

## Conduct of the Admission Examination

1. **Regardless of the field**, the doctoral admission examination consists of **at least two parts**: a) A **written specialty exam**, based on a topic announced by the doctoral advisor **at least two months** prior to the exam date.  
  
b) An **interview**, during which the candidate's scientific/artistic interests, research or artistic creation abilities, and the proposed doctoral thesis topic are assessed. If necessary, the candidate's language competencies may also be evaluated. Depending on the field's specifics, **additional exams (even eliminatory)** may be included in the admission process, at the request of the doctoral advisors and with the approval of the doctoral school council.
2. If a candidate expresses the intention to carry out **any component** of their doctoral studies in a **foreign language**, they must complete **at least one part** of the admission exam in that language. This exam component will be **eliminatory**, with results marked as **pass/fail**.
3. The admission exams are conducted before an **admission committee**, composed of the doctoral advisor offering the doctoral student position and at least **two other specialists** from Babeş-Bolyai University (UBB), who must hold at least the title of **associate professor or scientific researcher, grade II**.  
The **chair of the admission committee is the doctoral advisor**. Committees are proposed by the councils of the doctoral schools and approved by the **Director of CSUD (Council for Doctoral University Studies)**.
4. It is forbidden for a **doctoral candidate** to have a **spouse, relative, or in-law** up to and including the third degree within the admission committee evaluating them.
5. It is also forbidden for a **doctoral candidate** to be in such a family relationship with their **future doctoral advisor**.
6. Individuals with such family ties (up to the third degree, including) **may not be appointed** to the **same doctoral admission committee**.
7. In **justified cases**, and with the approval of the doctoral school council and at the proposal of the doctoral advisor, **online admission exams** may be conducted.
8. The **topics for the written specialty exam**, the **bibliography**, and the **exam schedules** will be published on the websites of the doctoral schools:  
<https://doctorat.ubbcluj.ro/ro/scolile-doctorale/>
9. After evaluating candidates' performance in the exams, the **admission committee nominates**, based on established selection criteria, the candidate who will occupy the advertised doctoral position.  
This candidate can be enrolled **only with the favorable approval of the doctoral school council** where the advisor is affiliated, and only if the school is **provisionally authorized or accredited**.
10. The **minimum average score** a candidate must obtain to be admitted is **7.00**. The average is calculated to **two decimal places, without rounding**.
11. Doctoral schools will publish on their websites the **results of admitted/rejected candidates** (while protecting personal data in accordance with GDPR), ensuring the **right to appeal**.

12. **Appeals**, in the case of **written exams**, must be submitted to the doctoral school to which the candidate's advisor belongs, **within 24 hours** of the publication of initial results (provisional lists). Appeals will be resolved and results published within **24 hours** after the appeal submission deadline.
13. **Appeals are not allowed** for **oral exams, sports aptitude exams, or artistic aptitude exams**.
14. Appeals **based on ignorance** of the admission rules are **not accepted**.
15. After the appeal resolution and publication deadline expires, the **admission result is final and cannot be changed**.
16. The resolution of appeals is **exclusively the responsibility** of the **appeals committee** of the doctoral school. **Its decision is final**.
17. During the period announced for confirmations, candidates admitted to **state-funded (grant-based)** positions will confirm their spot for enrollment both **online via the admission platform** and **onsite/in person**, at the location indicated by the doctoral school, following the document requirements outlined in the "Confirmation of Admission" section.
18. After the admission procedure is finalized, the doctoral school will publish the **ranking of admitted/rejected candidates**, including the names of those who receive **grants and/or doctoral scholarships**.
19. The **validation of final admission results** to the doctoral studies is carried out by the **Doctoral School Council (CSD)**, the **University Council for Doctoral Studies (CSUD)**, and the **Administrative Council of Babeş-Bolyai University (UBB)**.

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