

**Regulation Number (23) for the year 2015**  
**Regulations for the Awarding of the Doctorate Degree**  
**Issued in accordance with the Provisions of Article (9) for the System for Graduate Studies at**  
**Princess Sumaya University of Technology**

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**Definitions**

**Article (1):**

These regulations are called “The Regulations for the Awarding of the Doctorate Degree at Princess Sumaya University for Technology, No. (23), year 2015”. They shall be effective from the First Semester of the academic year 2015/2016.

**Article (2):**

The following words and terms, wherever stated in these regulations, shall carry the following meanings, unless the context should indicate otherwise:

**The University:** Princess Sumaya University for Technology

**The Deanship:** The Deanship of the King Abdullah I School of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research

**The Council:** The Graduate Studies Council at the King Abdullah I School of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research

**The Dean:** The Dean of the King Abdullah I School of Graduate Studies and Scientific Research

**The School:** The concerned School at the University

**The Department:** The academic department which offers the program

**The School Committee:** The School Graduate Studies Committee

**The Departmental Committee:** The Departmental Graduate Studies Committee

**The Academic Advisor:** The faculty member responsible for providing graduate students with academic guidance

**The Supervisor:** The faculty member responsible for supervising the student’s thesis

**The Program:** Any one of the Doctorate programs

**Article (3):**

The requirements for obtaining a PhD degree are (54) credit hours, according to the study plan approved by the Deans Council, and these requirements are distributed as follows:

a) Successful completion of the compulsory courses, which comprise (21) credit hours from the level (900).

b) Successful completion of (15) credit hours from the list of optional courses from the (900) level. The student may, upon the recommendation of the academic advisor and a recommendation from the department committee and a decision of the School Committee, study no more than (6) credit hours outside the study plan from the (700) level, provided that the course is related to the specialization. These shall be counted as optional courses.

c) For the purposes of graduation and the cumulative average, the student is entitled to a maximum of three credit hours for ‘Special Topics’ courses that he/she successfully completes.

- d) The student must pass the cognitive proficiency test in his/her field of specialization and related knowledge.
- e) The student must submit a dissertation that contributes something new to the field of science and knowledge, and successfully defend it.
- f) The student must publish (or have accepted for publication) at least two research papers in accredited journals or conferences for the purpose of promotion at the University. These must be related to the subject of the student's dissertation, and at least one of them should be published (or accepted for publication) in an approved specialized scientific journal from the first category.

#### **Article (4):**

- a) The Department Committee shall determine, upon the student's acceptance to the program, the remedial courses from the undergraduate and / or Master's level courses that are deemed necessary to raise the student's scientific level, provided that these do not exceed (9) credit hours. These courses shall be determined upon the admission of the student. The recommendation of the Department and School Committees and a decision of the Council may excuse the student from studying any remedial courses if he/she has documentary evidence of his/her proficiency in the previous stage.
- b) The student must successfully complete the remedial courses no later than the end of the first academic year in which he/she joins the program. In special cases the student may be allowed to exceed this period, by a decision from the Council and upon the recommendation of the academic advisor and the Department and School Committees.
- c) The credit hours for the remedial courses are not counted within the credit hours required to obtain the degree, and the result (mark) of these courses shall appear in the transcript as (Pass / Fail).

#### **Article (5):**

- a) The maximum period for obtaining a PhD degree shall be eight semesters, subject to extension of two semesters, with the approval of the Dean and upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees. The summer semester is not counted for this purpose. The minimum period for obtaining a PhD degree is six semesters.
- b) The summer semester is counted as a study semester and is intended to be used for preparation of the dissertation. In special cases, so deemed by the Department and School Committees, study courses may be offered during the summer semester.
- c) Any period of deferral or withdrawal, with a valid excuse, may not exceed two semesters. This period shall not be counted within the maximum period for obtaining the degree.

#### **Article (6):**

- a) Taking into consideration the maximum period of study for obtaining the PhD degree, the minimum academic load for each of the first and second semesters is (6) credit hours. The upper limit is (12) credit hours. Dissertation hours are included in the academic load.
- b) The maximum academic load in the summer semester is (6) credit hours. This may be raised to (9) credit hours if the academic burden includes remedial courses.
- c) In special cases determined by the Department and School Committees, and upon a decision from the Dean of the School, the student may be allowed to register (3) hours in the first or second semester, provided that this is only one time during his/her period of study, except for the graduation semester.
- d) The student should be unengaged from any other work for a minimum period of one academic year during the preparation of the dissertation. The Council may, in justified cases, take an appropriate decision regarding this period.

### **Admission**

#### **Article (7):**

The Deans Council shall decide at the beginning of each academic year the numbers of students who will be admitted to the programs, based on the recommendations of the Council and the Departmental and School Committees. The permitted capacity shall not be exceeded.

#### **Article (8):**

Applicants to any program must fulfill the following conditions:

1. To fulfill the conditions approved by the Council of Higher Education.
2. The applicant must hold a Bachelor's degree with a ranking of no less than (Good) or its equivalent, and a Master's degree with a ranking of no less than (Very good) or its equivalent.
3. The applicant must prove that he/she gained the Bachelor's and Master's degrees through the regular study system.
4. a) The applicant must have passed the TOEFL exam or its equivalent according to the principles approved by the Council of Higher Education.  
b) The applicant must pass the entrance examination set by the School and undergo the personal interview conducted by the School for this purpose.
- c) Admission preference is given to applicants according to the following criteria:
  1. 40 points for the Bachelor's degree
  2. 20 points for the Master's degree
  3. 15 points for scientific research published in scientific journals accredited by the University
  4. 20 points for the admission exam
  5. 5 points for practical experience in the field of specialization
- d) The concerned School shall set the basis for the distribution of points for the Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

#### **Article (9):**

The Council may, upon the recommendation of the Departmental and School Committees, set additional special conditions for enrollment in the programs offered by the University, taking into account the following:

- a) These conditions should not conflict with the regulations in force for graduate study programs.
- b) These conditions should be stated clearly in the study plan submitted for accreditation, and are considered part of it.

#### **Article (10):**

- a) Applications to join the programs shall be submitted on the form prepared for this purpose to the Deanship during the specified period, and all necessary documents shall be attached to these applications.
- b) The Deanship shall sort the requests, check them, and prepare a list of the applications that meet the requirements of the various programs. The list shall be sent along with the applications to the concerned Schools where they will be considered by the Department and School Committees. Upon approval of the applications, the applicants will be called to sit the admission exam and undergo personal interviews. At this point, recommendations to either accept or reject applicants will be raised to the Deanship.
- c) The Dean shall present the recommendations of the Department and School Committees to the Council to take the final decision of accepting students into the program concerned.

#### **Article (11):**

- a) A student may not be admitted to two programs of study at the same time, at any stage of his/her academic career.
- b) If the student is dismissed from the program in which he/she is enrolled, it is not permissible for him/her to be admitted to it again.

### **Postgraduate Committees and their Specializations**

#### **Article (12):**

- a) The Department Council shall form the Graduate Studies Committee in the Department and delegate to it the powers of the Department Council related to postgraduate studies.
- b) The Committee shall be formed of five members headed by the head of the department, taking into account the academic rank and the HEAC requirements for teaching and supervision in the program concerned.
- c) The Department Committee shall supervise graduate study affairs in the department in a manner that is consistent with the regulations and policies of graduate studies and research ethics and its terms of reference include the following:
  - 1. An academic advisor shall be appointed at the beginning of each semester for students of the same program in each department. The academic advisor must meet the requirements for teaching and supervision in programs, which are approved by the Higher Education Accreditation Commission.
  - 2. Make recommendations related to the following matters and submit them to the School Committee:

- Creating new programs.
- Monitoring and updating the existing programs' study plans.
- Preparing lists of students who have been approved for admission each year.
- Examine the results of the taught courses.
- Appointing supervisors and co-supervisors.
- Announcing the department's proposed research topics.
- Working on dissertation projects.
- Formation of defense committees.
- Setting the dates for defense sessions.
- Submitting lists of names of students nominated for scholarships and following up on their employment affairs.
- Coordinating academic seminars for the department's students.
- Holding regular meetings with graduate students.

### **Article (13):**

- a) The School Council shall form the School's Graduate Studies Committee and delegate to it the School Council's terms of reference related to graduate studies. The formation of the committee shall be as follows:
1. The dean of the School shall serve as chairman, or whomever he delegates, providing that person meets the HEAC requirements regarding supervising and teaching graduate programs.
  2. Two representatives from each academic department in the School, providing that they meet the conditions for supervision and teaching in graduate studies programs, which takes into account their academic rank.
- b) The School Committee shall supervise graduate study affairs in a manner consistent with the policies for graduate studies and scientific research ethics. Its terms of reference shall include the following:
1. Studying the suggestions and recommendations of the departmental committees.
  2. Making recommendations to the Council to create new programs in the School, or make amendments to existing programs or study plans.
  3. Submitting a list containing the names of the external examiners, their addresses and their exact specialties for each program, to the School of Graduate Studies, based on the recommendations of the Graduate Studies Committees in the various academic departments.
  4. Organizing general periodic meetings with graduate students at the School.
  5. Preparing an annual report on the progress of the School's programs.
  6. Approving the results of the exams given for each course within the program.
- c) In the absence of a Department Committee, the School Committee shall perform its functions.

### **Article (14):**

- a) A committee called the "University Theses and Dissertations Ethics Committee" shall be formed by a decision of the Council at the beginning of each academic year. The formation of the committee shall be as follows:
1. The dean / chairman.
  2. Two faculty members who hold the rank of professor shall represent each School.

- b) The committee may seek assistance from whom it deems appropriate in cases where it deems such action necessary.
- c) The task of this committee is to consider controversial issues of scientific research ethics regarding dissertations. It shall base its decisions upon the recommendation of the Department, School and Council Committees. The committee shall make judgments regarding the extent to which presented dissertations meet scientific research specifications and conditions, and shall take into account laws protecting intellectual property and privacy.

#### **Article (15):**

- a) The **academic advisor** shall assume the following responsibilities:
  1. Acquainting the student with the University's graduate studies philosophy, its policy, structure and regulations.
  2. Helping students to adapt and gain the skills necessary for success in graduate studies.
  3. Monitoring the student's academic status according to his strategic plan.
- b) The **supervisor** shall assume the following responsibilities:
  1. Supervising the student's progress with regard to the dissertation.
  2. Ensure that the student is well acquainted with the research topic.
  3. Being aware of the student's research capabilities and encouraging the student to develop the skills necessary to complete the research.
  4. Guiding the student and ensuring regular communication with him.
  5. Making a continuous evaluation of the student's performance and enabling him to complete the research by setting a specific research timetable.
  6. Reading the dissertation upon completion and ensuring that the student follows proper scientific methodology, especially with regard to scientific research ethics and copyright.
  7. Coordinating with the parties concerned with the student's defense session.
  8. Submitting a report each semester to the Department Committee chairperson regarding the student's dissertation progress.

#### **Article (16):**

- a) The Council may, upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, allow a transfer student who has previously studied PhD level courses at another university to be accredited with a maximum number of (9) credit hours for those courses.
- b) The maximum period for obtaining the degree shall be reduced by one semester if the student is credited (6) credit hours or more for the courses he/she had studied at another university prior to admission to the program.

#### **Article (17):**

The courses that the student studied at another university and wishes to have accredited must meet the following criteria:

- a) To correspond in terms of level and content with a course or courses in the prescribed study plan.
- b) The student's mark in each course is not less than (Very good) or its equivalent. No more than five years should have elapsed since the student studied and passed the course.

**Article (18):**

- a) A student enrolled in a PhD program at PSUT is permitted to study no more than (9) credit hours in a corresponding program at another university, provided that he/she has obtained prior approval from the Council on the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, and that no other course studied at another university has been accredited to the student's total number of credit hours.
- b) Marks gained in these courses shall not be included in the student's cumulative average.
- c) The minimum passing grade for each course within the program is (70%). The student must successfully pass remedial courses.

**Article (19):**

The student's cumulative average must not be less than (75%). Should the cumulative average be less than (75%), he/she must retake a maximum of (9) credit hours from the courses included in the PhD study plan in order to raise the cumulative average.

**Article (20):**

- a) If the student retakes a course because he/she fails it, or to raise the cumulative average, the higher mark is calculated for the semester and cumulative average and the other one remains on his/her academic record.
- b) If the retaken course is an elective, the student may study a different elective course, and the higher grade of the two is calculated in the semester and cumulative average and the other remains on his/her academic record.

**Article (21):**

- a) The distribution of marks for each course shall be as follows:
  - 1. Work carried out during the semester for which 60% of the mark is allocated. These shall include at least one written exam, to which 20-30% of the mark is allocated, and other works to which 30-40% of the mark is allocated.
  - 2. The final exam, to which 40% of the mark is allocated.
- b) Exempted from what is mentioned in Paragraph (a) are courses of a special nature such as: seminars, research projects, laboratories, and practical tests, which carry a number of credit hours. The marks for these courses are distributed according to criteria determined by the Department Committee.

**Article (22):**

a) Courses within the PhD programs are graded as shown in the following Table:

<b>Mark</b>	<b>Ranking</b>
Less than 70	Fail
70 – less than 80	Good
80 – less than 90	Very good
90 - 100	Excellent

B) The student's ranking upon graduation from the PhD program is determined after calculating the cumulative average for the courses required in the study plan, according to the following Table:

<b>Cumulative Average</b>	<b>Ranking</b>
75 - less than 80	Good
80 – less than 88	Very good
88 – 100	Excellent

### **Cognitive Aptitude Test Article (23):**

The cognitive aptitude test is held in the field of specialization and related knowledge, and aims to measure the following:

1. The depth of the student's understanding and knowledge of the basics of the specialization.
2. The student's ability to think analytically in dealing with issues and problems related to the field of specialization.
3. The student's ability to provide new solutions or innovations to theoretical and practical problems in the field of specialization.
4. The student's ability to systematically research and interpret cognitive data.

### **Article (24):**

The Department Committee is responsible for:

- a) Organizing and administering the test, ensuring that it covers the fields of compulsory courses. References and indicative readings shall be made known to students, and its date shall be announced at least one semester before students are due to take the test.
- b) Making recommendations to the School Committee to form a committee of three to five members, including the chairman. All members must meet the HEAC's requirements regarding supervising and teaching graduate study programs. They shall be chosen from those faculty members who specialize



in the test subject and they shall be asked to write the questions and correct the answer papers. The decision to form the committee is issued by the Council.

- c) Submitting the test results to the School Committee to study it and recommend it to the Council for approval.

#### **Article (25):**

- a) The student shall take the test after successfully completing a minimum of 21 credit hours with a cumulative average of no less than 75%.
- b) The exam shall be held twice during the academic year.
- c) If the student fails the test, he/she can apply for it only a second time. Upon failing the test a second time, the student will be dismissed from the program.
- d) The minimum passing score for the test is 75%.
- e) The student's test result shall be recorded in the transcript with the words (Pass) or (Fail) each time he/she takes the test.
- f) The student's result is recorded in the semester in which he takes the test, even if he/she withdraws from that semester. The word 'Withdrawn' shall be entered in the academic record against the courses for which the student registered in the semester from which he/she withdraws.

#### **Attendance**

#### **Article (26):**

- a) If the student has absences, without an excuse considered acceptable by the School's dean, exceeding (20%) of the total hours allotted to any course, he/she shall be prohibited from taking the final exam, and the mark recorded for that course shall be (60%). This result shall be included in the calculation of the student's semester and cumulative averages for warning and dismissal purposes. The student must retake the course if it is a compulsory one.
- b) If the student has absences, with an excuse considered acceptable by the School's dean, exceeding (20%) of the total hours allotted to any course or courses, he/she is considered to have withdrawn from the course or courses.

#### **Article (27):**

A student who fails to attend the final exam, and offers an excuse considered acceptable by the School's dean, shall have a note of (Incomplete) added to his/her record. The course instructor shall be notified of the decision to accept the excuse for the purpose of conducting a makeup exam. The student must take the makeup exam within a maximum period of the end of the first month of the semester following the semester in which he/she was absent, unless the next semester is officially deferred or the student has an excusable interruption in study, in which case the exam must be held in the semester following the deferred semester.

### **Article (28):**

Doctoral students are subject to the same regulations as those for the granting of an undergraduate degree at the University regarding the required procedures for providing a medical excuse for absence.

### **Withdrawal**

#### **Article (29):**

- a) The student is permitted to withdraw from studying one or more courses before the start of the final exams, and a note of (Withdrawn) shall be made in his/her record, provided that the student's academic load after withdrawal does not fall below (6) credit hours.
- b) A student who has a total number of absences, with an excuse considered acceptable by the School's dean, exceeding (20%) of the hours allotted to the semester's courses shall be considered to have withdrawn from that semester. This period is not counted within the upper limit for the period of study allowed for obtaining the degree, nor within the upper limit of the deferral period. This event is only permitted once during the student's time of study at the University.
- c) The dean of the School may approve the student's withdrawal from all the courses for which he/she registered in the semester, provided that the request for withdrawal is submitted at least two weeks before the date of the final exams. A note of (Withdrawn) shall be entered in the student's record, and his/her study for that semester is considered deferred.
- d) The dean may approve the student's final withdrawal from the program in which he/she was accepted, provided that he/she submits the final withdrawal request at least two weeks before the date of the final exams.
- e) A student who withdraws from a program may not be accepted into the same program again if the cumulative average at the time of withdrawal is less than (75%).

### **Deferral**

#### **Article (30):**

It is stipulated that the student applying for a deferral of study must have completed at least one semester in the program he/she enrolled in.

#### **Article (31):**

The request for deferral shall be submitted according to the form issued by the Deanship. Approval will be given by the Dean if the deferral is for one semester and by the Council if it is for two consecutive semesters.

#### **Article (32):**

If the semester ends, and the student has not registered or deferred study for that semester, his/her registration at the University shall be void, unless he/she submits a compelling excuse acceptable to the competent authority, according to the following:

- a) The Council: If the interruption of study does not exceed one semester, this interruption is considered a deferral and is counted within the upper limit allowed for deferral.
- b) The Deans Council: If the interruption of study exceeds more than one semester, this interruption is considered a deferral and is counted within the upper limit allowed for deferral.

## **Warnings and Dismissal**

### **Article (33):**

The student shall receive a warning in the following cases:

- a) If, at the end of any semester, he/she has not obtained the minimum cumulative average for the courses studied throughout that semester, with the exception of the first semester after registration.
- b) If the School Council considers, based on a report from the supervisor and a recommendation from the Department and School Committees, that the student has not been diligent in preparing the dissertation.

### **Article (34):**

a) The student shall be dismissed from the program in the following cases:

1. If he/she does not obtain the minimum cumulative average in the courses at the end of the two semesters following the issuing of the warning.
2. If he/she fails the cognitive aptitude test twice.
3. If the result of the dissertation defense is (Fail).
4. If he/she does not fulfill the graduation requirements within the maximum allowed period.

b) The Deanship of Admissions and Registration shall issue academic warning decisions, while decisions regarding final dismissal from the University shall be issued by the Deans Council based on the recommendation of the Dean of Admissions and Registration.

c) The student shall be notified of such decisions via the available means of communication.

## **Supervision**

### **Article (35):**

- a) At the beginning of each semester, the academic departments within each School shall announce the research topics proposed by the department's faculty members so that graduate students can benefit from them in determining the topics of their dissertations. The student has the right to submit a research idea from outside the announced topics.
- b) The student shall present a dissertation research project, which shall include the research topic, its objectives, importance, methodology and references.
- c) The Department Committee shall form a committee of specialists from the department, of no less than three faculty members who meet the HEAC requirements for supervising and teaching in the program, to discuss the student's dissertation project plan.

- d) The student may submit a draft of the dissertation plan after completing (21) credit hours with a minimum cumulative average of (75%). The draft plan and the registration of the student's dissertation may not be officially approved until the student passes the cognitive proficiency test. The student must pass the text in a period not exceeding six semesters after enrollment in the program.
- e) On the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, the Council shall issue a decision that includes appointing the supervisor and approving the dissertation title and draft plan, using the form prepared by the Deanship.
- f) The period between approval of the plan and fixing the date for the defense session shall be at least eight months.

#### **Article (36):**

- a) Teaching and supervision in the programs shall be undertaken by faculty members who meet the requirements for teaching and supervision in the program set by the Ministry of Higher Education and the HEAC.
- b) The burden of supervising theses and dissertations shall be calculated for the faculty member at maximum as (4) credit hours. The number of theses and / or dissertations that any faculty member is responsible for supervising should not exceed (6) per semester.
- c) It is permissible upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees and based upon a proposal by the supervisor and by a decision of the Council to appoint a co-supervisor from inside or outside the University, provided that he/she is appointed or qualified for appointment to the University and meets the conditions set by the HEAC for supervision and teaching in the program.
- d) In special cases, a supervisor may be appointed from outside the School or University, provided that the conditions set by the HEAC are met for supervision and teaching in the program. Such an appointment shall be made upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, and by a decision of the Council.

#### **Article (37):**

- a) The supervisor may be changed under certain conditions where the Department and School Committees deem it to be beneficial, and the decision is approved by the Council.
- b) The dissertation title, topic, and / or plan may be modified if the circumstances of the research so require, and the amendment will be carried out in the same way in which it was initially approved.

#### **Article (38):**

Upon a decision by the Council and upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, a faculty member who is on leave may be permitted to supervise the student's dissertation, or continue to supervise or participate in it.

#### **Article (39):**

- a) Subject to what is stated in Paragraph (b) of Article (36), the supervisor is credited for each dissertation supervised by one credit hour in one semester, as of the beginning of the semester in which he was appointed supervisor and for no more than five semesters.
- b) In the event that there is joint supervision of the dissertation, the supervision burden shall be distributed equally.

### **The Defense Committee**

#### **Article (40):**

The defense committee shall be made up of:

- a) The supervisor / Chairperson
- b) The co-supervisor (if any).
- c) Two faculty members from the University who meet the requirements of the Higher Education Accreditation Commission for supervision and teaching in the program.
- d) A member from outside the University who meets the requirements stipulated by the Higher Education Accreditation Commission for supervision and teaching in the program.
- e) In justified cases, it is permissible to add another member, either from inside or outside the University, to whom the HEAC's conditions for supervision apply.

#### **Article (41):**

- a) The defense committee shall be appointed and the date of the defense determined by a decision of the Council upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, according to the following arrangement:
  - 1. The supervisor shall prepare a report on the readiness of the dissertation for defense regarding academic content, the language, and commitment to scientific integrity, according to the approved dissertation plan. The report shall show the percentage of texts received according to the available means.
  - 2. The supervisor shall propose a list of four faculty members from within the University and three external examiners who meet the HEAC requirements to supervise and teach in the program, using the form prepared for this purpose.
- b) The student shall submit copies of the dissertation in its final form to the committee members after it has been formed upon a decision by the Council, at least four weeks prior to the date of the defense. The student shall attach a written declaration stating his/her commitment to ethical standards and scientific integrity in preparing the dissertation.
- c) If the committee finds that there is academic fraud involved in preparing the dissertation, it shall not be submitted for discussion.

### **The Dissertation Defense**

#### **Article (42):**

Subject to paragraph (f) of Article (3) of these regulations, the student shall submit an application to stand in defense of the university dissertation after meeting all the conditions and passing the exams laid forth in the study plan, successfully completing all the requirements of the study plan with a minimum cumulative average of (75%).

#### **Article (43):**

The defense of the dissertation is carried out as follows:

1. The student presents a summary of the dissertation followed by the defense.
2. The chairman of the committee takes charge of the defense. Upon its completion, the committee deliberates until it reaches a majority decision by its members of one of the following results:
  - a) Pass. In this case, the student must submit the dissertation within two weeks of the date of the defense.
  - b) Pass, with the need for minor modifications. In this case, the student must make the required amendments and submit the dissertation within four weeks of the date of the defense, along with an attached report from the supervisor stating that the required amendments have been made.
  - c) Pass, with the need for substantial modifications. In this case, the student must amend the dissertation within a period of no less than three months and no more than six months from the date of the defense. The student shall register (zero) hours in the following semester if the legal maximum period of study has not been exceeded. The student is considered to have passed if the committee approves the dissertation. Otherwise, the student is considered to have failed.
  - d) Fail.
3. The Council, upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, may extend the deadline for submitting the dissertation in its final form, as specified in Clause (2) of this Article in exceptional cases accepted by the Council.

#### **Article (44):**

- a) The decision of the defense committee shall be approved by the Council upon the recommendation of the Department and School Committees, using the form prepared for this purpose.
- b) The dissertation title shall be recorded in the student's transcript in Arabic and English.

### **Granting the Degree**

#### **Article (45):**

A Doctor of Philosophy degree is awarded by a decision of the Deans Council, upon the recommendation of the Council.

#### **Article (46):**

An honorary doctorate may be awarded by decision of the Deans Council, upon the recommendation of the University President.

## **General Provisions**

### **Article (47):**

The Deans Council may take a decision to withdraw the academic degree if it becomes evident at any time that this degree has been obtained by illegal means, or that the dissertation submitted for obtaining the academic degree is not in accordance with its content and the standards of academic integrity. In this case, the relevant authorities within and outside the University shall be informed of this the decision.

### **Article (48):**

For the purposes of scientific research, online publishing, and exchange with educational and research institutions and universities, the student shall give written authorization to the University of the right to photograph the dissertation in whole or in part and in various forms.

### **Article (49):**

The regulations for granting a Bachelor's degree at the University shall be applied to cases where there is no provision regarding attendance, warning, dismissal, deferral and withdrawal.

### **Article (50)**

The Deans Council shall decide on any problems arising from the application of these regulations and / or cases for which no provision is given in these regulations.

### **Article (51):**

The President of the University, the Dean, the Deans of the Schools, and heads of committees in the Schools and departments shall be held responsible for implementing these regulations.