

Procedural overview on the Ph.D. program (Status: 05.03.2018)

The following provides an overview from admission to completion of your Ph.D. in the International Graduate School of Biosciences. For more detailed information please refer to the additional information sheets provided.

1. Finding a Ph.D. thesis supervisor of the International Graduate School of Biosciences (IGB)
2. Application for acceptance as a Ph.D. candidate (see separate information sheet)
3. Enrolment in the PhD degree program and registration at the RUB-Research School
4. Finding a second supervisor of the International Graduate School of Biosciences (IGB)
5. Presentation of the Ph.D. thesis proposal and it's defense in front of IGB members (10 min presentation + 10 min discussion)
6. Acquisition of at least 12 credit points during the Ph.D. study program
7. Completion of your Ph.D. thesis (dissertation)
8. Submission of your dissertation and request to open the graduation process. Once registered successfully, a chairperson and a third examiner of your thesis will be selected to form the Ph.D. committee together with the first and the second Ph.D. supervisors.
9. Thesis defense (disputation/doctoral examination)
10. Publication of the thesis by depositing copies of your dissertation at the University library within 1 year after the thesis defense
11. Receipt of your Ph.D. degree (certificates in German and English)

Grading system:

summa cum laude = with honors

magna cum laude = very good

cum laude = good

rite = sufficient

12. Annual graduation ceremony