
Doctoral Dissertation Guidelines for Cumulative Dissertations, Faculty 09

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and Environmental Management on 14 April 2005, last changed 10 July 2019.

- (1) The dissertation may be cumulative, i.e. it can consist of an overview and individual publications, manuscripts, and supplementary chapters integrated in the bound copy. This option is only permissible, however, if significant results have already been published or accepted for publication (at least two publications as first author in a scientific journal or series of books with scientific peer review, Art. 15 para 3). The overview is to include an introduction to the context of the topic area, a structured synoptic view of the results and the related discussion in the wider problem area, and it is not to exceed 15 to 30 pages in length. It is not to be structured the way it would be in a conventional dissertation, i.e. introduction, methods, and so on, but all methods which are important for the dissertation (not the standard methods) must be documented in detail and an easy access to source references has to be provided - possibly in an appendix that is designed as an overview. If an academic paper was published by more than one author, the individual contribution by the doctoral candidate must be defined explicitly.
- (2) The dissertation can be drawn up in German and/or English language.
- (3) In contrast, a monograph is a comprehensive, self contained and coherent paper on the topic of the dissertation