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**Note:**

Excerpt from the [Rulebook on Postgraduate University Studies \(Doctoral Studies\)](#) at the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management at the University Of Rijeka:

**Mentor, co-mentor and adviser**

Article 18

- (1) A mentor is assigned to the doctoral student, no later than 60 days from the enrolment, and if necessary the co-mentor or adviser from the ranks of the study programme coordinators, whereby, if possible, the wishes of the student will be taken into account.
- (2) Mentor, co-mentor or advisor must meet the [Minimum criteria for selecting a mentor / co-mentor at the postgraduate university studies of the University of Rijeka](#)
- (3) To the mentor or co-mentor position a person with a scientific title and teaching position or with a scientific title in the scientific area of social sciences, field of economics can be appointed.
- (4) To the mentor or co-mentor position a person outside the ranks of study programme coordinators can be appointed. If the mentor is not an employee of the University of Rijeka, then the co-mentor from the constituent of the University that carries out the doctoral studies is assigned to the doctoral student.
- (5) If the topic of the doctoral thesis is of interdisciplinary nature, a person from other scientific fields may be appointed to the mentor.
- (6) The mentor and co-mentor are appointed by the Faculty Council on the proposal of the Council of doctoral studies.
- (7) Mentor and co-mentor help the doctoral student in modelling the programme of postgraduate university studies (doctoral studies), give directions related to the literature and implementation of appropriate scientific and research methods, help the doctoral student to select a topic, to prepare the doctoral thesis and assess student's progress in the scientific and research work.
- (8) The university teacher can have a maximum of three mentorships, i.e. co-mentorships, except in exceptional cases, by decision of the Council of doctoral studies, up to a maximum of five students.
- (9) At least once a year the mentor / co-mentor or advisor submit a report on the student's work to the Council of doctoral studies on the prescribed form (Annual Mentor's Report) that is enclosed to this Rulebook and forms its integral part.
- (10) The university teacher who is retired, after being appointed as a mentor, can continue with the mentorship to the end. In this case, at the proposal of the Council of doctoral studies, a co-mentor is assigned to the student from the ranks of the study programme coordinators, no later than 60 days upon a retirement of the mentor.
- (11) If a doctoral student, in two consecutive years, does not submit Application of Thesis Proposal or does not enrol the next year of study programme, the Faculty Council will, upon the proposal of the Council of doctoral studies, enact a resolution of hibernation of mentorship for the mentor, and that mentorship will not be included in active mentoring. If a student subsequently submits a request for the continuation of the studying, and the Council of doctoral studies approves his application and makes a resolution on approving the continuation of studies and the procedure for acquiring a PhD, the same resolution will propose the activation of the mentorship of an earlier named mentor depending on the quota allowed for the mentoring, or another mentor will be proposed.