

Instructions for authors of a doctoral dissertation

- Title page: Title, name of the doctoral student, supervisors, year, university, faculty and the statement “Thesis submitted to fulfil the requirements for the degree of “Doctor in”.
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- List of abbreviations
- Introduction: provide an overview of the current state of knowledge in the research field and the social context / relevance.
- Objective: describe the research questions and how they were investigated
- Description of the scientific work performed. If the work is already published, this can be presented as a publication, with a short presentation of how the publication fits into the doctoral work as a whole.
- General discussion and critical interpretation including the social context / scientific relevance.
- Broad relevance of the work and future outlook
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