

REGULATIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT OF UNIVERSITY DOCTORAL STUDIES IN THE INTERDISCIPLINARY DOCTORAL SCHOOL FROM THE FRAMEWORK OF IOSUD – UNIVERSITY OF PITEŞTI

I. GENERAL FRAMEWORK

Art. 1. The Regulation on the organization and functioning of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School of the University of Piteşti defines the rules that underlie the organization and functioning of this academic structure, in accordance with:

1. Law No. 1/2011 on National Education, amended and supplemented, section 12 – doctoral studies;
2. Government Decision No. 681/2011 on the Code of Doctoral Studies, amended and supplemented;
3. Regulations for the organization and conduct of doctoral studies within the IOSUD – University of Piteşti, approved in the Senate meeting of 21.01.2019;
4. Details regarding the doctoral supervisor and the guidance committee, the Government Decision No. 681/2011;
5. Order of the Minister of Education 3322/24.02.2021, published in the Official Gazette no. 208 of March 2, 2021, regarding the establishment and use of the fund for financing special situations that cannot be integrated into the financing formula of state higher education institutions, for the year 2021;
6. Order of the Minister of Education 3321, published in the Official Gazette no. 933 of 08.03.2021, regarding the Methodology for allocating budgetary funds for basic financing and additional financing of state higher education institutions in Romania for 2021, Annex 2 to methodology;
7. The procedure for preparing the necessary documents for the public defense of the doctoral thesis and submitting the file to the MEN - CNATDCU, approved with number 324 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Piteşti, dated December 19, 2016;
8. Methodology regarding the organization of the admission competition to doctoral programs within UPIT 2020-2021, approved with number 51 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Piteşti, of March 30, 2020;
9. Methodology for completing doctoral studies and defending the doctoral thesis at the University of Piteşti, approved at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Piteşti, on September 21, 2019;
10. Methodology regarding the organization of the completion of doctoral studies and defense of the doctoral thesis within UPIT 2019-2020, approved with number 52 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Piteşti, of March 30, 2020;
11. Regulation on professional activities of doctoral university studies, approved with number 324 in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Piteşti, of December 19, 2016;
13. Order of the Minister of Education 3651/12.04.2021, published in the Official Gazette no. 414 of April 20, 2021, regarding the approval of the Methodology for the evaluation of doctoral studies and the systems of criteria, standards and performance indicators used in the evaluation;
14. Law No. 87/2006 on quality assurance in education;

15. Ministerial Order No. 3482/2016 on the approval of the Regulation on the organization and functioning of the National Council for the Attestation of University Titles, Diplomas and Certificates;
16. Law no. 288/2004 on the organization of university studies, with amendments and subsequent additions;
17. Law no. 224/2005 amending art. 5 of Government Emergency Ordinance no. 133/2000 regarding state university and postgraduate education, with fees, in excess of places financed from the state budget;
18. Order of the Minister of Education and Research No. 3617/2005 on the generalized application of ECTS;
19. Order of the Minister of Education, Research, Youth and Sports no. 3666/2012 regarding approval of the Code of Student Rights and Obligations;
20. Government Decision No. 134/2016 amending and supplementing the Code of Doctoral Studies, approved by Government Decision No. 681/2011;
21. Order of the Minister of National Education 651/2014 for the approval of the Methodology regarding the academic mobility of students;
22. The methodology of schooling Romanians everywhere, in education in Romania;
23. External evaluation methodology, standards, reference standards and list of performance indicators of ARACIS;
24. Charter of the University of Pitești;
25. UPIT Quality Manual – MC – 01;
26. Regulation on the application of the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) at the University of Pitești, approved at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, of December 16, 2019;
27. Order of the Minister of National Education and Scientific Research No. 6129/2016 on the approval of the minimum necessary and mandatory standards for the award of teaching titles in higher education, professional research and development degrees, the quality of doctoral supervisor and the habilitation certificate;
28. Law 49/2013 amending art. 12 of Law no. 288/2004 on the organization of university studies;
29. Methodology regarding the internal evaluation of the performance of doctoral supervisors in doctoral schools, approved in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on September 21, 2019;
30. Self-evaluation methodology of the activity within IOSUD – University of Pitești, approved at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on September 21, 2019;
31. Regulation on professional activities of doctoral studies, approved in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on January 21, 2019;
32. The procedure regarding the “preventive electronic anti-plagiarism control of doctoral theses” in the University of Pitești, approved in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on January 21, 2019;
33. Procedure for encouraging performance in student research activity doctoral students, approved in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on January 16, 2019;
34. Procedure regarding the automatic recognition within the University of Pitești (UPit) of the doctoral diploma and the title of doctor in sciences or in a professional field, obtained abroad, approved in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, of October 28, 2019;
35. Operational procedure regarding the automatic recognition by the University of Pitești of the quality of doctoral supervisor obtained in accredited higher education institutions abroad, approved at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, of September 30, 2019;
36. Methodology regarding the organization and conduct of the selection and election process of the management structures of the Doctoral Schools within IOSUD - University of Pitești,

approved with number 31 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, of March 29, 2021;

37. Methodology regarding the organization and conduct of the admission competition to doctoral university study programs within the Doctoral Schools of the University of Pitești in the academic year 2021-2022, approved with number 43 in the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on April 26, 2021.

38. Methodology for completing doctoral studies and defending the doctoral thesis within the University of Pitești, including in emergency situations, approved with number 64 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, on May 18, 2020;

39. Methodology regarding the defense of the habilitation thesis and affiliation to a doctoral school within the University of Pitești, including in emergency situations, approved with number 215 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, of December 14, 2020;

40. Methodology regarding the support of exams, research projects and reports for doctoral studies at the University of Pitești, including in emergency situations, approved with number 82 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, of May 25, 2020;

41. Methodology for completing doctoral studies and defending the doctoral thesis at the University of Pitești, including in emergency situations, approved with number 21 at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești, dated February 19, 2021.

Art. 2. – (1) The Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești coordinates the activity of doctoral supervisors and doctoral students in the fields of Engineering Mechanics, Industrial Engineering, Materials Engineering, Electronic Engineering, Telecommunications and Information Technologies, Mathematics, Computer Science and Biology

(2) The decisions of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești become mandatory after their approval.

Art. 3. The Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești is a deliberative body made up of teaching staff and doctoral research supervisors within it, as well as a representative of doctoral students.

II. STRUCTURE OF THE INTERDISCIPLINARY DOCTORAL SCHOOL WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF IOSUD – UNIVERSITY OF PITEȘTI

Art. 4. Functional structure of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești is the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

Art. 5. The Director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School is appointed for a period of 5 years.

Art. 6. (i) Members of the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School (two leading members doctoral supervisors within the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, to which is added the director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School and a representative of the doctoral students) are elected by universal, direct, secret and equal vote of the doctoral supervisors within the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, respectively by universal, direct, secret and equal vote of the doctoral students within the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School. The term of office of the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School is 5 years.

(ii) The election of members of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School Council is based on the Methodology for organizing elections and designating members of the Council for University Doctoral Studies (CSUD) at IOSUD - University of Pitești, approved at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești on January 21, 2019, in conjunction with the Methodology for organizing and conducting the selection and election process of the management structures of doctoral schools within IOSUD - University of Pitești, approved at the meeting of the Senate of the University of Pitești on March 29, 2021.

Art. 7. The Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești has the following responsibilities:

- a) convenes the plenary session of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești in ordinary or extraordinary meetings;
- b) ensures the proper conduct of the work of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești;
- c) defines the mission and objectives of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești;
- d) approves and ensures the implementation of the strategic and operational plan of the Doctoral School Interdisciplinary within IOSUD – University of Pitești;
- e) approves training programs based on advanced university studies and individual scientific research programs;
- f) analyzes the structure of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești and proposes possible changes to this structure;
- g) establishes the criteria for granting scholarships and other material and moral incentives for the entire community of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești;
- h) proposes to the Senate the tuition figures for the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești;
- i) approves the enrollment and expulsion of students in and from the Doctoral School Interdisciplinary within IOSUD – University of Pitești;
- j) proposes sanctions and rewards for the staff of the Doctoral School Interdisciplinary within IOSUD – University of Pitești;
- k) initiates collaboration with partners from the country and abroad;
- l) prepares the annual activity report.

Art. 8. The Director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești has the following duties:

- a) signs the decisions of the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD University of Pitești regarding:
 - 1) the advanced training programs and scientific research programs of each doctoral student,
 - 2) study contracts between doctoral students in the fields managed by the Interdisciplinary School and IOSUD – University of Pitești,
 - 3) international doctoral collaboration contracts,
 - 4) members of the committees for the public defense of doctoral theses,
 - 5) certificate of graduation from the university-based training program advanced within doctoral university studies,
 - 6) annual report of the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești;
- b) represents the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești in relation to any entity in the country and abroad;
- c) prepares the annual activity report and presents it for approval to the plenary session of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

III. FUNCTIONING OF THE INTERDISCIPLINARY DOCTORAL SCHOOL WITHIN THE IOSUD – UNIVERSITY OF PITEȘTI

Art. 9. – (1) Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești meets in sessions whenever necessary.

(2) Convocation of the members of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD The University of Pitești is made by the Director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School (telephone, e-mail, etc.).

(3) Meetings and materials that need to be debated are announced at least one week before the meetings.

(4) The agenda of the meetings is established by the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School of within IOSUD - University of Pitești but can be completed, upon request, at the beginning of the meeting.

Art. 10. – (1) Acceptance of new doctoral supervisors within the Doctoral School Interdisciplinary is done on the basis of a file that will include at least the following:

a) request addressed to the director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School;

b) CV;

c) proof of holding the quality of doctoral supervisor in one of the fields managed by the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School;

d) list of significant works (minimum 5 works in the last 5 years);

e) the form of meeting the minimum CNATDCU criteria for obtaining the certificate of qualification in the field, in force on the date of submission of the application;

f) copy of the identity document;

g) copy of the doctor's diploma;

h) summary of the habilitation thesis (if applicable) / scientific career development plan.

(2) The Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School studies the candidate's file and proposes approval or rejection of the application for affiliation to the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

(3) The file with the acceptance or rejection resolution is submitted to the CSUD.

(4) The Senate of the University of Pitești, based on the submitted documents, decides to accept the candidate's affiliation to the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

(5) The affiliation becomes effective starting from the date of its approval by the Senate of the University of Pitești.

Art. 11. A doctoral supervisor may be removed from membership of the School Interdisciplinary Doctorates in the following situations:

a) at his request;

b) following a decision of the Ethics Committee of the University of Pitești, a decision validated by Senate of the University of Pitești and remained final;

c) as a result of a final decision of the management of the University of Pitești, the Ministry of Education or CNATDCU.

Art. 12. – (1) The structure and content of the training program based on advanced university studies are established by the Doctoral School Council, at the beginning of each academic year, taking into account the following:

a) Laws and Regulations in force;

b) the vision of the University of Pitești, CSUD and the research directions of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School;

c) the specifics of the research themes of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

(2) The Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School establishes at the beginning of each academic year:

a) the curriculum for advanced university training programs;

b) compulsory subjects for all doctoral students in a field;

c) the disciplines specific to each doctoral student;

d) subject holders.

(3) The curriculum enters into force after its approval by the Senate of the University of Pitești.

Art. 13. – (1) The change of the doctoral supervisor of a doctoral student and the replacement with another supervisor from the same field may be made in the following situations:

a) if the doctoral supervisor has reached retirement age and does not wish to retire continue the activity of supervising doctoral theses;

b) at the request of the director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, if he/she has found unavailability of the doctoral supervisor for a period longer than one year;

c) at the motivated request of the doctoral supervisor (respectively of the doctoral student), in the event that he/she has found non-fulfillment of legal or contractual obligations assumed by the doctoral student (respectively by the doctoral supervisor), or for other reasons that it concerns the management relationship between the doctoral supervisor and the doctoral student;

d) at the joint request of the doctoral student and his/her doctoral supervisor, in which, on Based on well-founded reasons, a new doctoral supervisor is proposed.

(2) CSUD – University of Pitești, at the proposal of the Doctoral School Council Interdisciplinary, designate, within a maximum of 30 days, another doctoral supervisor for the case provided for in point (1), as well as in the event that the driver is found to be unavailable doctorate.

(3) The change of the doctoral supervisor may be approved only with the written consent, given in prior approval by the new doctoral supervisor.

(4) After changing the doctoral supervisor of a doctoral student, the new doctoral supervisor establishes, within a maximum of 30 days from the date of approval change, a new committee to guide that doctoral student, which may also include members of the previous guidance committee, if they agree to continue guidance the doctoral student.

(5) The change of a member of the guidance committee/mentor is made based on the same procedure.

Art. 14. – (1) Conflicts between the doctoral student and the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School shall be resolved mediated by CSUD – University of Pitești.

(2) Conflicts between the doctoral student and the doctoral supervisor are mediated by The Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, and in case the conflict is not resolved at this level, it is mediated by the CSUD - University of Pitești.

(3) Mediation of a conflict between the doctoral student and the doctoral supervisor is carried out following a written notification and involves the following steps:

a) The Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School proposes a mediation committee;
ii) the mediation committee hears the parties involved in the conflict and draws up a report that is submitted to the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School;

iii) The Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School validates or not the report prepared by the mediation committee and forwards the report of the mediation committee and the decision of the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School to CSUD - University of Pitești.

Art. 15. The situations of extending the activity of a doctoral student are the following:

(1) The interruption is made in accordance with the Code of Doctoral Studies (approved by Government Decision no. 681/2011), art. 39 paragraph (4) which specifies that doctoral studies may be interrupted for valid reasons, under the conditions established by the Doctoral School Regulations.

a) The duration of these studies is extended by the cumulative periods of approved interruptions. The interruption does not entail the payment of any fees. The doctoral scholarship is suspended during the interruption.

b) The interruption is granted based on a reasoned request, endorsed by the doctoral supervisor and approved by the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School. Possible examples of valid reasons: maternity, childcare leave, health problems, carrying out an activity abroad or in another locality for a period longer than one month, etc.

c) The total duration of approved interruptions for a doctoral student cannot exceed 2 years (24 months). Monday.

d) Except in cases of force majeure, interruption can only be decided during the duration of the doctoral program (during the normal duration of 3 years and the maximum extension of 2 years), and not during grace periods or deferral of the defense.

(2) The extension is made in accordance with: i) the Code of Doctoral Studies (approved by Government Decision No. 681/2011) art. 39 paragraph (2), thesis I, which stipulates that the duration of the doctoral program is, as a rule, 3 years; ii) the Code of Doctoral Studies (approved by Government Decision No. 681/2011) art. 39 paragraph (3) which specifies that for good reasons, under the conditions established by the Doctoral School regulations, the duration of the doctoral program may be extended by 1-2 years, with the approval of the university senate, at the proposal of the doctoral supervisor and within the limit of available funds; iii) Law No. 288/2004 on the organization of university studies, as amended by Law No. 49/2013, art. 12, theses I and II, which specify that doctoral studies usually last 3 years. In special situations, when the topic addressed requires a longer period of study or experimentation, the duration may be extended by 1-2 years, with the approval of the university senate, at the proposal of the doctoral supervisor.

a) The extension requires payment of the doctoral tuition fee for the approved period (any exemptions must be approved by the director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School and explicitly approved by the Senate of the University of Pitești).

b) The request must be motivated, endorsed by the doctoral supervisor and approved by the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

c) The total duration of extensions approved for a doctoral student cannot exceed 2 years (24 months). Monday).

d) The extension (maximum 2 years), along with the initial duration (usually 3 years), is part of the doctoral program. Doctoral students on extension (similar to doctoral students on the normal program period) are included in the maximum number of doctoral students supervised by a doctoral supervisor. The activity with doctoral students on extension (similar to those on the normal program) must be paid, both for the doctoral supervisor and for the members of the supervision committees.

(3) The grace period is granted according to the Doctoral Studies Code (approved by Government Decision no. 681/2011), art. 40 paragraph (1) which stipulates that if the doctoral student fails to complete the thesis within the deadline established according to the doctoral university studies contract and any additional documents thereto, the doctoral student still has a grace period of maximum 2 years to complete and publicly defend the thesis, exceeding this deadline automatically leading to his/her expulsion.

a) The grace period is granted for a maximum of 2 years (24 months), only to doctoral students who have completed the doctoral program (including the normal 3-year period and any interruption and/or extension periods), but have not managed to complete and officially submit the doctoral thesis, and only after fulfilling the obligations in the individual plan (successfully submitting all research reports and other activities provided for in the individual plan approved by the Council of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School) and does not require the payment of a fee.

b) The grace period is granted only to doctoral students for whom the supervisor certifies that they have written at least 50% of the doctoral thesis, for those who have not met this condition, it is recommended to request/grant extension periods (with a fee).

c) The public defense of the doctoral thesis must fall within the grace period, according to art. 40 of Government Decision no. 681/2011 which provides that the doctoral student has a grace period of a maximum of 2 years to complete and publicly defend the thesis, exceeding this term automatically leading to his/her expulsion.

(4) Postponement of the thesis defense or keeping it on file is carried out in accordance with Law 49/2013, art. 12, sentence III, which specifies that in special situations, when the topic addressed requires a longer period of study or experimentation, at the proposal of the doctoral

supervisor and with the approval of the Doctoral School Council, the public defense may be postponed for a maximum of 4 years from the completion of the doctoral studies.

a) Postponing the defense of the doctoral thesis does not require the payment of any fee.

b) In order for a doctoral student to benefit from the postponement of the doctoral thesis defense, the doctoral supervisor will have to make a thoroughly motivated proposal, only in truly "special" situations, and when he or she is firmly convinced that at the end of the postponement period the thesis will be completed and successfully defended.

c) The defense deferral period is granted only to doctoral students who have completed the doctoral program (conducted during the normal period and the 2-year extension), but have not managed to complete the thesis.

(5) Upon completion of the doctoral program (normal duration and 2-year extension), one can opt for either the grace period (maximum 2 years) or the period of deferral of the defense. 9 / 12 Machine Translated by Google (maximum 4 years). The period of deferral of the defense may also be granted after the grace period, provided that, in total (cumulated), the grace period and the period of deferral of the defense do not exceed 4 years from the completion of the doctoral program (within these 4 years, the thesis must be defended, not just officially submitted or handed over for reading to the doctoral supervisor).

(6) a) The re-examination of the doctoral thesis (after the pre-examination) is carried out in accordance with: the Code of Doctoral Studies (approved by Government Decision No. 681/2011), art. 68 para. (4) which stipulates that in the case of the award of the grade "Unsatisfactory", the doctoral committee specifies the content elements that are to be re-examined or completed in the doctoral thesis and requests a new public defense of the thesis. The second public defense of the thesis takes place before the same doctoral committee as in the case of the first defense. If the grade "Unsatisfactory" is obtained at the second public defense, the doctoral degree is not granted, and the doctoral student is expelled.; ii) the Code of Doctoral Studies (approved by Government Decision No. 681/2011), art. 68 para. (5) which states that if CNATDCU invalidates the doctoral thesis with justification, IOSUD receives from the Ministry of National Education a written motivation for invalidation, drafted based on the observations of CNATDCU. The doctoral thesis can be resubmitted to CNATDCU within one year from the date of the first invalidation. If the doctoral thesis is invalidated a second time, the doctoral title will not be granted, and the doctoral student will be expelled.

i) During the pre-defense of the doctoral thesis, when the doctoral thesis is considered to be inadequate, the doctoral supervisor and the guidance committee may request the improvement or re-do of the doctoral thesis.

ii) If the advisory committee requests the re-do of the thesis, but the mention is of APPROVAL, the doctoral student will strive to make the requested changes in the shortest possible time, so as to respect the 30-day deadline established by OM 3482/2016.

iii) If the advisory committee requests the re-do of the thesis (with the explicit mention of NON-APPROVAL/ DEFERRAL), the doctoral supervisor, in agreement with the advisory committee, establishes a term of 1 – 6 months for the re do of the thesis and the completion of a second pre-defense. This term cannot exceed the legal limits for the grace period and/ or postponement of the thesis defense according to Law 49/2013, also taking into account the terms set by the doctoral studies code for the stages between the pre-defense and the public defense of the doctoral thesis.

iv) If, after the second pre-defense, the doctoral supervisor and the guidance committee decide NOT to approve, then the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School will propose the expulsion of the doctoral student.

b) i) Re-doing the doctoral thesis (after the public defense) is required in case of awarding the grade "Unsatisfactory" by the defense committee or invalidating the thesis (for the first time) by CNADTCU.

ii) The deadline for re-doing the doctoral thesis is one year from the date of the defense concluded with the award of the grade "Unsatisfactory" or from the date of invalidation of the thesis by CNATDCU, as the case may be.

(7) The termination of the status of doctoral student is based on the Code of Doctoral Studies (approved by Government Decision no. 681/2011, with subsequent additions and amendments), art. 67 paragraph (9) which specifies: the status of doctoral student ceases upon the award of the doctoral title or upon the issuance of the expulsion order.

Art. 16. (1) The doctoral thesis is verified by the doctoral supervisor, according to the Procedure regarding the use of the anti-plagiarism system at the University of Pitești, approved by the Senate of the University of Pitești.

(2) If the doctoral supervisor suspects the existence of elements of plagiarism in the doctoral thesis, or if the indications of similarity are not within the accepted limits, he/she will ask the doctoral student to redo the doctoral thesis.

(3) If the doctoral student violates academic or scientific research ethics, including through plagiarism, the doctoral supervisor may propose his/her expulsion, according to Regulations for the organization and conduct of doctoral studies at the University of Pitesti.

(4) In the event of possible academic fraud, violations of university ethics or For any deviations from good conduct in scientific research, including plagiarism, the doctoral student and/or his/her doctoral supervisor are responsible under the law.

Art. 17. (1) The doctoral student has access to all the research resources of the Doctoral School. Interdisciplinary and research centers within the University of Pitești.

(2) The doctoral student has access to the book collection of the University of Pitești Library and to the international databases to which the University of Pitești has access.

(3) Within the limits of available funds, the doctoral supervisor requests, at the request of the doctoral student, the management of the University of Pitești to purchase articles, books, various scientific works not available in the library of the University of Pitești, research materials and equipment, as well as participation in scientific events.

Art. 18. (1) The doctoral student must allocate time to the doctoral training. For this, his/her actual presence in the doctoral school or in research and development units that have concluded agreements or institutional partnerships with IOSUD is required University of Pitesti.

(2) The doctoral student must have daily attendance, according to the methodologies developed by the Ministry of Education.

(3) The doctoral study contract may also stipulate other attendance obligations or the performance of teaching and research activities.

IV. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF DOCTORAL SCHOOL MEMBERS INTERDISCIPLINARY IN THE FRAMEWORK OF IOSUD – UNIVERSITY OF PITEȘTI

Art. 19. Members of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești have the following rights and obligations:

a) to comply with the Regulation on the organization and conduct of university studies doctorate approved by the Senate of the University of Pitești;

b) to participate in the meetings of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD University of Pitesti;

c) to express their opinions without reservation regarding the issues analyzed and the functioning of the School Interdisciplinary Doctorates from IOSUD – University of Pitești;

d) to participate, by open or secret vote, in decision-making;

e) to make proposals regarding the improvement of the activity of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești;

f) to know the legislation in the field of Organization of University Doctoral Studies and the provisions of the National Education Law;

g) to promptly report any irregularities regarding the organization and functioning of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești;

h) doctoral supervisors establish: the titles of the exams and research reports to be taken by the doctoral student during the doctoral studies, sign the corresponding grade catalogs, the guidance committee and the strategic and operational plan, as well as the scientific research program of each doctoral student;

i) the doctoral supervisors evaluate the doctoral thesis with the following grades: EXCELLENT, VERY GOOD, GOOD, SATISFACTORY and UNSATISFACTORY in accordance with the decisions of the CNATDCU Committees in the fields managed by the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School. The doctoral student should publish at least one article mentioned in the bibliography of the doctoral thesis in one of the journals or bulletins of the University of Pitești.

Art. 20. Members of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD – University of Pitești may be sanctioned in accordance with Art. 324, Art. 325 and Art. 326 of the National Education Law No. 1/10.02.2011.

Art. 21. Principles of operation and management of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School in within IOSUD – University of Pitești are:

- a) academic freedom and autonomy;
- b) assuming responsibility for any decision;
- c) participatory and active leadership;
- d) availability and trust in people.

Art. 22. The value system promoted by the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești consists of: academic freedom, academic autonomy, personal autonomy, professionalism and performance, professional honesty and promotion of tolerance, personal responsibility and equal opportunities, in accordance with existing laws.

V. MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR DOCTORAL SCHOOL INTERDISCIPLINARY WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF IOSUD – UNIVERSITY OF PITEȘTI

Art. 23. – (1) According to the Order of the Minister of National Education and Scientific Research no. 6129/2016, Art. 3, through IOSUD, the University of Pitești can complete the minimum necessary and mandatory standards for the conferral of the habilitation certificate and the quality of doctoral supervisor in various doctoral fields, including the fields managed by the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School.

(2) The qualification of a Ph.D. teaching staff or Ph.D. researcher from UPit and beyond, or from a research institute, grants them the right to conduct doctorates and to affiliate with the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School within IOSUD - University of Pitești, with the agreement of the Doctoral School and CSUD, the final approval being given by the Senate of the University of Pitești.

(3) Minimum registration requirements for obtaining the qualification certificate:

a) meet the conditions required by National Education Law No. 1/2011 with subsequent amendments and supplements;

b) meet the requirements for habilitation in one of the fields managed by the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, requirements approved by the Senate of the University of Pitești.