
Postgraduate

Prospective students and fellows are always advised to **visit the website of the respective faculty**. In our **catalogue of study programmes** you will find more information about the offered study programmes including their **descriptions, admission requirements, application deadlines, and tuition fees**.

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Overview

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Doctoral programmes represent the highest level of formal education, distinguished from Bachelor's and Master's programmes by their individual focus and emphasis on independent research in a specific field in collaboration with an experienced supervisor and under the guidance of the subject-area board of academics who are responsible for running the particular Ph.D. programme. Doctoral studies prepare you for a career in research and/or for highly qualified work in a number of professions. Besides research activities, our Ph.D. students gain experience in teaching, publishing, and presenting. Our university is one of the most important providers of doctoral studies in the Czech Republic – **one in three doctoral students in the Czech Republic study at Charles University**. Therefore, we consider doctoral studies as one of our key long-term strategic priorities and focus on developing partnerships with other research institutions including the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic.

In order to be admitted to a Ph.D. programme, the **applicant must submit evidence of a completed Master's degree** in a related field of study.

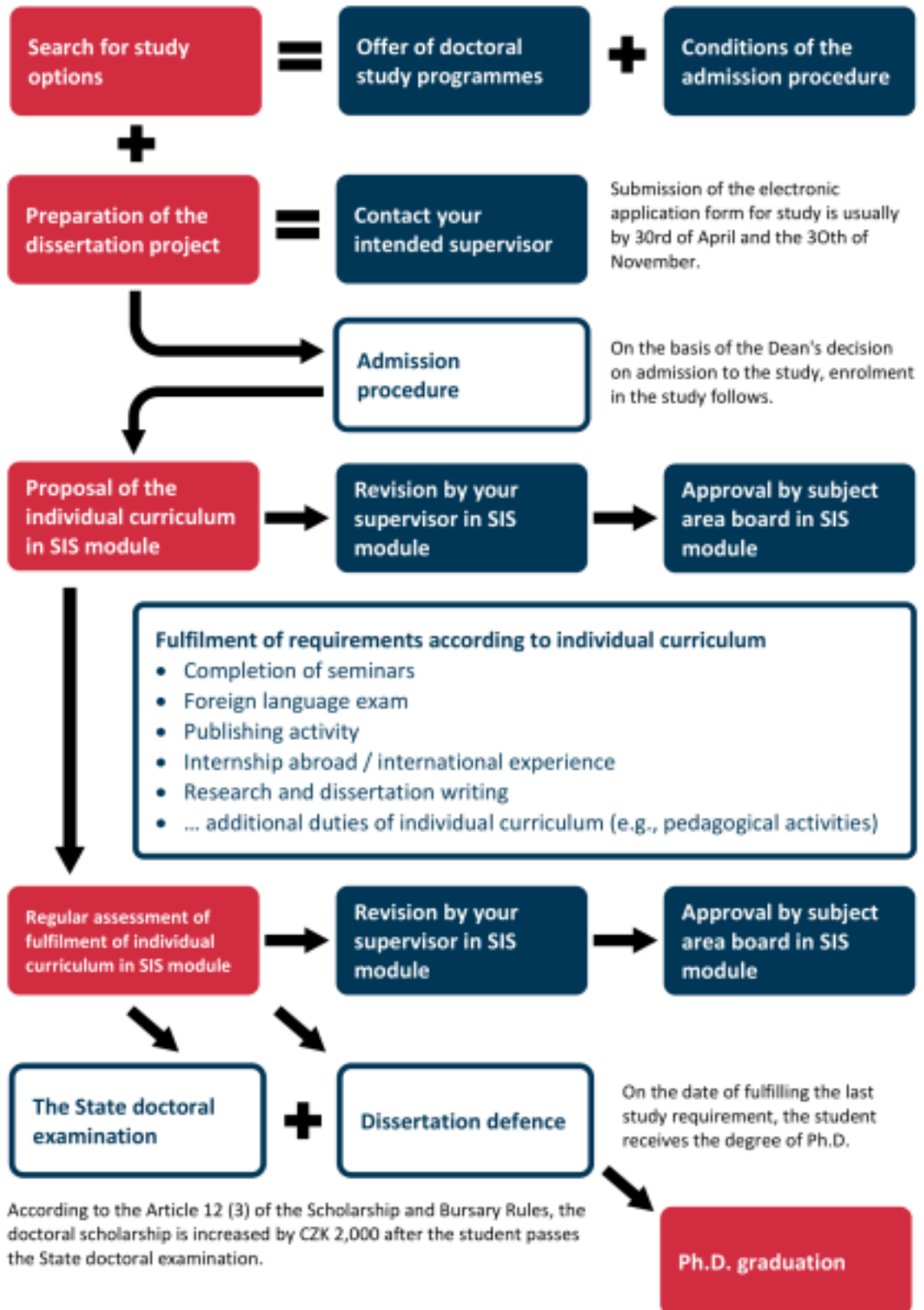
Ph.D. studies can be pursued as either a **full-time study or part-time study** (also known as “combined” study as it offers a combination of in-class lessons and e-learning). As a full-time doctoral student you will receive a monthly bursary, which is usually supplemented by other sources of income, e.g. scholarships, awards for participation in research projects or remuneration for teaching undergraduates. The amount of the scholarship depends on the faculty. Some of the faculties also offer merit-based scholarships. See scholarships and bursary rules at CU for more details. For information on governmental scholarships, please visit the website of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport. Further, you may consult the dedicated sections at the websites of Study in Prague, Study in Czechia or Charles University.

We offer more than **100 doctoral programmes**, with about 1/2 available in English, covering **13 academic fields**.

Doctoral studies are completed with a final State Examination and a dissertation defence. Graduates are awarded the academic title of “Doctor” (abbreviated to Ph.D. and written after the holder's name). In theology, the academic title is “Doctor of Theology” (abbreviated to Th.D. and written after the name).

The University's code of study and examination is further specified by our Internal Regulation.

THE PROCESS OF PH.D. STUDIES AT CHARLES UNIVERSITY



Study in English/other foreign language

There is a tuition fee for studying in a doctoral programme in a foreign language. The amount of the fee depends on the study programme and the faculty.

Application deadlines are usually either April 30 (winter intake with studies starting in October) or sometime between September/December (spring intake for the "DSP II" programmes with studies starting in March).

Study in Czech

All study programmes in Czech are free of charge. International applicants have to meet the same admission requirements as Czech students and, additionally, some may be required to demonstrate their Czech language proficiency (if they have completed their previous education outside of the Czech Republic). Each faculty has different language requirements: some require a language certificate (e.g. B1, B2, C1), some have their own Czech language test integrated into the entrance examination. For others, it is sufficient when the applicant passes the entrance exam fully conducted in the Czech language. For specific language requirements please visit the above-mentioned [catalogue](#) .

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Replacement of academic degrees

Absolvents of postgraduate studies at Charles University can request:

- **replacement of the abbreviation of the academic-scientific degree "Dr." with "Ph.D."** if they have completed their doctoral (formerly postgraduate) studies by December 31, 1998
- **replacement of the academic degree "Doctor of Theology" (the abbreviation "Th.D.") with academic degree "Doctor"** (the abbreviation "Ph.D." used after the name) if they completed their doctoral studies in the study field of theology that have been awarded the degree "doktor teologie" (Doctor of Theology, abbreviated as "Th.D.," used after the name) by August 31, 2016
- **awarding the academic degree "Doctor"** (abbreviated as "Ph.D.", used after the name) to graduates of **medical and veterinary studies** who have completed their doctoral (formerly postgraduate) studies in medical and veterinary studies by December 31, 1998

[More information on replacement of academic degrees](#)