

CRITERIA FOR THE CO-SUPERVISION OF DOCTORAL THESES

PhD holders working at the University of the Basque Country - UPV/EHU who are not members of a doctoral programme, as well as those from non-university institutions, may be appointed co-supervisors of a Doctoral Thesis providing they comply with at least one of the following requisites:

1. They have received a positive assessment of their research activity (six-year research period) from the National Assessment Committee for Research Activities (CNEAI), or equivalent body.
2. Providing the co-supervision is carried out with a co-supervisor who has received a positive assessment of their research activity (six-year research period) from the National Assessment Committee for Research Activities (CNEAI), or equivalent body, the PhD holder in question may be appointed co-supervisor if they can accredit at least 5 contributions from among those specified below:
 - Scientific publications in prestigious journals, with a high Impact Factor.
 - Books or book chapters (excluding teaching texts, popular science texts and conference minutes) published by prestigious publishing firms with an ISBN and external reviewers.
 - Software patents or records currently in use, demonstrated by means of a purchase agreement or licence contract.
 - Directorship of research projects awarded in competitive public tenders.
 - Contributions in the field of art, audiovisual productions and design, as well as individual or collective exhibitions, award-winning works and/or conservation or restoration work.

On the basis of these requirements, in each field of knowledge the following conditions are established in relation to point 2:

- Arts and Humanities: in addition to the basic criteria outlined in point 2, when assessing papers published in scientific journals, both the Impact Factor of the publication and the criteria established by the CNEAI will be taken into account. Said criteria are as follows: 'During the assessment of papers, attention shall be paid to the means of dissemination employed, with publication in journals of recognised prestige being taken as an indication of quality. The inclusion of journals in international databases shall also be considered an indication of quality. Papers published in journals ranked highly in SCOPUS and other national databases (ERIH, DICE-CIDOC, etc.) will also be taken into consideration, along with those published in journals accredited by the FECTY (Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology)...'
- The Sciences: all contributions listed shall be taken into account, except for the last one ('Contributions in the field of art,...').

- **Health Sciences:** Of the merits outlined in point 2, the following shall be taken into consideration in this field of knowledge:
 - Scientific publications in prestigious journals, with a high Impact Factor.
 - Software patents or records currently in use, demonstrated by means of a purchase agreement or licence contract.
 - Directorship of research projects awarded in competitive public tenders.
- **Social and Legal Sciences:** Of the requisites outlined in point 2, all shall be taken into consideration save the last one, which refers to contributions in the field of art, audiovisual productions and design, as well as individual or collective exhibitions, award-winning works and/or conservation or restoration work. Moreover, the following criteria shall also be considered:
 - In the case of PhD holders from the University of the Basque Country, of the 5 contributions outlined in point 2, two at least must be published in journals featured in WOS, Scopus, IN-RECS or IN-RECJ.
 - In the case of PhD holders belonging to non-university institutions who operate in the labour field, the candidate's CV shall be taken into account, bearing in mind their contributions in fields such as innovation and development, and their experience in the field in which the thesis to be co-supervised is located.
 - In the case of PhD holders from Latin American Universities belonging to the Latin American Network of University of the Basque Country Master's and Doctorate Degrees, the candidate's CV shall be taken into account, along with their relationship and experience with the research topic, providing this is linked to the cultural context of the person requesting the co-supervision.
- **Engineering and Architecture:** In addition to the merits outlined in point 2, the following shall be taken into consideration in this field of knowledge:
 - Number of theses supervised (each thesis counts as a single merit, as with publications).

Furthermore, of the 5 contributions that the candidate must accredit, as outlined in point 2, and those pertaining specifically to this area, at least 3 must be eligible for mention when requesting the official recognition of a six-year research period.

As a transitory measure, in the case of theses resulting from doctoral programs which are now no longer run and which assigned a supervisor who no longer forms part of the doctoral programme in which the thesis is registered, the former supervisor may be appointed as co-supervisor providing the other supervisor belongs to the current doctoral programme.