

***"El doctorat com a etapa formativa. Una aproximació a l'ètica en la recerca i a la bona pràctica."***

*L'Escola de Doctorat, el rol dels tutors i els directors, i el codi de bones pràctiques*

The doctoral commitment document

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## La masia can Miró



**Faculties manage Undergraduate and Master Programmes.**

**The Doctoral School manages the PhD Programmes.**

26.975 degree students

2.339 master students

Faculty/  
Engineering School

Years

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Third cycle of official  
university study

4.186 PhD candidates



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**Doctoral School**



The doctorate is leading to the acquisition of skills and abilities related to high-quality academic research, culminating in the presentation and defence of a doctoral thesis. This implies carrying out an original research project and an individualised training programme that is both specialised and transversal.



The **Doctoral School at UAB** is created in 2014.

Its primary objective is the organization of the studies and activities of the PhD, with the firm commitment to develop continuous improvement and quality policies for the PhD Programmes.

UAB's Doctoral School aims at responding to the challenges of present society, actively involving itself in promoting research, experimental development and innovation as the main elements on which sustainable economic development and social welfare should be established.

# The Doctoral School

The UAB has over 65 PhD programmes regulated by Royal Decree 99/2011, on PhD studies, and these are categorised in 5 areas of interest: Arts and Humanities, Sciences, Social and Juridical Sciences, Health Sciences and Engineering.

<http://uab.cat/phd/>



## **School for Doctoral Studies Code of Good Practice**

<http://www.uab.cat/doc/code-practice-doctorate-school-en>

As an integral part of the UAB, the School for Doctoral Studies subscribes to and adopts this commitment which it has formalised in a code of good practice. This is understood as the code of values and principles that inspire all its activities and are adopted by all those participating in them.

This code of good practice has to guide the direction and monitoring of PhD candidates and their doctoral theses. The School for Doctoral Studies therefore has an internal agreement which sets out the rights and responsibilities of the thesis supervisors, tutors and PhD candidates.

The School for Doctoral Studies Code of Good Practice is a set of recommendation and commitments that acts as a guide to PhD candidates in their joint situation as postgraduate students and trainee researchers.

The **doctoral-commitment document** is a written agreement that establishes the framework for relations between the PhD candidate, his/her tutor, the thesis supervisor (or co-supervisors) and the UAB, and the rights and duties of each.

PhD candidates, tutors and supervisors (and co-supervisors) assigned to them together draw up a commitment document setting out the conditions under which they will collaborate, the duties and work schedules of the candidate, the thesis supervisor and the tutor, the system for resolving disputes, etc. This document is signed by the candidate, the thesis supervisor (cosupervisors), the tutor, and the programme coordinator.



Mutual collaboration between the doctoral candidate and the thesis

The thesis supervisor's obligations and dedication

The doctoral candidate's obligations and dedication

The doctoral tutor's obligations and dedication

Confidentiality . Intellectual/Industrial Property

Dispute Resolution

Information that must be included:

1. General agreement on number and frequency of meetings between the doctoral candidate and the thesis supervisor, which may have been established by the doctoral programme itself. Storage of documentary evidence pertaining to each meeting (messages, minutes, paper-format notes, etc.).
2. Specialised and transversal training activities.
3. System of access to spaces, infrastructure and materials relating to the research in question





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