



**SUA · FEM**  
Faculty  
of Economics  
and Management

# DOCTORAL STUDY

FACULTY OF ECONOMICS  
AND MANAGEMENT  
SLOVAK UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE  
IN NITRA

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# WHY to choose us?



FEM has a special professional position and a long-term stable position due to its educational and scientific research activities. This is also why FEM is regularly rated as one of the best Slovak economic faculties.

The long-term intention of the Faculty of Economics and Management of SPU in Nitra is to be **among the best European research workplaces and to connect science and research with practice, to be involved in solving international, national and local scientific and research problems.**

For this purpose, increased emphasis is placed on the quality of education and its connection to research, especially at the doctoral level of study. The Faculty of Economics and Management has been offering doctoral studies for more than **60 years.**



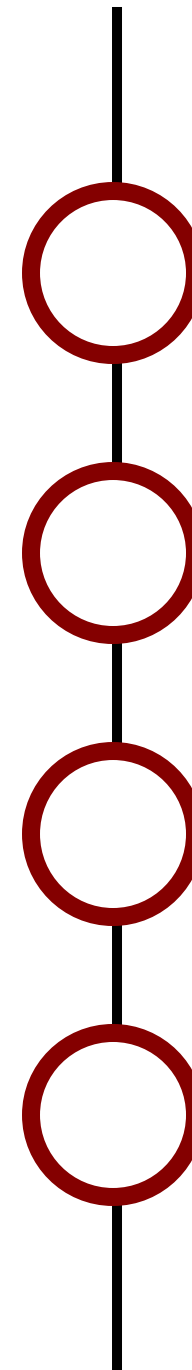


# PhD structure at FEM SUA

The PhD program at FEM SUA spans three years (full-time) or four years (external) and consists of 180 credits: 60 for coursework and 120 for research.

From the first year, students focus on independent research while completing compulsory coursework and participating in seminars, conferences, and workshops.

PhD students are also required to engage in teaching activities, such as lecturing, grading, or supervising students. The program culminates in a public defense of the dissertation, after which the title "PhD" is awarded for conducting original research and presenting it effectively.



## Credits Breakdown

60 for coursework, 120 for research.

## Teaching Requirement

Involvement in teaching, grading, or student supervision is mandatory.

# Economics and Management of Agriculture and Food Processing

Our doctoral program is designed to equip you with cutting-edge knowledge and skills in the economics and management of agriculture and food industries. You will engage with the latest scientific advancements and apply them to real-world challenges.

The program benefits from close collaboration with the Research Centre AgroBioTech (RCAB) – a unique multidisciplinary platform focused on applied research in agriculture, biotechnology, food sciences, and bioeconomy. RCAB provides access to modern laboratories and supports innovation and sustainability in agri-food systems.

Graduates of this program excel in international academic environments, public and private research institutions, and as policymakers and leaders in multinational companies. Become a leader in agriculture and food industry economics and make a lasting impact!



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# Business Economics and Management

Shape strategy. Lead with insight. Create impact. Our doctoral program in Business Economics and Management prepares you to tackle real-world economic and managerial challenges through rigorous scientific research and advanced analytical thinking. You will master the principles and methods of scientific work, learn to interpret complex data, and develop strategies that respond to the dynamics of globalization and business transformation.

Throughout your studies, you will gain hands-on experience through mobility at foreign universities or research institutions, participation in international conferences, and publishing in academic journals. With a focus on economic analysis, business strategy, and applied management practices, you'll be equipped to solve problems in diverse organizational environments.

Graduates of this program become university educators, researchers, economic strategists, or leaders in public administration and the private sector. Join a community of forward-thinking scholars at FEM SPU in Nitra—and make your mark on the future of business and economics.



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# Agrarian Trade and Marketing

The Doctoral study program in Agrarian Trade and Marketing is designed for individuals seeking advanced knowledge, skills, and competencies in the field of marketing, business, and consumer studies, as well as the opportunity to conduct original empirical research.

Graduates of this program are well-equipped to work in international academic environments, public or private research institutions, and as policymakers in the trade sector, particularly with a focus on the agrarian and food industries. They can also hold marketing management positions in local or multinational companies. By developing strong quantitative and qualitative research skills, graduates will be able to apply their in-depth knowledge and make significant contributions to industry, the public sector, or society.

Several PhD research projects involve the use of cutting-edge technologies in the Laboratory of Consumer Studies at the Faculty of Economics and Management at SUA Nitra or require close cooperation with the Creative Centre at SUA Nitra. Dedicated supervisors and consultants are available to support you on your scientific journey!



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# A Step-by-Step Guide to Applying for PhD at FEM



Find a study programme  
and topic of PhD thesis

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A master's degree is required  
for admission to the PhD  
program.



APPLY NOW



Register via [E-system](#) and filled  
in [Application Form](#) for doctoral  
study with all supplements.

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Afterward, as a PhD candidate, you will  
be invited to an entrance exam to  
present your PhD project outline.

# Mandatory Supplements:

**01**

**Curriculum  
vitae**

(original signed by  
doctoral candidate) in  
English

**02**

**Proof of completed  
Master degree**

officially recognised at  
the Slovak Republic,  
see [Recognition of  
higher education](#)

**03**

**Certified copy of the Master  
diploma/degree certificate**

a certified copy (by notary) in a  
foreign language and an  
official translation in the Slovak  
language is required.

**04**

**Diploma  
supplement**

certified copy (by  
notary) in a foreign  
language and an official  
translation in the Slovak  
language is required.

**05**

**Outline of proposed  
PhD project**

for the selected dissertation topic  
the candidate writes a brief and  
well-structured outline of the  
dissertation proposal within the  
maximum of 5 pages, A4 format

**06**

**Motivation  
letter**

**07**

**Certified copy of  
Language Qualifications**

**08**

**Handling  
fee**

Proof of payment of the fee  
for admission procedure



# Tuition fees

University education in Slovakia, including the FEM PhD Programme, is free of charge for PhD. students studying in Slovak language at a present form.

- Part time students studying in English language pay € 2500 for academic year.
- Full time students studying in English language pay € 1900 for academic year.
- Part-time students studying in Slovak language pay € 1500 for academic year.

Other costs which you may have to take into account:

- Application fee, if applicable: 50 €
- Medical insurance (if from outside the EU): 100–150 €
- Third-Party Liability insurance: around 15 €
- Extracurricular activities (e.g. sports, library): 20–40 €



# Important dates



The date for sending application forms is  
**May 1 – May 31, 2025**



Entrance exam:  
**June 12, 2025**

## Contact us



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# Thank You