

University of Bucharest
Doctoral Programme in Communication Sciences (DPCS)

**Criteria of Admission to the University Doctoral Studies Program in
Communication Sciences**

2020-2021

1. The admission of the doctoral school candidates is competition-based, according to the Admission Methodology that is approved annually and that includes updated themes and bibliography.

2. The admission to the doctoral school is organized in compliance with the following principles set forth by the current regulations:

- a) All candidates undergo the same examination procedure;
- b) Allowing the candidates to prepare for the admission competition, the doctoral school publicizes indicative bibliographies with at least six months prior to the application deadline for each admission period;
- c) Candidates are assessed by commissions set up specifically for admission purpose.

3. The admission tests consists of: elaborating a research project (the written test); presenting the project in front of the Admission commission; presenting – at the request of the commission – communication studies’ concepts and theories, based on the bibliography that was mentioned in the research project (oral test).

The project must include:

- a theoretical and critical definition of the research field;
- a circumscription of the topic within the scientific trends in the proposed field of research;
- an adequate bibliography;
- a projection of the doctoral research trajectory.

4. Applications for the doctoral school could be done by candidates that hold bachelor and master degrees in the same field or in related fields to communication studies.

5. Candidates who were expelled from prior doctoral programs have the right to apply for a new program only once, and only for fee places. Candidates who wish to re-apply for the program are

allowed to use their former grades within the on-going program.

6. Validation of the results of the admission competition for the doctoral school and the decision to enroll the doctoral students to the University doctoral studies stage is done by the head of the Doctoral School, is signed by the Dean of the Faculty and approved by the University of Bucharest rector.

7. The admission commission is constituted by the doctoral supervisors of the Doctoral School in Communication Sciences, members of the DSCS.

8. The minimum grade for admission (that is being calculated as the arithmetic mean of the two tests) to the university doctoral studies programme is 7 (seven).

9. In the event that two candidates have equal grades, the tie-breaker criteria are:

Criteria no. 1: the grade earned for the written research project, on the basis of its prior assessment by the admission commission.

Criteria no. 2: the general average of the candidate's Master programme (calculated as the arithmetic mean of their Master's grades for all the years of study and the graduation grade).

10. The candidates, that are non-EU citizens or hold Romanian state grants will refer to the department of International Relations/External Relations of the University of Bucharest, for their application to the admission competition to the university doctoral programme.

11. The candidates that hold degrees from other countries need to present upon registration, the diplomas they earned in translation as well as the certificate of recognition of these studies issued by the specialized directorate within the Ministry of National Education in accordance with O.M.E.N.C.Ş. no.6102 / 2016, art.55.

12. A person can only benefit from budget funding for a single doctoral programme.

The admission tests will take place at the administrative headquarters of the faculty.

The registration of successful candidates in the competition is made by order of the Rector.

The doctoral admission contest is valid only for the field, institution, doctoral form, the year in which it was defended.

The admission contest to the Doctoral School takes place according to the regulations in force.

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