

# Degree Conferral Judgment Criteria and Dissertation Evaluation Criteria

## Hiroshima University Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences Degree Conferral Judgment Criteria and Dissertation Evaluation Criteria

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[Doctoral Courses]

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1. In accordance with our Diploma Policy, the candidate on whom a doctoral degree is conferred shall command interdisciplinary knowledge based on global viewpoints and have capabilities and advanced specialized skills that enable him/her to independently conduct research in the relevant field of expertise.
2. The doctoral dissertation of the candidate shall be evaluated on the basis of the “dissertation evaluation criteria” set forth below, and the candidate shall present his/her research suitable for academic pursuits to a presentation meeting/screening committee associated with the relevant field of expertise, and respond logically and coherently to questions concerning his/her research.
3. The procedure for submitting a dissertation for a doctoral degree is set forth separately.

(Dissertation evaluation criteria)

I. Screening items for dissertations

- (1) Whether the candidate has acquired sufficient knowledge as a doctor in the relevant research area and has abilities to accurately understand and examine problems
- (2) Whether the chosen research theme is adequate in relation to the degree under application, and there is a clear awareness of problems in preparing a dissertation
- (3) Whether the descriptions in the dissertation (the main text, figures, tables, citations, etc.) are sufficient and appropriate, the logical composition of the dissertation is coherent right up to its conclusion, and a logically clear conclusion is drawn
- (4) Whether proper research methods, investigative/experimental methods, and/or demonstrative methods were employed in researching the chosen theme, and specific analysis/consideration was conducted according to such methods
- (5) Whether the dissertation holds unique value from the perspective of international academic standards and interdisciplinary perspectives in addition to theoretical or empirical points of view in the relevant research area

[Doctoral Course]

The Department of Management Studies of the Hiroshima University Graduate School of Social Sciences conducts doctoral degree conferral review on the basis of the following judgment criteria, and awards a doctoral degree (Philosophy in Management Sciences) to each candidate deemed appropriate.

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