

# INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE CROSS-BORDER INTERDISCIPLINARY DOCTORAL PROGRAMME IN EDUCATIONAL & COMMUNICATION SCIENCES

DOCTORATE PROGRAMMES



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# International Cooperative Cross-Border Interdisciplinary Doctoral Programme in Educational & Communication Sciences



*„We are proud to work with professors, respected and distinguished international academics of highly acclaimed universities. Their diverse backgrounds and experiences help us to provide a truly comprehensive PhD education and give you the opportunity of receiving mentoring and tutoring from outstanding experts.“*

Doctoral Programme Director and Head of Academic  
Scientific Committee Irena Zavrl

The doctoral study programme is a three-year, part-time research programme providing the perfect fit for educational and communication professionals who want to apply state-of-the-art research knowledge and academic skills to contemporary challenges at their workplace. The programme offers a premium executive development track designed to be both academically rigorous and intellectually inspiring.







## Programme Fact File



### Degree Programme

Cooperative cross-border doctoral programme in cooperation with renowned universities

### Academic Degree

PhD in Educational & Communication Sciences (issued by Universities Ljubljana and Sarajevo)



### Programme Structure

Part-time study

### Duration

at least 6 semesters / 3 years



### Tuition Fees

Tuition fees are defined by the Consortium and are subject to change every academic year according to the tuition fees of the respective partner universities.



### Programme Language

English

## Target Groups and Entry Requirements

The International Cooperative Cross-Border PhD Programme addresses candidates in qualified professional positions, preferably with backgrounds in the educational or communication field who wish to obtain a doctoral degree based on advanced applied research.

The International Cooperative Cross-Border PhD Programme is open to applicants who

- hold a Diploma or Master's degree (5 years) or equivalent degree issued by an officially accredited university or institution of higher education (e.g. University of Applied Sciences);
- submit complete application documents including a statement of personal motivation and a description of the intended research orientation;
- have at least two years of qualified professional experience;
- master English on at least C1-level
- and successfully pass the admission process.

## Highlights

- **part-time studies** to be completed within a minimum of 3 years (6 semesters, 180 ECTS); to complete the doctoral dissertation a student may take up to five years from the date the Consortium accepts his/her research proposal
- language of tuition: **English**
- professors are renowned and distinguished academics and professionals of **highly acclaimed universities**
- individual and group tutorial **face2face sessions**
- international **research cooperations**.

## Application process

For each academic year, the application process is organized along key dates. The deadline for submission of application documents is **July 31<sup>st</sup>**, the personal interview is scheduled for September/October and the programme is due to start in November of each academic year.



## Curriculum and Exams

The total academic requirement of this Doctoral Cooperative Programme comes to 180 ECTS. These 180 ECTS comprise:

Subjects	Credits in 1 <sup>st</sup> semester	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	Total
<b>I. EDUCATION CREDITS</b>							
Basic subjects	5+5	5+5	-	-	-	-	
Compulsory subjects of the programme	5	5	5	5	-	-	
Optional subjects	-	-	-	-	6	-	
Total educational credits	15	15	5	5	6	10	56
<b>II. RESEARCH CREDITS/THESIS WORK</b>	10	10	10	10	17	17	74
<b>III. PUBLICATION CREDITS</b>	Credit points according to publication activity at the end of the doctoral programme (in total)						Compulsory
						50	
<b>Total (obtainable credits)</b>	30	30	30	30	30	30	180

The international doctoral programme will be jointly offered by university institutions internationally known for their academic excellence and holders of the prestigious accreditation: University Ljubljana, Faculty of Education and International University Burch Sarajevo, Faculty of Education & Humanities. Both partner universities are long-established high ranked universities entitled to award doctoral and post doctoral degrees and qualifications.

## Academic Degree

After the successful completion of all exams and programme requirements, doctoral students are awarded the internationally recognised highest academic degree on behalf of all partner universities.

The International Cooperative Cross-Border Interdisciplinary Doctoral Programme in Educational & Communication Sciences was submitted to the Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation Austria (AQ) in accordance with § 27 para. 1 and registered by the AQ in accordance with § 27 para. 6 HS-QSG. The registration of the programme in accordance with § 27 para. 6 HS-QSG does not ascertain equivalence with Austrian study programmes and similar Austrian academic degrees. Graduates awarded with an academic degree from Slovenia and Bosnia and Herzegovina are entitled to use it in accordance with § 88 para. 1 of the 2002 law governing universities. The academic degrees jointly awarded by the participating universities are therefore recognised foreign degrees in Austria and may be used in official documents in accordance with § 88 para. 1a of the 2002 law governing universities.

## Consortium members





## Fachhochschule Burgenland

### UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES BURGENLAND. UNITING THE EXCEPTIONAL.

The University of Applied Sciences Burgenland's (FH Burgenland) two campuses in Eisenstadt and Pinkafeld offer bachelor and master programmes in five departments:

- **International Business Relations (focusing on Central and Eastern Europe)**
- **Information Technology & Information Management**
- **Social Work**
- **Energy & Environmental Management**
- **Health**

### Exceptional Growth

A unique community of teaching staff (from the respective fields) accompanies and supports leaders of the future along their path to success – a path characterized by interculturalism, regionality, research and innovation.

### A Lifelong Network

More than 6,500 students have graduated from FH Burgenland; upon graduation they have received a diploma authorizing them to bear an academic title as well as a positive outlook for their future career.

## The Campus in Eisenstadt

With approximately 10,000 square meters of space, the Eisenstadt campus offers both auditoriums and classrooms of various sizes, plus a well-stocked library to facilitate studies. On-campus instruction is further enhanced by research in the media lab or in the market research labs. Common areas allow for short breaks and interaction with other students. A dormitory and cafeteria are located on the campus; parking is located in front of the university building. A fitness studio, stores and restaurants are within walking distance.



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