

## **Doctorate**

### **- For those who are admitted to the Ph.D. program with a Master's Degree**

- The PhD program consists of at least seven courses, seminar, proficiency exam, thesis proposal and thesis study provided that it is not less than a total of twenty one credits.
- In order to complete the program, the student must complete (except for the Lecture on Specialized Field) at least 30 ECTS credits in each semester and in total 240 ECTS.
- Seminar, Lecture on Specialized Field, Thesis Proposal and Thesis Study are not credited and are evaluated as successful or unsuccessful.
- Students who were enrolled before the Fall Semester of the 2024-2025 academic year and who failed any of the previously selected mandatory courses from the compulsory course package can complete their required ECTS credits for the semester by taking an elective course from the elective course package, either the same or another course, instead of the failed mandatory course.
- Students who were enrolled in the Spring Semester of the 2023-2024 academic year are not required to take any compulsory courses in the Fall Semester of the 2024-2025 academic year, except for the “Scientific Research Techniques and Publication Ethics” course,
- If not taken in Master's program Scientific Research Techniques and Publication Ethics Course is compulsory.
- If the Scientific Research Techniques and Publication Ethics Course was taken previously and is documented, one elective course should be taken instead of the related course.
- Scientific Research Techniques and Publishing Ethic Course along with seminar should be taken in the specified semester plan.
- Ph.D. students must register for Specialized Field course each semester from the semester following the semester when they are successful in the proficiency exam.
- The Education and Training Plan is as follows.

I. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	II. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	III. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	IV. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	V.-VIII Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit
Elective Courses	24	9	Elective Courses	24	9	Doctoral Proficiency	30	-	Lecture on Specialized Field	2	-	Lecture on Specialized Field	2	-
Scientific Research Techniques and Publishing Ethic	8	3	Seminar	8	-				Thesis Proposal	30	-	Thesis Study	30	-
Total	32	12	Total	32	9	Total	30	-	Total	32	-	Total	32	-

Note 1: Students accepted in spring semester take the seminar in spring semester and the Scientific Research Techniques and Publishing Ethic course in the fall semester.

- In order to take the defense examination PhD students who are enrolled in our institute since the fall semester of 2015-2016 should have at least one (1) scientific article related to the thesis published in the journals scanned by the Science Citation Index (SCI), the SCI-Expanded or the AHCI (Art and Humanities Index) or should have the DOI number for the article published in these journals.

**-For those who are admitted to the Ph.D. program with a Bachelor's degree**

The PhD program consists of (with at least forty two credits) fourteen courses , seminars, proficiency exam, thesis proposal and thesis study.

In order to complete the program, the student must complete (except for the Lecture on Specialized Field) at least 30 ECTS credits in each semester and in total 300ECTS.

Seminar, Lecture on Specialized Field, Thesis Proposal and Thesis Study are not credited and are evaluated as successful or unsuccessful.

Students who were enrolled before the Fall Semester of the 2024-2025 academic year and who failed any of the mandatory courses they had previously selected from the compulsory course package can complete the required ECTS credits for the semester by taking a course from the elective course package, either the same or another course, instead of the failed mandatory course.

Students who were enrolled in the Spring Semester of the 2023-2024 academic year are not required to take any compulsory courses in the Fall Semester of the 2024-2025 academic year, except for the “Scientific Research Techniques and Publication Ethics” course,

Scientific Research Techniques and Publication Ethics Course is compulsory.

Scientific Research Techniques and Publishing Ethic Course along with seminar should be taken in the specified semester plan.

Ph.D. students must register for Specialized Field course each semester from the semester following the semester when they are successful in the proficiency exam

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I-IV.Semesters											
I. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	II. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	III. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	IV. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit
Elective Courses	24	9	Elective Courses	32	12	Elective Courses	24	9	Elective Courses	32	12
Scientific Research Techniques and Publishing Ethic Course	8	3				Seminar	8	-			
Total	32	12		32	12		32	9		32	12

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V-X. Semesters								
V. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	VI. Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit	VII-X Semester	ECTS Credit	Credit
Doctoral Proficiency	30	-	Lecture on Specialized Field	2	-	Lecture on Specialized Field	2	-
			Thesis Proposal	30	-	Thesis Study	30	-
Total	30	-	Total	32	-	Total	32	-

Note: Students accepted in spring semester take the Scientific Research Techniques and the Publishing Ethic course in the second semester and take the seminar in the third semester.

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