



DOCTORAL THESIS PROPOSAL DEFENCE PROCEDURE via ZOOM

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Before the Defense of the Doctoral Thesis Proposal, the Doctoral Candidate, gets the:

- approval of the Dissertation Proposal Topic and Mentor Appointment and
- approval from the Gestalt Dissertation Ethical Committee.

The Committee for Thesis Proposal Defence consists of three Members:

Mentor, Methodologist and Independent Expert.

All members have to join the Zoom meeting 10 minutes before the start of the meeting.

The President of the Committee will have to be elected between Methodologist and Independent Expert.

The President of the Committee for Doctoral Thesis Proposal Defence is then leading the meeting as follows:

1. Welcome the Candidate (introducing the candidate)
2. Introduce the Committee Members: Mentor, Methodologist, and Independent Expert.
3. Instruct the Candidate to give presentation of the Thesis Proposal within 20 minutes.

4. Invite Members to ask questions (preferable one, but not more than two each) in the following order: first Committee member that is neither President, nor Mentor, then the President, and then the Mentor (who could even decide not to ask a question).

If the questions and answers provoke discussion, the President is moderating it, keeping in mind a time frame of 1 hour.

5. After this part of the procedure is concluded, the Doctorate Candidate is asked to enter the waiting room (Zoom platform).

6. Moderate Discussion among Committee Members for Doctoral Thesis Proposal Defence follows.

7. After the Discussion is completed, the Candidate is invited to join, and the results of the Defence are announced.

8. Short time is given for Mentor and Candidate to share some words.

9. Concluding and closing the Defense Session.