

Declarations on the Application for Admission to the Doctoral Qualification Process
according to § 5 (2) and, if applicable, § 6 (1) and (2) of the Doctoral Degree Regulations
of the Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences

Name: _____ First name: _____
Title of Dissertation: _____

Please only check declarations that apply. Cross out those that do not apply!

Declaration on independent academic work

1.) For monographs:

- ☐ **I hereby declare** that the thesis I submit for my doctorate with the title mentioned above is my own independent work, that I used only the sources and resources cited and have clearly indicated all content adopted either word-for-word or in substance. I solemnly swear that this information is true and that I have not concealed any relevant information. I am aware that making a false declaration is punishable by a fine or by a prison term of up to three years.
- ☐ **I am aware** that the use of texts or content created with AI does not guarantee their quality, and I am responsible if the use of such tools leads to incorrect content, violations of data protection law, copyright, or scientific misconduct (e.g. plagiarism).

I assure that in the case of using AI:

- i. I have used it solely as an aid and that my own creative input prevails in the present work;
- ii. I have indicated which AI tools I have used, for what purposes, and to what extent. In the event of using AI, I have attached an appendix to the admissions application form in which I have described my use of AI.

[Note: What type and extent of the use of AI is appropriate, how the creative influence of this technology is to be assessed, and how the appendix on the use of AI should be written depends on subject-specific considerations and is determined through discussion with the respective supervisors.]”

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Or alternatively:

2.) For publication-based dissertations or collaborative projects:

- ☐ My dissertation contains academic publications or manuscripts meant for publication and/or parts of my dissertation are a part of one or several collaborative projects according to § 6 (2) of the doctoral degree regulations.
- I have therefore attached the supplementary declaration to the application for admission to the doctoral procedure for publication-oriented or publication-based dissertations.**

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**Additional Declarations for the Application for Admission
to the doctoral qualification process:**

- ☐ I have not been part of any previous discontinued or completed doctoral qualification process or equivalent examination process
(If you have: please include an explanation of when and where, in which subject and what the result was.)
- ☐ The dissertation submitted has not been submitted in whole or in part as a dissertation or other examination paper.
(If you have: please include an explanation of when and where, in which subject and what the result was.)
- ☐ I declare that I did not obtain the opportunity to take part in this doctoral qualification process by commercial means. I declare in particular that I did not make use of an organization that finds supervisors for dissertations for a fee or that completed this work in whole or in part for me. I confirm that I am aware of the legal consequences of using commercial doctorate agencies (exclusion from acceptance as a doctoral student and exclusion from admission to the doctoral qualification process, termination of the doctoral qualification process and revocation of the degree obtained due to fraud according to § 21 of the doctoral degree regulations).
- ☐ I declare that there are no criminal convictions, disciplinary measures or pending criminal or disciplinary proceedings against me related to academics.
(If such convictions or proceedings have occurred or are pending: please include a police record that was issued within the last six months)
- ☐ I hereby declare that the printed version and electronic version of my dissertation are the same in every regard. I consent to my dissertation being checked for plagiarism.
- ☐ I am aware that I will not hold the doctorate title until the day on which I receive the degree certificate, and that all of the rights I achieved based on the examination are lost if I do not meet the deadline (2 years after passing the oral defense) for submitting the required number of copies of the published dissertation.

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