



VUZF

Finance,
insurance, business,
entrepreneurship
and innovation

PHD PROGRAMS AT VUZF UNIVERSITY



We offer two doctoral programs at **VUZF University**:
"Finance, Insurance, and Social Insurance" and **"Accounting, Audit, and Analysis"**.

They cover a wide range of the professional fields of Economics:

- finance
- business
- insurance
- social and health insurance
- banking
- marketing
- accounting
- control
- audit and analysis
- financial mathematics
- management
- entrepreneurship, and everything else related to economics.

For the PhD (Doctor) degree, VUZF University is accredited by the Standing Committee on Economic Sciences and Management of the National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency – NEAA, which is a full member of the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education ENQA and a full member of the European Register of Quality Assurance of Higher Education EQAR. A PhD diploma obtained at VUZF University is recognized all over the world.

VUZF UNIVERSITY OFFERS PHD TRAINING IN AN INDIVIDUAL FORM OF STUDY FOR:



PhD students - an enrollment requirement is a draft of a dissertation to be submitted



PhD candidates - without a draft of dissertation

In the second case, the PhD-candidate receives methodological assistance from a scientific counselor to prepare a dissertation draft. After approval of the draft, the PhD candidate is enrolled in a doctoral program as a PhD student.



APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Admission to PhD programs at VUZF University is open to Bulgarian and foreign citizens, holders of a Master's degree diploma, without age restrictions.

The forms of studying are:

- **Individual** - admission without competition, all year round
- **Full-time/part-time** - admission by competition and entry examinations



ADMISSION PROCEDURE IN INDIVIDUAL FORM – FOR CANDIDATES WHO HAVE A DRAFT DISSERTATION OF A MINIMUM 60 PAGES

1. Preparation of documents – APPLICATION to the Rector
2. Submission of the documents to the Centre for Doctoral Studies and Academic Development.
3. Verification of the Master's degree diploma and the academic transcript at NACID if the applicant is a graduate of a foreign university.
4. Signing of a training agreement.
5. Discussion of the draft of the dissertation in the relevant department.
6. The Doctoral Programs Board approves the topic, the supervisor, and an individual study plan.
7. Order of the Rector for enrolment in a doctoral program of an individual form of study.
8. The training begins.

*VUZF University also accepts PhD-candidates – applicants who do not have draft dissertations. Such candidates receive methodological assistance from a scientific counselor in order to prepare a draft. After approval of the draft, they are enrolled in doctoral studies in an individual form.



ADMISSION PROCEDURE FOR PHD-CANDIDATES

1. Preparation of documents – APPLICATION to the Rector
2. Submission of documents to the Research and Doctoral Training Center.
3. Verification of the Master's degree diploma and the academic transcript at NACID if the applicant is a graduate of a foreign university.
4. Signing an agreement for counseling and methodological assistance.
5. Discussion in the Doctoral Programs Board and appointment of a scientific counselor.
6. Order of the Rector for admission for a PhD-candidate.



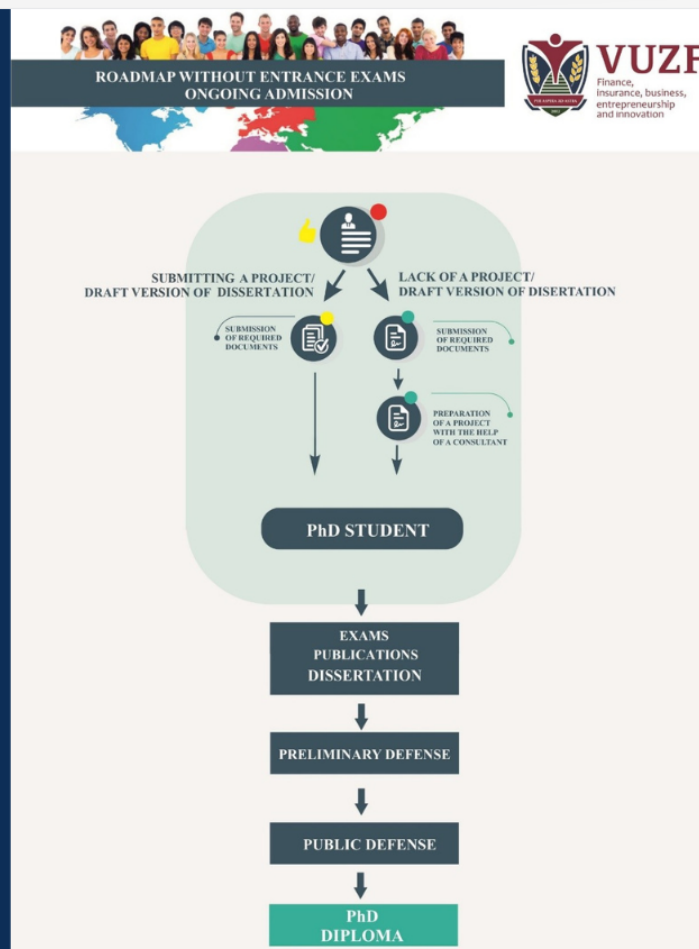
PHD STUDIES

A PhD Program takes up to 3 years. What you will do during the doctoral studies:

- Study of literary sources
- Collection and processing of empirical information
- Passing doctoral exams (three exams – two basic disciplines and one elective or one specialized discipline with a thematic focus on the dissertation)
- Preparation of scientific publications
- Completion of the dissertation
- Procedure for acquiring the educational and scientific degree "Doctor":

1. Preliminary discussion of the dissertation in the department.

2. Public defense of the dissertation. After a successful official defense of the dissertation in front of a scientific jury, the doctoral student is awarded the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" (PhD) in professional field 3.8. Economics.





FEES

Annual Fees for PhD students:

- **English language of study – 3200 EUR**

PhD students have the opportunity to pay the fees in installments after approval.

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