

*This leaflet contains information on the procedures for doctoral studies. **Only the regulations for doctoral studies (Promotionsordnung) are binding.***

Oral examination

Immediately before the oral examination, the PhD thesis must be presented in public.

- Duration of presentation: 30 min.
- The members of the Examining Board each receives a printed copy of the presentation slides.
- The Chair of the Examining Board receives the presentation in .ppt, .pptx or .pdf. format on a memory stick.

In the oral examination (see PhD Regulations, Section 11) you must show that you have in-depth knowledge of the specialist field you have chosen for your dissertation. The format of the oral examination is as follows:

- Immediately before the examination the examiners will hold a short discussion lasting about 5 min. The candidate will leave the room during this period.
- The candidate should list the key elements of his/her thesis in max. 5 bullets on a sheet (4 times on paper or on a memory stick in .ppt, .pptx or .pdf format), and present them in 2 minutes at the beginning of the examination.
- The interview will last ordinary between 60 and 90 minutes.
- After the interview, the examiners will discuss the candidature. The candidate will leave the room again during this time.
- Finally, the candidate will be informed of the overall grade he/she has received.