Study programme: Applied Security

## PREPARING THE DRAFT OF PhD THESIS

Lecturer: mentor

Course status: Required

**ECTS:** 12

Requirement: /

#### Course aims

The goal is to prepare a Dissertation Draft of PhD thesis during the fourth semester of doctoral studies, with the necessary elements that the PhD thesis must contain, which will be further the basis for scientific research and development of the doctoral dissertation itself. The preparation of the doctoral dissertation draft is the result of an agreement with the mentor and represents a detailed scientific research program, which will be included in the PhD thesis, and is evaluated with 12 ESPBs.

## The outcome of the course:

The student prepares the draft of PhD thesis independently.

#### **Course content**

- Consultation with a mentor about the final topic of the PhD thesis
- Defining the hypothesis of research
- Choosing a research method
- Preliminary content of PhD thesis
- An agreement on a scientific research that will be covered by doctoral dissertation

### Literature:

- 1. Scientific and research literature.
- 2. Earlier defended PhD thesis in the given field.
- 3. Estelle Phillips, Derek. S. Pugh: How to get a PhD: a handbook for students and their supervisors 5th Edition, Open University Press, 2010.

Number of active teaching classes: Theory classes: Practice classes:

## **Teaching methods**

Consultations, independent and group work, discussions, simulations.

# Knowledge assessment (max 100)

Defining the Draft of PhD thesis - 20 points

Preparation of the PhD thesis draft - 50 points,

Written presentation and oral defense of the PhD thesis draft -30 points