

Course Title PhD Qualifying Exam **Course Code** PHDPH103 **Course Type** Compulsory PhD Level Year / Semester 1stsemester **Teacher's Name** Student's Research Advisor (any Teaching and Research Staff member of the Department) **ECTS** 8 Lectures / week Laboratories/we ek **Course Purpose** The purpose of the PhD Qualifying Exams to ensure that the PhD candidate has the required knowledge, as well as specialized knowledge for conducting scientific research and that he/she is able to meet the requirements of the doctoral program. The comprehensive examination tests the knowledge acquired by the student during the research methodology courses in the biostatistics and scientific research writing modules, as well as in issues related to the broader subject that will be dealt with in his/her research. The comprehensive examination must be completed successfully before submitting the PhD Thesis Proposal. The process of elaboration and evaluation of the Comprehensive Examination is defined by the Department and is described in the Operational Rules of the Doctoral Program. The Department's Doctoral Program Committee is responsible for coordinating the Comprehensive Examination. In case of failure in the Comprehensive Examination, the student has the right to one more attempt. The content of the PhD Qualifying Exam is decided by the Research Advisory Committee of the student. The student must be informed in writing about the form of the qualifying exam and the reading material, at least ten weeks before the date of the qualifying exam. The Comprehensive Examination should test the knowledge acquired by the student **Learning Outcomes** during his / her undergraduate studies related to the specific area he/she will follow, as well as the knowledge acquired during the attendance of the Master's postgraduate courses. Finally, the examination must test the knowledge of research design and development as it was acquired by the student at the relevant courses until then. **Prerequisites** Corequisites PHDPH101, PHDPH102 **Course Content** The Comprehensive Examination should test the knowledge acquired by the student during his / her undergraduate studies related to the specific area he/she will follow, as well as the knowledge acquired during the attendance of the Master's postgraduate courses.

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	The student's academic advisor proposes the time of the examination and is approved by the Department's Doctoral Program Committee.
	The topic of the exam is divided into two parts:
	• Part 1 tests on knowledge and skills in research design, data collection and analysis.
	• Part 2 tests knowledge, skills and synthesis of opinions in the field of study of the doctoral student.
	• The responsibility for the coordination of the Examination lies within the Doctoral Program Committee of the Department.
	• In case of failure in the Comprehensive Examination, the student has the right to one more attempt.
Teaching Methodology	-
Bibliography	Bibliography for PHDPH101, PHDPH102, Basic undergraduate level knowledge, material/publications/notes handed by the Research Advisor.
Assessment	Written Comprehensive Examination Test (100%)
Language	Greek/English