Pursuant to Article 63, paragraph 6, item 3, of the Scientific Activity and Higher Education Act (OG 123/03, 198/03, 105/04, 174/04, 02/07/, 46/07, 45/09, 63/11, 94/13, 139/13, 101/14, 60/15, 131/17) and Article 43, paragraph 1, item 21 and Article 112 paragraph 3 of the Statute of the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb (consolidated wording), upon the motion of the Faculty Collegium of 2 July 2019, at its session held on 4 July 2019, the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb passed the following

ORDINANCE ON DOCTORAL STUDIES AT THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

- (1) This Ordinance on doctoral studies (hereinafter: Ordinance) regulates the organisation and execution of postgraduate university studies (hereinafter: Doctoral studies) at the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb (hereinafter: Faculty), teaching and research in doctoral studies, conditions of enrolment and duration of studies, manner of study execution, mentorship, application procedures, evaluation and defence of the doctoral dissertation, rights and obligations of students of doctoral studies (hereinafter: doctoral candidate) and other issues related to organisation and execution of doctoral studies.
- (2) The terms used in this Ordinance having gender significance, regardless if used in the male or female gender, shall apply equally to both the male and female genders.

Article 2

- (1) The Faculty organises and executes doctoral studies in the scientific field of the natural sciences and interdisciplinary fields of sciences.
- (2) The Faculty organises and exercises doctoral studies through its Faculty departments.

Article 3

Doctoral studies may have the following forms:

- 1. doctoral study led by the Faculty;
- 2. double Doctorate (*cotutelle*), where the Doctoral candidate obtains two diplomas, and a double mentorship is obligatory;
- 3. joint studies executed by other elements of the University or other scientific institutions, whereby the leader of studies is the Faculty;
- 4. joint studies executed by several different universities, scientific institutions or their constituents, whereby the leader of studies is the Faculty.

II DOCTORAL STUDIES COUNCIL

Article 4

The body competent for organising the doctoral study at the level of a faculty department is the Doctoral Studies Council. The Doctoral Studies Council may appoint a head of doctoral studies from among its members, in accordance with a special department ordinance.

Article 5

(1) The authorised Department Council shall appoint the Doctoral Studies Council among teachers elected to scientific-teaching grades (ranks) and to the appropriate posts of associate professor, full professor or tenured professor among appropriate scientific professions and/or among teachers elected into the appropriate scientific grade (rank) and or teaching grade (rank) in the same grade. In extraordinary cases, the Department Council may appoint to the Doctoral Studies Council a teacher elected to the scientific-teaching grade (rank) and to post of assistant professor, or from the appropriate scientific grade (rank) and/or teaching grade (rank) in the same grade. Members of the Doctoral Studies Council shall be appointed for a period of four years and may be re-elected. The members of the Doctoral

Studies Council may have their deputies. More detailed provisions on the manner of appointment to the Doctoral Studies Council shall be stipulated by a special department ordinance.

- (2) The Doctoral Studies Council shall perform activities from its scope of work at its sessions. The Doctoral Studies Council discusses and passes legally valid decisions when more than half of its members are present at a session, and passes its decision by a simple majority of votes of the members present.
- (3) The Doctoral Studies Council shall perform the following activities:
 - 1. prepare materials for the sessions of the Department Council from the field of doctoral studies,
 - 2. prepare motions of study programmes of doctoral studies and, via the Department Council, forward them to the Faculty Council for adoption,
 - 3. establish the motion of the implementation plan of doctoral studies and, via the Department Council, forward it to the Faculty Council for adoption,
 - 4. systematically supervise the quality of teaching in doctoral studies through student surveys and other appropriate means,
 - 5. propose to the Department Council members of expert committees in doctoral studies,
 - 6. consider and adopt reports of expert committees in doctoral studies,
 - 7. propose appointments of mentors to the Department Council,
 - 8. state its opinion on motions of the Commission for evaluation of drafts (synopsis, thesis) of doctoral dissertations and propose drafts of doctoral dissertations to the Department Council for approval,
 - 9. determine the proposal of a department act on doctoral studies and propose it to the Department Council for adoption,
 - 10.appoint study advisers to doctoral candidates,
 - 11.determine the proposal of contests and the conditions for enrolment of applicants to doctoral studies and, via the competent Department Council, forward it to the Faculty Council for adoption,
 - 12.cooperate with the Office for postgraduate studies in performing administrative-technical affairs related to the execution of doctoral studies,
 - 13.propose decisions to the Department Council and department head concerning financial matters of doctoral studies,
 - 14.performs other matters related to the organisation and execution of doctoral studies.
- (4) The Doctoral Studies Council may appoint standing and temporary commissions to perform the work from within its scope.

III COMPONENTS OF DOCTORAL STUDIES

Article 6

- (1) The central component of doctoral studies is scientific research.
- (2) In addition to scientific research, mandatory activities within doctoral studies are coursework, research seminars, workshops and discussion groups, for the development of research work, critical thinking, adoption of methodology and general skills.

Article 7

- (1) Consistent with the possibilities and in accordance with the set conditions by the Doctoral Studies Council, courses in the doctoral studies are open to all doctoral candidates of the University of Zagreb (hereinafter: University).
- (2) Parts of research and teaching in doctoral studies may be partially opened to doctoral candidates from other universities, based on previously determined conditions and concluded agreements, which may be held in English, all in the manner and in accordance with the decision passed by the authorised Department Council upon the motion of the Doctoral Studies Council.
- (3) To achieve interdisciplinarity, doctoral candidates, with the explanation and approval of their mentor and the consent of the Doctoral Studies Council, may enrol in courses and perform part of their research at the University or other institutions.
- (4) The Doctoral Studies Council may prescribe that doctoral candidates pass differentiating subjects from undergraduate and graduate studies taught at the Faculty, to acquire the fundamental knowledge necessary for attending and completing the study programme.

(5) Special rules of studying in specific doctoral study programmes shall be established by the Study programme and the coursework implementation plan.

IV ENROLMENT CONDITIONS FOR THE STUDY PROGRAMME AND DURATION OF DOCTORAL STUDIES

Article 8

- (1) Enrolment into doctoral studies is based on a public invitation for applications launched by virtue of a decision of the Faculty Council not more than one month before the beginning of courses and announced on the Faculty website and in the daily press. The Faculty Council renders the decision to launch a public invitation at the motion of the Department Council.
- (2) The public invitation includes information on the conditions of enrolment, number of available places, requirement documents, deadlines for enrolment, criteria of selection and enrolment, and other information, and the criteria of candidate evaluation shall include the achieved grades in graduate studies, expressed interested for scientific research, published papers, recommendation of the potential mentor and proposal of the area of research. The interview with candidates is a mandatory element of the enrolment procedure. All the necessary conditions for the completion of study in the foreseen period are defined at the time of enrolment.
- (3) The enrolment quota are determined according to the availability of research capacities, number of teachers and mentors.
- (4) The decision on tuition fees is rendered by the Faculty Council.
- (5) A candidate who has completed the appropriate graduate university study in accordance with the competition requirements may enrol in the doctoral study programme. Candidates not having completed the appropriate graduate study programme may enrol in a doctoral study programme consistent with the competition requirements and according to conditions set by the authorised Department Council at the motion of the Doctoral Studies Council.
- (6) Decision on enrolment of candidates in the competition in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be passed by the competent Department Council at the motion of the Doctoral Studies Council.
- (7) The Faculty shall conclude a study agreement with the candidate obtaining the right to enrol into the doctoral studies, and such agreement regulates the mutual rights and obligations.

Article 9

- (1) Doctoral studies under this Ordinance shall have a 3-year duration. Any periods of study obligation shall not be counted in the study duration period.
- (2) A doctoral candidate has the obligation to regulate his status each academic year, regardless if this pertains to re-enrolment in the same year or enrolment to a higher year. The competent Doctoral Studies Council shall decide on the doctoral candidate's application for re-enrolment in the same year, on the grounds of a written application. The competent Department Council shall determine the conditions for the continuation of studies and amount of participation in study costs for re-enrolment in the same year, all in the manner and in line with special decision of the Faculty Council.
- (3) When the doctoral candidate completes the appropriate obligations defined by the implementation plan of the appropriate study programme, but has not yet defended his doctoral dissertation, he assumes the obligation to regulate his status in the manner and in line with the Special decision of the Faculty Council and the authorised Department Council.
- (4) The doctoral candidate is entitled to complete his doctoral study within eight years, under the conditions under which he enrolled the study. The said period of eight years shall not include periods of obligation inaction for justified reasons (pregnancy, maternity leave, parental and adoptive parent leave, extended illness, other justified and substantiated cases).
- (5) In exceptional cases, and prior to the expiry of the eight year period, the doctoral candidate may submit an application for the continuation of study. The competent Doctoral Study Council shall determine conditions for the study continuation based on the submitted application.

Article 10

(1) At the time of enrolment in the study programme, the Doctoral Studies Council shall appoint a study adviser for a Doctoral Candidate to aid him during the study, monitoring the doctoral candidate's work

and achievements and developing the plan of obligations with the candidate (filed into the Faculty records, e.g. the doctoral candidate's portfolio), until a mentor is appointed. The study adviser is an employee of the Faculty holding a scientific-teaching or scientific grade (rank) and participating in the execution of doctoral studies. When another institution beside the Faculty participates in the execution of doctoral studies, in line with a cooperation agreement, the study adviser may be appointed from such institutions.

(2) In case the quality of the doctoral candidate's work, evaluated through annual evaluation procedures by the Doctoral Studies Council, does not meet the expected quality level, the Doctoral Studies Council may decide to revoke the doctoral candidate's rights to continue with the studies.

V MENTORSHIP AND MENTOR OBLIGATIONS

Article 11

- (1) A mentor of a doctoral study shall be appointed by the competent Department Council at the motion of the Doctoral Studies Council. The Doctoral Studies Council shall decide upon the number of doctoral candidates a mentor may lead simultaneously.
- (2) A person meeting the following requirements may be appointed as mentor:
 - 1. a person elected to at least the scientific-teaching grade (rank) position of assistant professor or grade (rank) of scientific associate or equivalent if the mentor was educated abroad;
 - 2. an active scientist from the scope of research of the doctoral work (e.g. head or member of a research project and/or research group):
 - 3. a person who is scientifically active and relevant in the international scientific community and has published scientific papers related to the doctoral research proposal;
 - 4. a person who has published scientific papers in the last five years;
- (3) A mentor may be also a *professor emeritus*, or a regular member of the Croatian Academy of Arts and Sciences, should he meet the requirements under paragraph 2, item 2, 3 and 4 of this Article.
- (4) Prior to taking over the first mentorship, the mentor is recommended to attend the mentorship workshop organised by the University or a recognised international school.
- (5) A mentor who is not an employee of the University or Faculty, must sign a cooperation agreement and takeover of responsibility with the Dean of the Faculty, save in the case of a mentor appointment from some other institution who, by virtue of a cooperation agreement, participates in the performance of doctoral studies.
- (6) A teacher at the Faculty may be a mentor at another University, with the Dean's permission. The Dean of the Faculty grants permissions for mentorship at the motion of the competent Department Council
- (7) A person appointed as a mentor before his retirement, is entitled to/may bring this mentorship to its end, with the approval of the Doctoral Studies Council.
- (8) In order to assure the quality of the doctoral dissertation, double mentorship shall be made possible, if necessary (for instance, in interdisciplinary research or conducting research in several institutions).

Article 12

- (1) A mentor is required to guide the doctoral candidate during his work on the doctoral dissertation, monitor the quality of the candidate's work, stimulate the publication of his work, and enable his participation in scientific projects.
- (2) A mentor shall regularly submit reports on the work of the doctoral candidate to the competent Doctoral Studies Council, on the appropriate University form.

VI RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE DOCTORAL CANDIDATE

Article 13

(1) A doctoral candidate is required to submit a report on his work to the competent Doctoral Studies Council once a year, with a possible presentation of the research. The report shall be submitted on the appropriate University form.

(2) A doctoral candidate has the right to change his mentor or proposal of the doctoral research, with a written request and statement of the previous mentor, on the appropriate University form. The authorised Department Council passes a decision thereon, at the motion of the competent Doctoral Studies Council. (3) Before the defence of his doctoral dissertation, a doctoral candidate is required to have published, or accepted for publication, at least one scientific paper in an international or domestic journal of repute in the scientific field relating to the doctoral dissertation, thematically related to the doctoral research (where he is the only or one of the main authors). Each paper, save with a special explanation (e.g. equal co-authorship) may qualify only one doctoral candidate.

VII DOCTORAL CANDIDATE STATUS

Article 14

- (1) A doctoral candidate enrolled to a doctoral study may be:
 - 1. a person whose costs of study are covered by the science and higher education system;
 - 2. a holder of a Croatian or international scholarship;
 - 3. a scholarship holder of Croatian or international foundations;
 - 4. a person whose costs of study are being covered by Croatian or international scientific or research projects;
 - 5. a person whose costs of study are borne by their employer;
 - 6. a person bearing his own study costs.
- (2) At the time of enrolment in the study, the person enrolling in the doctoral study shall agree to the conditions of financing the study (the conditions of financing the research are established when determining the mentor and outlines of the doctoral dissertation).
- (3) During study, it is possible to change the sources of financing.

VIII DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

Article 15

- (1) A doctoral dissertation is a public scientific paper, subject to scientific assessment.
- (2) A restriction of the public status of the doctoral dissertation is possible only exceptionally, as stipulated by Article 21 of this Ordinance.

Article 16

- (1) Forms of the doctoral dissertation are:
 - 1. Scientific monograph,
 - 2. A set of published scientific papers accompanied by a critical review chapter, consisting of an introduction, discussion, conclusion and a detailed overview of the relevant literature (i.e., the Scandinavian model). The critical review sets the results of doctoral work into the context of the existing scientific knowledge and it is possible only within the scope of the research work in the doctoral study, whereas scientific papers must be published only after enrolment to the doctoral study. Scientific papers which comprehensively are proposed as the doctoral dissertation must form a new logical whole consisting of at least three papers published in journals listed in the databases Web of Science, Scopus, ERIH or bases relevant for the field of research, and in line with the Ordinance on conditions for election to scientific grades (ranks), where at least once journal must have an impact factor greater than the median impact factor of the journal in the field of the doctoral research. Each paper, save with special explanations, may qualify only one doctoral candidate. The doctoral candidate must be the main author in at least two of the indicated papers. The comprehensive papers must provide a new scientific contribution in relation to the individual papers. Such a dissertation, including the published papers, shall undergo the same procedure of evaluation and assessment as all other forms of doctoral dissertations.

Article 17

(1) The doctoral dissertation may be written in Croatian or English.

- (2) The title, summary and key words of the doctoral dissertation must be written both in Croatian and in English. The summary must enable understanding of the goals of the dissertation, its research methods, results and conclusions.
- (3) The graphic layout of doctoral dissertations shall be prescribed by the University.

IX PROCEDURE OF APPLICATION, EVALUATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT DOCTORAL RESEARCH AND PROPOSAL OF THE MENTOR

Article 18

- (1) During study, at the earliest in the first, and at latest by the end of the fifth semester, the mentor and draft of the doctoral dissertation are determined (synopsis, topic).
- (2) When proposing the mentor and draft of the doctoral dissertation, the work conditions are determined, particularly the conditions of financing the research.
- (3) A doctoral candidate initiates the procedure of acceptance of the doctoral dissertation draft by submitting an application containing general information on the doctoral candidate, his curriculum vitae and list of published papers, title of the proposed doctoral dissertation, information on the proposed mentor and his competences, substantiation of the doctoral dissertation draft (synopsis, topic), and expected original scientific contribution of the suggested research, estimation of costs of research and statement that he has not submitted the same doctoral dissertation with the same topic in any other University study, or at another university. The doctoral dissertation draft shall be submitted on the appropriate University form.
- (4) The competent Department Council, at the motion of the Doctoral Studies Council, shall appoint an Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation draft and appointment of mentor. The Committee shall consist of three or five members, whereby at least one member shall not be an employee of the Faculty. A mentor may not be a member of the Committee, save in extraordinary cases with the consent of the Doctoral Studies Council.
- (5) The submitted doctoral dissertation draft shall be defended publicly, before the Committee for evaluation of the doctoral dissertation draft and mentor proposal.
- (6) The Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation draft and proposal of mentor shall assess the likelihood of the original scientific contribution, evaluates the financial feasibility of research and proposes the mentor. The Commission issues its evaluation no later than three months from the submission of the application and appointment.
- (7) The competent Department Council must state its opinion on the proposal of the Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation draft and appointment of the mentor at its next session.
- (8) The Natural Science Field Council proposes the doctoral dissertation draft and mentor to the University Senate for adoption. The Senate confirms the draft of the doctoral dissertation and the mentor at its next session.
- (9) All scientific research including humans or animals must be in compliance with the valid regulations, have the approval of the Ethics Committee of the Faculty and of any other institution where the research is being conducted, the consent of each participant if they are able to provide it, or the consent of their proxies or legal representatives. For research conducted in protected areas, on protected species or on the Red Listed species, the permission of the State Nature Conservation Institute is necessary.
- (10) The provisions of this Article shall apply equivalently to a case of double mentorship.

X EVALUATION PROCESS OF THE DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

Article 19

(1) A doctoral dissertation, with the written consent and opinion of the mentor on the conducted scientific research and achieved original scientific contribution, shall be submitted by the doctoral candidate to the competent Post-graduate Studies Office. Should the mentor refuse to provide his consent, he must within 15 days of the date of receipt of the notification, explain his reasons in writing. In both cases, the mentor's explanation, and if necessary the forms DR.SC-04 and DR.SC-05, shall be

submitted to the members of the Evaluation committee of the doctoral dissertation, who shall take this into account when evaluating the dissertation.

- (2) Prior to submitting the doctoral dissertation into the evaluation procedure, the competent Post-graduate Studies Office shall establish whether the doctoral candidate has fulfilled all the obligations required by the study programme.
- (3) For evaluation of the doctoral dissertation, the doctoral candidate shall attach his or her dissertation both in hard copy and in digital form.
- (4) The competent Department Council, upon motion of the Doctoral Studies Council, shall appoint the Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation. The Committee has three or five members, of which at least one member is not an employee of the Faculty, and if possible is an employee of another Croatian or international university or related institution. The mentor may not be a member of the Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation.
- (5) Members of the Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation must be elected at least to the scientific-teaching grade (rank) of assistant professor or grade (rank) of scientific associate or equivalent if the Committee member has achieved his position abroad.
- (6) Members of the Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation are required, until release of the evaluation, to handle all information and knowledge from the dissertation in a confidential manner, for protection of scientific contribution of the doctoral dissertation and intellectual property.
- (7) The Evaluation Committee of the doctoral dissertation is required, within three months of its appointment and receipt of the dissertation, not counting non-working days, to provide a written report with its evaluation of the doctoral dissertation. The Committee chairperson shall prepare a report according to the gathered opinions of Committee members, and the report shall be signed by all Committee members. Each Committee member is also entitled to submit a separate evaluation.
- (8) The Evaluation Committee for the doctoral dissertation in its report proposes:
 - 1. acceptance of the doctoral dissertation with an explicit statement on the achieved original scientific contribution, or
 - 2. requirement for additional work on the doctoral dissertation and final evaluation, or
 - 3. rejection of the doctoral dissertation, after which the doctoral candidate loses his right to acquire the title of doctor of sciences (PhD) in this study programme. The substantiation is an important part of the report.
- (9) At the first next session, the competent Department Council shall pass a decision on the dissertation evaluation and appoint the Committee for Defence of the dissertation.

XI PROCEDURE OF DOCTORAL DISSERTATION DEFENCE

Article 20

- (1) A doctoral candidate may approach the defence of doctoral dissertation, after the competent Department Council accepts the positive evaluation of the Evaluation Committee for the doctoral dissertation, no later than within two months.
- (2) The doctoral dissertation Defence Committee has three or five members. A doctoral dissertation Defence Committee may have the same composition as the Evaluation Committee for the doctoral dissertation. A mentor may not chair the doctoral dissertation Defence Committee.
- (3) Defence of a doctoral dissertation is public. An invitation for a public defence must be announced at least 8 days before the defence. The defence is held in the premises designated by the Doctoral Studies Council, in the language in which the doctoral dissertation was written, unless the Committee agrees otherwise with the doctoral candidate. The defence procedure shall be established by a protocol.
- (4) The doctoral dissertation Defence Committee passed the evaluation after the defence. A grade may be *rite*, *cum laude*, *magna cum laude* and *summa cum laude*. The evaluation grade is passed by the majority votes of the members of the doctoral dissertation Defence Committee.
- (5) The minutes of the defence procedure are drafted in Croatian, and in case of a defence in English, the minutes shall also be drafted in that language.
- (6) The final defence of a doctoral dissertation is held only once.

- (1) In case the results of the doctoral dissertation research include an innovation, eligible for the protection of intellectual property rights, a doctoral candidate and mentor may report this to the Technology transfer office of the University. In this case, a doctoral candidate may, with the consent of mentor, before submitting the doctoral dissertation for evaluation, request that the submitted doctoral dissertation be treated with confidentiality, until the moment of public defence.
- (2) The Technology transfer office shall conduct the procedure of legal protection and commercialisation of the research results in line with the Ordinance on the Technology transfer office. In that case, the public defence may be postponed, with the consent of the doctoral candidate, for no longer than one year from the submission of the doctoral dissertation for evaluation. Confirmation thereto of the Technology transfer office shall be attached to the application for postponing a public defence.
- (3) The doctoral candidate shall acquire the copyrights through the act of creating the doctoral dissertation.

XII PUBLICATION AND ARCHIVING OF THE DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

Article 22

A doctoral dissertation shall be published and archived in the manner and in accordance with the law, general regulations of the University of Zagreb and the Faculty.

XIII DOCTORAL GRADUATION CEREMONY

Article 23

- (1) A doctoral candidate acquires rights of a doctor of science anticipated under labour law, on the date of successful defence of his doctoral dissertation, and full rights of the academic title and diploma upon taking a solemn oath at the graduation ceremony and entry into the book of doctors of science.
- (2) Within one month of the defence, a doctoral candidate should complete the University form for doctoral graduation ceremony into the degree of the doctor of science and submit the doctoral dissertation, in accordance with the law, general regulations of the University and the Faculty.
- (3) The doctoral diploma is handed to the doctoral candidate by the Rector at a solemn ceremony, where a doctoral candidate may be present in person or through a proxy who must hold the title of doctor of science.

XIV MEANS OF QUALITY ASSURANCE OF DOCTORAL STUDIES

Article 24

- (1) The Doctoral Studies Council has the obligation to care for detailed records on research work and other performed study obligations of each individual doctoral candidate, including the obligations plan (e.g. drafting the doctoral candidate's portfolio). The Doctoral Studies Council has the obligation to take care of the workload and successfulness of mentors and keep records for each mentor on the number of enrolled candidates and number of candidates that have defended their doctoral dissertation.
- (2) The Doctoral Studies Council performs regular self-assessments of doctoral studies on the basis of reports of mentors and doctoral candidates, reporting it on the University form to the Department Council and the University, via the Dean of the Faculty.
- (3) Self-assessment reports shall be attached during the re-accreditation procedure.
- (4) Criteria of evaluation of doctoral studies include: scientific production of teachers and doctoral candidates, teaching, relevance and quality of doctoral dissertations, statistical indicators of study duration, statistic indicators of the annual number of new doctors in relation to the number of doctoral candidates, achieved international cooperation and employability of doctors of science.

XV REVOCATION OF ACADEMIC DEGREES

Article 25

- (1) In case the academic degree of doctor of science has been acquired contrary to the prescribed conditions for its acquisition, or should plagiarism be established or a procedure in research which is against ethical principles, the awarded academic degree may be revoked from the person (hereinafter: the reported person) in a procedure analogous to the procedure of awarding the academic degree.
- (2) A person deeming that an academic degree of doctor of science has been acquired contrary to the prescribed conditions, ethical principles or that it is a case of plagiarism, shall submit a written report to the Committee for Doctoral Dissertations of the University Zagreb. The Committee forwards the report to the holder of the academic degree.
- (3) When the Faculty receives the report, the Faculty Council, at the motion of the authorised Department Council, appoints a Committee that submits its report on the justification of the report. The Faculty Council decides on the report at its session where the reported person and the reporting person may attend. The decision of the Faculty Council shall be sent for approval to the competent bodies of the University.

XVI TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 26

(1) Doctoral candidates enrolled in doctoral studies at the Faculty on the date of entry of this Ordinance into force are entitled to complete their studies, and acquire the appropriate degree of doctor of science, in accordance with the teaching programme, conditions and legal rules in effect at the time of their enrolment in the first year of study, and not later than within 10 years of the date of enrolment to study.

Article 27

The Faculty Departments are required to align their regulations on doctoral studies with the provisions of this Ordinance no later than within 3 months of the date of its entry into force. Until then, the existing regulations shall apply, unless they are contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance.

Article 28

- (1) With the entry of this Ordinance into force, the Ordinance on doctoral studies at the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb, CLASS: 003-05/09-01/1; REG. NO.: 251-58-204-12-48 of 1 March 2012 shall cease to be valid.
- (2) This Ordinance shall enter into force on the eighth day from its publication on the Faculty notice board, and shall be applied to doctoral candidates enrolled to doctoral studies at the Faculty since the 2019/20 academic year. This Ordinance shall be published on the Faculty and Faculty departments websites.

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Zagreb, 4 July 2019

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This Ordinance was published on the Faculty website and Faculty notice board on 4 July 2019 and entered into force on 11 July 2019.

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