

## Survey to ascertain doctoral students' degree of satisfaction with the doctorate in XXXXXX

This survey is part of the UPF Internal Quality Assurance System and is one of the channels you as a doctoral student have for expressing your satisfaction regarding different aspects related to the doctoral programme. Participation is anonymous and the results will be used to make suggestions for improvements related to the doctorate.

### SECTION 1. Doctoral student profile

This section poses a series of questions to find out the profile of the doctoral student and his or her connection with the doctoral programme.

- 1) Year of birth: .....
- 2) Sex:
  - Male
  - Female
- 3) Nationality: .....
- 4) Please state from which university you obtained the academic qualification that gave you access to the doctorate:
  - From UPF
  - From a Catalan university, other than UPF
  - From a Spanish university, barring Catalan universities
  - From a European university, barring Spanish universities
  - From a university in Africa
  - From a university in the US or Canada
  - From a university in Latin America
  - From a university in Asia
  - From a university in the rest of the world
- 5) Please state your dedication to the doctorate:
  - Full time (FT)
  - Part time (PT)
- 6) Please state which year of the doctorate you are currently doing:
  - 1<sup>st</sup>
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - 4<sup>th</sup> (for PT)
  - 5<sup>th</sup> (for PT)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> extension
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> extension
- 7) Do you receive or have you received any type of funding (scholarship or grant)?
  - Yes → What kind of scholarship have you received?  
→ For how many years?
  - No
- 8) Please state which of these situations is currently applicable to you:
  - a) I am working exclusively on the research for my doctoral thesis but I do not receive a scholarship and I do not have a pre-doctoral contract.
  - b) I am working exclusively on the research for my doctoral thesis and I receive a scholarship or have a pre-doctoral contract.
    - b.1) Do you have any teaching obligations?

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- b.2) If you answered b.1 affirmatively, how many hours per academic year?
- c) I combine the research for my doctoral thesis with other professional activities.

### SECTION 2. Motivation to do my doctorate at UPF and access to the programme

This section poses a series of questions to find out why you decided to do the doctorate at UPF and your assessment of the process of access to the doctoral programme.

- 9) Please state the degree of influence of the following items when you decided to register for this doctoral programme, where 1 is not at all important and 5, very important:
  - a) Because of the prestige of Pompeu Fabra University
  - b) Because of the research team
  - c) Because of my thesis supervisor
  - d) On the advice of my teachers
  - e) Because of its proximity to my place of residence
  - f) Because I had already studied at UPF
  - g) Because I could not access another doctorate
  - h) Because of the city of Barcelona
  - i) Because of the price
  - j) Because I have family and/or friends in Barcelona
  - k) For other reasons

Please state your degree of satisfaction with the following items related to your access to the doctoral programme, where 1 is not at all satisfactory and 5, highly satisfactory:

- 10) The information about the doctoral programme provided by UPF
- 11) The clarity of the admission requirements
- 12) The clarity of the registration process
- 13) The service provided by the Admissions Office **No posar en l'enquesta d'ECO**
- 14) Your reception at the University

### SECTION 3. Organization and development of the doctoral programme

In this section we wish to find out your satisfaction with respect to your thesis supervisor and also with the services and material resources available both from the doctoral programme and from the department or other UPF services, or from the institution at which you are doing your research for your thesis.

#### Appraisal of your thesis supervisor

Please score between 1 and 5, where 1 is not at all satisfactory and 5, highly satisfactory, your degree of satisfaction with various aspects that involve your thesis supervisor:

- 15) Your thesis supervisor's supervision and monitoring of the **research plan**.
- 16) Arranging appointments, face-to-face or online, with your thesis supervisor.
- 17) The overall supervision and monitoring of the thesis.

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**Appraisal of the doctoral programme**

Please score between 1 and 5, where 1 is not at all satisfactory and 5, highly satisfactory, your degree of satisfaction with the services and material resources available both from the doctoral programme and from the department or other UPF services, or from the institution at which you are doing your research for your thesis:

- 18) The support provided by the department secretariat from admission to the programme until reading your doctoral thesis
- 19) Access to the relevant information about the doctoral programme
- 20) The application of supervision and monitoring of the doctoral thesis
- 21) The number and type of training activities offered to doctoral students
- 22) The facilities offered when applying for scholarships and grants
- 23) The facilities offered when organizing research stages
- 24) The material resources (facilities —spaces, laboratories, libraries...—, technological infrastructures, scientific and technical equipment and materials...) that are available to you to carry out your thesis
- 25) The suitability of any teaching you may render as a doctoral student and its compatibility with and your research tasks
- 26) The information and facilities that the programme offers for publishing articles in journals
- 27) The guidance offered to doctoral students in relation to career opportunities
- 28) The mechanisms for solving conflicts in the event of disagreement with the thesis supervisor
- 29) Your integration into the life of the department or centre where you are doing your doctoral thesis

**GENERAL APPRAISAL of the doctoral programme**

- 30) I am (1 not at all satisfied, 5 completely satisfied) with the doctoral programme
- 31) The doctoral programme has lived up to my initial expectations (1 completely disagree, 5 very much agree)
- 32) Is there any aspect related to the doctorate that you consider important about which we have not asked you? Please state which:

- 33) Please state what you value most positively about the doctoral programme (max. 3 items):

- 34) Please state what you would most quickly change about the doctoral programme (max. 3 items):

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**SECTION 4. Prospects for the future**

35) What future prospects do you have when you finish your doctorate?