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INTERNAL REGULATION No. 29/2025

Principles of Credit Evaluation of Activities in the Doctoral Study Programme at the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin, Comenius University in Bratislava

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The Dean of the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin, Comenius University in Bratislava (JFMED CU), issues pursuant to § 33(1)(b) of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions as amended, in accordance with Annex No. 6(3) of Internal Regulation No. 21/2023 – Study Regulations of the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin, Comenius University in Bratislava (hereinafter “Study Regulations of JFMED CU”), after discussion in the Management of JFMED CU on 16 September 2025 and after approval by the Accreditation Board of JFMED CU on 18 December 2025, these Principles of Credit Evaluation of Activities in the Doctoral Study Programme at the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin, Comenius University in Bratislava.

Art. 1 Introductory Provisions

This internal regulation is issued for the purpose of establishing a system for measuring workload and evaluating the performance of doctoral students. It is based on the acquisition and transfer of credits.

Art. 2 Principles of Credit Evaluation in Doctoral Studies

1. The credit system of doctoral studies applies to both full-time and part-time forms of study.
2. The total number of credits required for the proper completion of doctoral studies is 240 credits for a four-year standard length of full-time study and a five-year standard length of part time study. This total includes credits awarded for the successful defence of the dissertation thesis.
3. In full time doctoral studies, a doctoral student must obtain at least 40 credits each academic year to progress to the next year. In part time doctoral studies, the minimum is 30 credits per year. A full-time student may enrol in a maximum of 90 credits per academic year.
4. Credits are awarded in the following areas:
 - a) study activities,
 - b) independent creative scientific work,
 - c) teaching activities at the university or faculty,
 - d) clinical and preventive activities,
 - e) other practical activities related to doctoral studies,
 - f) dissertation thesis and its defence.

Minimum requirements for the distribution of credits among these areas are determined in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Study Regulations of JFMED CU.

5. The scope of credit allocation for individual types of doctoral activities at JFMED CU is specified in Annex No. 1 of this internal regulation.

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Art. 3
Final provisions

1. An integral part of this internal regulation is:
Annex No. 1 – Credit Evaluation of Activities in the Doctoral Study Programme at JFMED CU
2. This internal regulation enters into force on 16 September 2025 and becomes effective on 18 December 2025.

prof. Andrea Čalkovská, MD. DrSc.
Dean of JFMED

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Annex No. 1

Credit assessment of activities in the doctoral study programme of JFMED CU

Activity	
I. Study Activity	Credits
Individual study of scientific literature according to supervisor's recommendations	5
Completion of the subject	
Methodology of Scientific Work	10
Basic Statistical Analyses	4
Foreign Language	10
Elective course from JFMED CU or CU	variable
Study-stay abroad	10
Dissertation examination	20
II. Independent Creative Scientific Activity	
Completion of a defined stage of own research work	5
Scientific work indexed in WoS, SCOPUS or MEDLINE	
Journal, Q1 – first author	40
Journal, Q1 – co-author	30
Journal, Q2 – first author	30
Journal, Q2 – co-author	20
Journal, Q3 – first author	25
Journal, Q3 – co-author	15
Journal, Q4 – first author	20
Journal, Q4 – co-author	10
Other published scientific works	
International journal – first author	15
International journal – co-author	10
Domestic journal – first author	10
Domestic journal – co-author	5
Active participation	
Scientific conference for doctoral students	15
International scientific event	20
Domestic scientific event	10

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Grant activity	
Obtaining a CU Grant	10
Co-investigator of an international grant	15
Co-investigator of a domestic grant	10

III. Pedagogical activities at a university or a faculty	
Doctoral student's own teaching activities (leading seminars, etc.)	10
Authorship or co-authorship in creating teaching materials and texts (presentations, handouts, etc.) – in total	10
Authorship of professional contributions (review lectures, review articles, etc.)	
<i>Domestic output</i>	5 - 10
<i>International output</i>	15 - 20
Preparation of an opponent's review for a master's thesis or bachelor's thesis	4
Supervision of a Student Scientific and Professional Activity (ŠVOČ) project	8
IV. Therapeutic and preventive activities	10
V. Other practical activities related to doctoral studies	
<i>Other activities (e.g., member of a conference organizing committee, etc.)</i>	5 - 10
VI. Successful defence of the dissertation	30