoral candidate, with a copy to the Supervisor, informing them of the impending dismissal and the reasons that justify it. The Department Assembly decides on the possible removal of the doctoral candidate from the Department's registry in a meeting held three months after the warning letter has been sent by registered mail, based on the present regulations and considering any response submitted by the candidate to the warning letter.

28. Collaboration with the Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH)

The Doctoral Program of the Department of Computer Science at the University of Crete is conducted in close collaboration with the Institute of Computer Science (ICS) of the Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH). The collaboration includes the following:

- (1) Researchers and scientists of the ICS-FORTH contribute to the teaching of graduate-level courses.
- (2) Researchers of ICS-FORTH participate in the supervision of doctoral dissertations, following a relevant decision of the Department Assembly and approval by ICS-FORTH.
- (3) Upon request of the Supervisor and with the permission of ICS, doctoral students may have access to the technical and laboratory infrastructure of ICS, where they may conduct part or all their research work.
- (4) The Department and ICS may jointly invite professors and researchers from other Universities or Research Centers in Greece or abroad to deliver seminars, lecture series, or full courses, and to collaborate in research with researchers and doctoral students of the Department and ICS.
- (5) ICS-FORTH provides a few scholarships to doctoral candidates and financially supports collaborations between doctoral students and other universities and research centers in Greece or abroad.

29. Intellectual Property Rights

With regard to intellectual property rights and other related concepts arising in the context of doctoral studies, the University's of Crete Policy for the Protection and Management of Intellectual Property applies correspondingly, as defined in the Regulation of Operation of the Technology Transfer and Innovation Unit of the University of Crete, the University of Crete's Code of Ethics and Good Practice, the Institution's Regulations for Master's and Doctoral Programs and the relevant legislative framework.

30. Code of Ethics – Academic Integrity

Doctoral candidates in the Department must comply with the University of Crete's Code of Ethics and Good Practice.

The Doctoral Program operates on the principle that the highest ethical standards must be upheld during scientific research. It advances knowledge through original research while simultaneously promoting and safeguarding academic freedom. All academic staff participating in the Program have a duty to maintain high standards in the supervision of doctoral candidates throughout their research activities. Research misconduct is recognized as an exceptionally serious matter that may have significant consequences for the academic studies and research careers of those involved.

Research misconduct occurs when research data are falsified, fabricated, copied from others, intentionally misprocessed, or altered in such a way that they no longer represent reality or violate the dignity of individuals, among other forms of unacceptable behavior.

Doctoral dissertations, publications, and patents resulting from research conducted within the Doctoral Program must comply with the established rules of research publication and ethical standards, summarized as follows:

- a) Authors of research work, in accordance with international standards of scientific ethics, must be exclusively those researchers who have actively contributed to it.
- b) All authors share responsibility for the data presented in the publication. Every author must review the final manuscript prior to its submission and thoroughly examine all data on which the work is based.
- c) The lead (contact/corresponding) author is responsible for ensuring that all other authors receive a copy of the manuscript and consent to its submission. All researchers who have contributed data to a given work must retain these data for at least five (5) years. A laboratory notebook must also be maintained, documenting experimental procedures in detail. The supervisor of the doctoral dissertation is responsible for ensuring compliance with all the above.

Furthermore, any engagement of doctoral candidates in activities that create conflicts of interest with their departmental duties is deemed unethical—such as providing paid instruction to University of Crete students. Any unethical behavior by doctoral candidates is reviewed by the Department Assembly, which determines the appropriate sanctions.

31. Plagiarism

The text of the doctoral dissertation must be original. References to the work of other authors must be properly cited, following established academic conventions for the use of external sources in scientific writing.

Copying or plagiarism is considered a serious academic offense. Plagiarism includes copying another person's work as well as using someone else's work without proper attribution. The inclusion of any supporting material—even from the candidate's own prior studies—without appropriate citation is considered a major academic violation. It contravenes intellectual property legislation, is subject to legal protections, and may result in the dismissal of the doctoral candidate in accordance with Article 27 of this Regulation.

Doctoral candidates, upon submitting their dissertation or any other work or publication within the framework of the Doctoral Program, are required to declare that they have not used the work or ideas of others without proper citation. Specifically, together with the dissertation manuscript, candidates must submit to the Three-Member Advisory Committee a plagiarism check certificate, indicating the results of the plagiarism screening conducted using the Turnitin plagiarism detection system provided by the Library of the University of Crete.

In parallel, the doctoral candidate must submit to the Advisory Committee a signed statement confirming that the dissertation is the product of their own work and is not the result of plagiarism, either in whole or in part.

Any misconduct or violation of academic ethics is referred to the Department Assembly, which determines how the issue should be addressed and whether the case should be forwarded to the University's Ethics Committee.

32. Conferment and Oath-Taking – Graduation Ceremony Ritual and Type of Doctoral Diploma Awarded

After the evaluation process has been completed and provided that the outcome is positive, the procedure followed for the conferment and oath-taking of the doctoral candidate, leading to the award of the Doctoral Degree, is as follows:

- Submission of an application by the doctoral candidate to the Department Assembly for conferment and oath-taking.
- Submission by the doctoral candidate of the doctoral dissertation to the Department Secretariat in digital format.
- Certification of deposit of the Doctoral Dissertation in the Library/Repository of Doctoral Dissertations by the Institution's Library.
- Certification of deposit of the Doctoral Dissertation at the National Documentation Centre.

The conferment and oath-taking of the doctoral candidate as a Doctor of Computer Science takes place during a meeting of the Department Assembly immediately following the submission of the Doctoral Dissertation signed by the Seven-Member Examination Committee. The Chair of the Department publicly presents to the Assembly the relevant documents certifying the successful completion of the oral presentation and evaluation of the doctoral dissertation. These documents are formally validated and included in the minutes of the meeting. The date of the Department Assembly meeting is recorded on the Doctoral Diploma as the official date of award.

The Doctoral Diploma is awarded during the scheduled graduation ceremonies for Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral Degrees of the Department, which take place three times per year (during the third week of November, the third week of March, and the third week of July).

Below follow the official forms of the Oath-Taking and the Doctoral Diploma:

UNIVERSITY OF CRETE
SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
DEPARTME OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Mr., holder of a degree from the Department of of the University of, prepared a dissertation entitled «.....», which, in the judgment of the professors who examined it, was found to be well-composed, and he/she successfully completed the doctoral examinations. I therefore ask the School whether, deeming these sufficient evidence of the candidate’s scientific education, it admits him/her to the rank of Doctor.

I also ask the Rector whether he/she concurs with the opinion of the School, so that the Candidate may now take the Oath which the law requires to be publicly taken by those who seek the doctoral title.

(OATH OF THE PERSON BEING CONFERRED THE DEGREE)

Since the School of Sciences and Engineering, Department of Computer Science, with the assent of the Rector, has deemed me worthy to be examined for admission to its Doctors, I hereby publicly pledge the following to the School and to the Rectorate:

That I shall, to the best of my ability throughout my life, cultivate science, advance it towards perfection, and always strive to render it more illustrious; that I shall not employ it for personal gain or the pursuit of vain glory, but only in ways that promote piety, ethical conduct, and dignity of character; that I shall not, through incompetence, seek to distort the teaching of others, nor willingly teach anything contrary to what I know to be true; that I shall not commercialize science nor disgrace the dignity of the devotee of the Muses through moral disorder.

May God grant me His support in life as I fulfill this pledge.

In Heraklion, on the

The Rector
Name – Surname

The Chair of the Department
Name – Surname

The Doctor
Name – Surname

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