

Guidelines on Positive Criteria for Determining the Doctoral Degree and the associated Quality Assurance Measures pursuant to Section 1 of the Doctorate Regulations of the Doctoral Centre “PRISMA Health – Promoting Research and Innovation for Sustainable Multidisciplinary Approaches in Health” at Deggendorf Institute of Technology in cooperation with Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences

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Preamble

Pursuant to Section 1(3) of the Doctorate Regulations (PromO), the PRISMA Health Doctoral Centre may award the doctoral degree

Dr. phil.

Pursuant to Section 1(4) PromO, the University Leadership of Deggendorf Institute of Technology, in agreement with the University Leadership of Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences and the Steering Committee of the Doctoral Centre, adopts guidelines setting out the criteria for determining the doctoral degree to be awarded and the associated quality assurance measures. These guidelines form the basis for determining and justifying the doctoral degree sought.

1. Criteria for the Award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Dr. phil.)

A scholarly research outcome must be demonstrated:

- Research should contribute new knowledge beyond the current state of the relevant research literature or provide findings of practical or societal relevance.
- The Dr. phil. offered by the PRISMA Health Doctoral Centre focuses in particular on four key research areas: biopsychosocial research, healthcare practice, research on the health professions and education, and digitalisation and technological innovation in the healthcare. Interdisciplinary and interdisciplinary research questions are expressly included.

An appropriate methodology is applied or further developed:

- The dissertation employs scientific methods that are consistent with the current state of the relevant field of research or further develops existing methods. This includes experimental, empirical, theoretical, model-based, simulation-based, constructive and development-oriented approaches, as well as combinations thereof.

2. Quality Assurance Measures for the Award of the Doctoral Degree

The reviewers must be eligible to examine doctoral candidates. At least one of the reviewers must be a member of the PRISMA Health Doctoral Centre.