

Dear doctoral candidate,

You have been admitted to the doctoral procedure (Dr. med./Dr. med. dent.) and have not yet initiated the procedure.

On November 5, 2020, the new faculty doctoral regulations (FPromO) for Dr. med./Dr. med. dent. of the Medical Faculty came into force.

The innovations support the quality of medical doctorates, increase transparency and legal certainty and accelerate the procedures. You can find the text of the new FPromO on the following website: https://www.fau.de/fau/rechtsgrundlagen/promotions-und-habilitationsordnungen/#collapse_4

You can now choose whether you want to complete your doctoral procedure according to the regulations of the old or the new faculty doctoral regulations. You must declare your choice in writing to the Office of Doctoral Affairs by March 31, 2021 at the latest (see sample letter in the attachment). If you do not declare anything in writing to the Office of Doctoral Affairs, your doctoral procedure will be continued according to the new FPromO.

The changes relevant for you:

- A thesis that has been published in a scientific journal (doctoral candidate is lead author) must, according to the new FPromO, contain 15-20 pages of German or English text which clarify the relevance of the article to the scientific field of study (previously 10-25 pages in German).
- According to the new FPromO the reviewers have 2 months time to prepare the evaluations (previously 3 months)

According to the new FPromO, it is now mandatory to submit a supervision agreement at the time of admission. You do not have to submit a supervision agreement at a later date. Not even if you decide to complete your doctoral procedure according to the new FPromO.

If you do not wish to continue your doctoral procedure at all and wish to withdraw from the admission to the procedure, you will find the necessary form attached. Please send it by e-mail to promotion-zulassung@fau.de or by mail to the Promotionsbüro Medizin, S-Nachwuchs, Schlossplatz 4, 91054 Erlangen

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