Academic calendar for doctoral studies
2017-2018 academic year

Governing Council Agreement no.118/2017, approving the academic calendar for doctoral studies for the 2017-2018 academic year

Governing Council
Barcelona, 13 July 2017
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Academic year

The 2017-2018 academic year starts on 1 October 2017 and ends on 30 September 2018. Therefore, theses deposited before 30 September 2017 correspond to the 2017-2018 academic year.

Holidays

Holidays (non-working days) are Saturdays and Sundays and the days set as holidays in the work calendar published by the Government of Catalonia (general holidays). There are also local holidays in each of the towns where UPC schools are located and periods in which UPC buildings are closed, in accordance with Governing Council agreements nos. 149/2016, of 25 October, and 192/2016, of 15 December (Official Gazette of the Catalan Government 7312, 20 February 2017).

The general holidays in the 2017-2018 academic year are the following:

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Non-teaching periods

The non-teaching periods in the 2017-2018 academic year are the following:

- *Christmas*: from 23 December 2017 to 5 January 2018
- *Easter*: from 26 March to 29 March 2018
- *Summer*: from 1 August to 31 August 2018

With regard to elections, non-teaching periods are holidays, in accordance with Article 32.3 of the UPC’s election regulations. In addition to these dates, the period from 2 to 31 July 2018 is also considered a holiday period in electoral terms only.
Theses can be defended in non-teaching periods, unless the University agrees to close its buildings in any of these periods.

Applications for admission

Interested parties may apply for admission to a doctoral programme from 1 September 2017 to 27 July 2018, in accordance with the specific admission calendar set by the academic committee of the programme.

The academic committees may rule on admissions for applications submitted for the 2017-2018 or 2018-2019 academic year, without distinction, depending on the number of places on the programme.

Annual enrolment

Ordinary enrolment period

From 25 September to 16 October 2017

The first enrolment in the doctoral programme must be done in the academic year and in the period specified in the decision on admissions. Unless otherwise stated, enrolments corresponding to decisions on admissions issued after 16 April 2018 must be done within the ordinary enrolment period (for second and subsequent enrolments) for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Annual assessment

Deadline for annual assessment: 14 September 2018
Deadline for retaking failed subjects: 14 March 2019

Thesis submission

In addition to holidays, theses may not be deposited from 23 to 31 July.

2017-2018 academic year inauguration ceremony and 2017 special doctoral awards ceremony

17 November 2017

Open day

April/May 2018 (date pending)
Special doctoral awards - 2018 call

*Publication of the call and calendar:* 1 March 2018  
*Publication of the definitive list of winners:* 26 October 2018

The awards ceremony will take place at the academic year inauguration ceremony.