

DOCTORAL STUDIES IN LAW

During the years dedicated to writing a PhD thesis, the doctoral student must also follow a series of accompanying modules, lessons, seminars, assignments or additional courses. Alongside the thesis, these additional modules constitute the path to obtaining a doctorate.

These additional modules have the following objectives:

- to enrich knowledge and promote fulfilment;
- to encourage the acquisition of a multidisciplinary culture;
- to develop the spirit of initiative, scientific investment and autonomy with a view to professional integration;
- to monitor both investment in doctoral studies and progress in the preparation of the PhD thesis;
- to encourage integration of doctoral students into the university environment

This doctoral path will be reviewed by each department, without giving rise to a diploma. All doctoral studies must be completed for the PhD thesis to be supported. A certificate stamped by the Director of the Doctoral School of Law of the Sorbonne detailing all of the doctoral students' ECTS is awarded at the time of the PhD defence.

Without prejudice to what existed in the four Departments, this doctoral course does not apply to doctoral students enrolled prior to the 2015-2016 academic year. It will nevertheless be possible to accommodate those doctoral students who make a request by providing an administrative certificate.

1 - ECTS AND DOCTORAL STUDIES

Following the doctoral path leads to ECTS being granted. 150 ECTS are awarded for the writing of the thesis as well as its defence, and 30 ECTS are awarded for the additional modules.

In order to bring these 30 ECTS together, the PhD student will opt for proposals converging on his / her interests in the proposed offer. The doctoral student will have to gain ECTS in each of the first three categories (common core, research project, scientific culture) over the 3 years. Except for exceptional cases of exemption granted by the Director of the Department, these 30 ECTS must have been earned by the end of the third year of enrolment and are necessary for possible enrolment in the 4th year.

Participation in any training or activity must be the subject of an administrative certificate downloadable from the site and stamped by the organizer of the training or activity.

Each doctoral student must keep proof of their presence at events or activities.

2 – DOCTORAL STUDENTS RESIDING OUTSIDE FRANCE

Arrangements or dispensations worth 15 to 20 ECTS may be granted to doctoral students residing outside France in the event that their presence for study would be impossible, upon proof by the Director of the Department.

3 – WAIVERS TO THE DURATION OF THE THESIS

If the doctoral student cannot support his or her thesis before the end of his or her 3rd year of enrolment, he or she must obtain a waiver to be able to re-enrol. The administrative re-enrolment must be carried out in accordance with the rules set out by the University. Participation in new courses and activities will be taken into consideration at each subsequent administrative re-enrolment. The periods of sickness, maternity leave and, where applicable, force majeure, are taken into account to assess the duration of the thesis and may be deducted from the reference period.

4 – THESIS COMMITTEES

Thesis committees are set up to enable the doctoral student to present the progress of his or her work to the teacher-researchers linked to the Doctoral School. These Thesis Committees are set up by each laboratory or by the Department of the relevant Doctoral School and each of them is responsible for its own way of working. The laboratories report to the Doctoral School about the hearings.

5 – NON-COMPLETION

In the event of non-completion of the research work, the doctoral student must inform their Thesis Supervisor and the Director of the PhD Thematic Committee. Any doctoral student who has not fulfilled their registration requirements for the academic year will be deemed to have not completed the preparation of their PhD.

An ECTS statement will, where appropriate, be issued to the person concerned upon presentation of the required supporting documents.

PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTARY WORK

In each of the following cases, ECTS can be awarded after inspection of the relevant documentation by the Department.

STATUS OF THE DOCTORAL STUDENT	ECTS awarded per year within 3 years
Doctoral student in part-time legal work (minimum 500 hours per year) not including teaching	5
Doctoral student in full-time legal work (1607 per year) not including teaching	7
Doctoral student with teaching duties in the form of <i>vacation</i> or <i>mission d'enseignement</i> in a legal subject at the Université Paris 1 or in another University accredited to offer degrees in law	7
Regular and substantial voluntary work linked to the academic competences of the doctoral student within associations recognized as being of public utility, upon presentation of appropriate proof	2

The ECTS granted in this capacity can be accumulated, they cannot lead to bypass the rule of obtaining credit in each of the three aforementioned categories: common core, research project, scientific culture.

BREAKDOWN OF ECTS

CATEGORIES	ACTIVITIES	ECTS CREDITS
CORE COURSE <i>Minimum: 1 activity</i>	Attendance of methodology seminar	1
	Attendance of training in documentary and bibliographic research	2
	Attendance of training in office software applications and new technology	1

	Taking part in the EDDS <i>journée de rentrée</i> <i>MANDATORY</i>	1
RESEARCH PROJECT <i>Minimum: 1 activity</i>	Attendance of linguistic training	1
	Presence as a speaker at a symposium	5
	Organisation of a symposium, workshop, round table, conversation, conference, forum	5
SCIENTIFIC CULTURE <i>* 1 ECTS for a module under half a day (4 hours)</i> <i>- 2 ECTS beyond this</i> <i>Minimum : 1 activity</i>	Presence at a conference, workshop, symposium, seminar etc... <i>(Authentication limited to presence over 3 years)</i>	1 or 2 according to length*
	Specialist training (outside the domain of the thesis)	1 or 2 according to length*
	Presence as a speaker at: workshop, debate, round table, conversation, conference, forum	2
	Taking part in a summer school or a research stay of more than 15 days	4
	Taking part in a seminar organised by the EDDS and lasting more than 10 hours	5
PROFESSIONAL PROJECT	Attendance of training in the legal professions	1
	Completion of preparation for academic careers (CNU qualification, competitive examinations, etc...)	1
DIVERSE ACTIVITIES <i>* 1 ECTS for a module under half a day (4 hours)</i> <i>- 2 ECTS beyond this</i>	Attendance of other training courses or seminars (Master 2)	1 or 2 according to length*
	Publication approved by the Department	5
	Consultation at the Documentation Centre (<i>limited to 2 consultations over 1 year</i>)	2
	Proxy for doctoral students (<i>approval limited to 1 over 3 years</i>)	5
	Participation in an assignment or placement (<i>approval limited to three assignments or three placements over 3 years</i>)	1 per month within 3 months
	Participation in workshops of the Doctoral School (e.g. welcoming foreign students)	1
	Presentation of work at the doctoral forum	1

ECTS receive a bonus of 1 whenever they relate to activities carried out abroad and approved by both the Thesis Supervisor and the Department.