



Structured doctoral program of the Faculty of Spatial Planning

The structured doctoral program supports doctoral candidates in their individual university and non-university career development and complements the supervision provided by the supervisor.

The doctoral candidate must complete **at least 20 credits.** The provision of credits is flexibly oriented towards achievements in the areas of subject-specific qualifications, supervision and teaching as well as transferable skills, whereby the supervisors advise their doctoral candidates on the content and weighting of the achievements to be provided. The aim is to create an individual program based on the topic of the dissertation and the doctoral candidate's previous knowledge, which allows the doctoral process to be completed in 3 years.

The supervisor is responsible for recording and monitoring the achievements within the framework of the structured doctoral program. The doctoral committee must be provided with evidence of the work completed in a suitable form.

Area: Subject-specific qualifications

At least 5 CP and a maximum of 15 CP must be earned in this area.

Creditable are:

	СР	Max. CP
Participation in courses relevant to the dissertation topic in the graduate or doctoral program	according to course	10
Participation in seminars / courses to acquire relevant theoretical or methodological skills for research (e.g. at the Graduate Center of TU Dortmund University)	1 - 2 CP according to workload*	10
Research stay at another university or research institution with report and confirmation (minimum stay of two weeks)	1 CP per week	6
Peer reviewed publications (publications that are part of the dissertation are not creditable)	4 CP per publication	8
Presentation at a scientific conference, symposium or workshop	2 CP per presentation	8

Area: Supervision and teaching

A maximum of 10 CP can be earned in this area.

Creditable are:

	СР	Max. CP
Independent teaching of a course	2 - 4 CP per course**	8
Participation in the supervision of student theses	1 CP per supervised thesis	4





Area: Transferable skills

At least 2 CP and a maximum of 15 CP be earned in this area.

Creditable are:

	СР	Max. CP
Courses from the programs offered by the Graduate Center of TU Dortmund University for transferable skills training	1 - 2 CP according to workload*	
Courses at the Center for Higher Education (zhb)		8
Courses from TU Dortmund University's further education and training opportunities		
Courses of the Research Academy Ruhr		
Participation in courses for transferable skills		
(e.g. on the topics of project and time management, academic writing, presentation training, good academic practice or equal opportunities)		
Participation in the organization of transfer events or scientific conferences according to respective work load	1-2 CP	2
Taking on tasks in the area of specialist public relations work	1 CP per task	2
Function / mandate in academic self-administration	1 CP	2

Upon application by the doctoral candidate, further achievements may be recognized. In cases of doubt, the doctoral committee will decide.

^{*} The recognized credits for participation in seminars, courses and other external events are based on the respective workload. For courses with a workload of more than 45 hours (including preparation and follow-up work), 2 CP are recognized, for courses between 15 and 45 hours 1 CP. Courses with a workload of less than 15 hours can be bundled and then recognized according to the total workload.

^{**} The recognized credits for independent teaching of a course are generally based on the credit points that participants can earn in the course. Justified exceptions are possible.