



## JOINT DEGREES or COTUTELLE

### PhD Students

1. For an International Institutional Co-supervision of a PhD student, the signing of a Protocol between the University of Cyprus and the collaborating institution is required.
2. A PhD student of the University of Cyprus who is involved in an international co-supervision must complete part of his/her programme at another university institution and in collaboration with the co-supervising professor-Research Supervisor from the other university institution.
3. A PhD student from another university institution who is involved in an international co-supervision must complete part of his/her programme at the University of Cyprus and in collaboration with the co-supervising professor-Research Supervisor from the University of Cyprus.
4. The candidate is registered as a PhD student at both collaborating universities in an existing doctoral programme of the University of Cyprus.
5. The Protocol specifies the duration of stay of the PhD student in each university institution. The distribution of the duration of the PhD student's stay in each institution is determined by his/her supervising professors in accordance with the scientific requirements and the conditions for the preparation of the dissertation.
6. The Protocol lists the names of the professors who have undertaken the co-supervision of the doctoral dissertation.
7. The two supervising professors jointly supervise the doctoral dissertation in accordance with the rules and regulations of each institution. They are responsible for the progress of the student's research, undertake to communicate at regular intervals and to inform the competent bodies of both institutions about the progress of the doctoral dissertation by submitting the respective reports.
8. The Protocol specifies the language of writing of the doctoral dissertation which is in accordance with the relevant legislation governing the preparation of doctoral dissertations in each university.
9. The Protocol defines the university institution which assigns the administrative and organizational responsibility of defending the doctoral dissertation as well as the university institution in which the dissertation will be defended.

10. The student defends his/her doctoral dissertation at the university institution as outlined in the Protocol.
11. The defense of the doctoral dissertation and the composition of the Examining Committee are made in accordance with the regulations of the university institution in which the student will defend his/her doctoral dissertation.
12. If the university in which the student will defend his/her doctoral dissertation is the University of Cyprus, the PhD student should have completed all the requirements for the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, such as success in the comprehensive examination, research proposal etc.
13. The Protocol contains provisions relating to the payment of tuition fees by students. It is understood that the amount of tuition fees to be paid to the University of Cyprus is a function of the number of semesters and the number of courses in which the PhD student enrolls at the University of Cyprus.
14. The collaborating university institutions agree to award a PhD degree to the doctoral candidate in one of the following ways:
  - 14.1 A common unique PhD degree signed by all the Rectors of the affiliated institutions.
  - 14.2 A unique PhD degree with two certificates (one by each university institution) with cross-reference of the partner institution or institutions.
15. In order for the doctoral degree to be awarded, the student must have fulfilled all his/her financial obligations to all the collaborating institutions.
16. The procedures for the protection and reproduction of the doctoral dissertation as well as the publication of its results are subject to the legislation of each country.
17. The special cooperation Protocol is approved by the Dean of the Graduate School, following a suggestion of the Board of the department. The Graduate School forwards the special cooperation Protocol to the Rector for signature.