

CORE REGULATIONS FOR HIGHER DOCTORATES

Doctor of Divinity (DD), Doctor of Letters (DLitt), Doctor of Music (DMus), Doctor of Science (DSc)

ADMISSION

1. Candidates must be either:
 - a. Master or Doctor of Philosophy of this University of at least four years standing from either of those degrees, or a Bachelor of this University of at least seven years standing from the award of that degree.
 - b. or, a member of staff of the University, or a person engaged on academic work within the University, or any of its recognised Colleges or Societies.
2. Candidates may be admitted to a Higher Doctorate on complying with the requirements of these regulations.
3. An applicant must be considered by the appropriate Deputy Executive Dean (or their nominee), in consultation with an appropriate academic department(s), as a candidate for the degree. No candidate is allowed to submit work for this degree if that same work has been successfully submitted, or is being submitted for any degree of this or any other University or degree awarding body.

ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS

4. The degree shall be awarded in consideration of work which is of high distinction, constituting a substantial and original contribution to scholarship in the field and which has already been published or accepted for publication, or in the case of musical compositions or documented performances, is of outstanding academic merit as judged by prevailing standards for evaluating research output. Musical compositions and performances may be evidenced through scores and/or documented recordings.
5. Published works submitted as part of the examination may be submitted as individual volumes/papers for examination purposes. However, the complete work(s) must be submitted in accordance with the "Rules for the form of Compositions and the Submission of Work for Higher Degrees".
6. The work(s) submitted will be examined by three examiners, of whom at least two shall be external examiners. Candidates who are members of the staff of the University shall be examined by three external examiners.
7. An oral examination on the subject of the published work may be required by the appropriate Deputy Executive Dean (or their nominee) after consultation with the examiners.
8. A candidate registered for a research degree by submission of published works has the right to appeal against academic decisions relating to his or her candidature in accordance with the Academic Appeals Procedures contained in Section VII of the General Regulations printed in the University Calendar.