

Supplementary rules to NMBU's Regulations for the degree of Philosophiae doctor (PhD) at the Department of Ecology and Natural Resource Management.

These rules were adopted by the department board in case 25/15 on 26 March 2015 and are pursuant to NMBU's Regulations for the degree of Philosophiae doctor (PhD) adopted 15 May 2014.

ADMISSION

Section 5(1). Conditions for admission

To be admitted as a PhD candidate at INA, the student must have:

- A mark of B or better on the master's thesis.
- An average mark of B or better in master's programme subjects.
- An average mark of C or better in bachelor's programme subjects.

One or more of the above conditions can be waived if there are sound reasons for doing so.

COMPLETION

Section 7 Academic supervision

- The principal supervisor is a permanent employee of NMBU and has the Department of Ecology and Natural Resource Management as his/her main employer.
- The advisory group consists of the principal supervisor and 1-2 co-supervisors.
- The department shall assess the CV of any external supervisors before appointing the supervisory group.

Section 8 Required coursework

Section 8(1). Objectives, content and scope

- Marks from all NMBU subjects must be B or better (for subjects evaluated with letter marks).
- As a rule, the candidate must have a minimum of five credits in statistics or other quantitative analysis at minimum master's level. The requirement may be waived upon receipt of written rationale from the principal supervisor.
- Ten credits minimum within the candidates core speciality area must be PhD level.



Section 9 Reporting

Section 9.1. Reporting

- PhD candidates at INA must complete three mandatory seminars during the course of the PhD programme:
 - The introductory seminar shall be held immediately following admission and prior to approval of the academic coursework.
 - o The midterm seminar is held as an evaluation in compliance with NMBU's regulations for the PhD degree (Section 9.2).
 - o The final seminar is held during the last phase of the PhD study programme.
- The seminars are arranged by FU-INA, and at least one supervisor must be present.
- The principal supervisor appoints opponents for the PhD seminars.