

UNIVERSITY OF BANJA LUKA  
SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY

**RULES OF  
THE AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF STUDY AT III  
CYCLE ACADEMIC STUDIES**

Banja Luka, 23 February 2023

In accordance with Article 54, paragraph (1), item (4) of the Law on Higher Education ('Official Gazette of the Republik of Srpska', no. 67/20) and Article 34 of the Statute of the University of Banja Luka, the Senate of the University of Banja Luka, at its 90<sup>th</sup> session, held on 23 February 2023, adopted the

**RULES**  
**of the amendment to the rules of study**  
**at III cycle academic studies**

**Article 1**

These Rules amend the Rules of Study at the III cycle academic studies at the University of Banja Luka, ref. no. 02/04-3.1907-6/22 of 29 September 2022 (hereinafter: the Rules).

**Article 2**

Article 3 of the Rules is amended and now reads:

'The preparation, organisation, and quality assurance of the III cycle study programmes at the University is within competence of academic/ artistic councils of the member unit of University (hereinafter: the member unit council) at which the III cycle studies are realised.

The preparation of necessary materials and recommendation of the procedures at the III cycle studies council, if established, and at the member unit council is performed by the department competent for the narrow scientific/ artistic field to which the subject matter of the doctoral dissertation/ doctoral artistic project (hereinafter: the competent department).

If the III cycle studies represent multidisciplinary studies, the council of a combined III cycle study programme is formed, in accordance with the Statute of the University of Banja Luka.

The council of a combined III cycle study programme forwards acts and recommendations to competent councils of the member unit'.

**Article 3**

Article 31 of the Rules is amended and now reads:

'At the proposal of the competent department, the council of the member unit at which the III cycle is realised makes a decision on appointment of the Committee for the assessment of eligibility of a student, a topic, and mentorship conditions (hereinafter: Committee for the eligibility assessment), which consists of minimum three professors , out of whom minimum two are from a narrow scientific field.'

**Article 4**

Article 32, paragraph (1) of the Rules is amended and now reads:

'The competent department, prior to the design of the report on the eligibility of a student, a topic, and mentorship conditions, in agreement with the Committee for the eligibility assessment, organises a public presentation of the topic and the research programme of a doctoral dissertation/ doctoral artistic project.'

**Article 5**

Article 35, paragraph (1) is amended and now reads:

'The council of the member unit at which the III cycle is realised, at the proposal of the competent department, appoints a committee for the assessment of a doctoral dissertation/ doctoral artistic project completed and for public defence (hereinafter: Committee for the assessment and public

defence)

**Article 6**

A new article, Article 39, is added, which reads:

‘An integral part of these Rules are:

- Qualification of the topic of a doctoral dissertation (Form 1),
- Report on the assessment of the eligibility of a student, a topic, and a mentor for the design of a doctoral dissertation (Form 2), and
- Report on the assessment of a doctoral dissertation completed (Form 3).’

**Article 7.**

The former articles 39, 40, and 41 are now articles 40, 41, and 42, respectively.

**Article 8.**

The Rules of Amendment to the Rules of Study at the III cycle academic studies at the University of Banja Luka are effective as of the eighth day of their announcement on the webpage of the University of Banja Luka

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