Doctor of Professional Studies
by Published Works (DProf)

Monarch Business School Switzerland
Monarch Executive Institute

Introduction

The Doctor of Professional Studies by Published Works is designed to meet the requirements of high performing working professionals who already have published works or are in the preparation stage of publishing which influence professional practice and contribute to new knowledge.

The Doctor of Professional Studies program is open to all professional areas. The focus of the program is unique as it is tailored to the context of the candidate's professional work environment and activities in combination with their own specific area of interest and expertise. During the program candidates will critically review their own published works and critique their contributions to knowledge made to establish further learning. The critique describes the aims of the research that has been undertaken to produce the publications, incorporates an analytical discussion of the main results and contribution and puts the total work submitted in context.

Highlights

- The program focuses on the candidate's professional working environment and activities and places the candidate at the center of its unique and personalized study.
- The program recognizes the candidate's contributions to, and influence made in their professional work environment, the creation of knowledge and applied practice of doctoral level activities.
- During the program candidates will perform a comprehensive individual critique of their prior published works, develop new works, and derive further learning from the knowledge outcomes by placing their works in the wider context of the candidate's professional work environment.
- The program is completed online via the Monarch Digital Campus. There is no requirement to attend campus.

Published Works

A portfolio of published works may include but are not limited to published works in the traditional written form like books and book chapters, scholarly works, edited texts, specialist reports prepared for government departments and other public bodies, but may also include translations, collections of

artefacts, videos, photographic records, the preparation of computer programs and diagrammatic representations. Published works must be available or traceable in the public domain and not be self-published. If a sufficient amount of published works is not available the candidate may publish additional scholarly articles while registered in the program. The body of work may not include any material produced more than ten years before the date of submission.

Program Delivery

During the program you will be in close contact with your program professor who will advise you on how to structure your research proposal, manuscript and prepare you for the presentation to meet the doctoral criteria. Your course professor will be your primary support during your stay in the program.

The program is completed online using the Monarch Executive Institute's Learning Management System, enabling candidates to continue working during the program. During the program you will have access to the learning materials and resources available on the Monarch Digital Campus. Due to the fully digitalized learning environment, there is no requirement to attend campus.

Program Structure

You will begin with the first modules and move sequentially through the curriculum.

- Portfolio of Published Works (1 month)
  You will compose a portfolio of Published Works, which includes a summary of the published works you intend to submit, in combination with a justification for the relevance of your published works to your organization and/or professional field, as well as an indication of your understanding of research and development methodologies which may be applied to your published works.

- Research Skills (3 months)
  In the Research skills module, you will develop the skills and qualifications required to perform critical review of your published works.

Research Proposal (1 month)

In the Research Proposal phase, you will then work out a 10 to 15 page detailed research proposal which will serve as the basis for your manuscript. The proposal includes a critical review of your own published works and critique of your contributions to knowledge.

- Manuscript

  Next you will compose a 20,000 – 25,000 word manuscript, excluding the published works, which considers a review of the published works, definition of the problem statement and the collection and analysis of data, resulting in conclusions and recommendations which are highly applicable managerial key takeaways for application in your professional work environment.

- Doctoral Presentation

  When your program professor is satisfied that your intended submission of the manuscript is likely to meet the requirements for the award of the doctorate, the manuscript may be submitted for examination. Upon acceptance and review of your manuscript, you will present your research to an expert panel. With the successful completion of the examination, you will be awarded the Doctorate in Professional Studies by Published Works.

Program Duration

The time frame for completing this program varies between 12 to 24 months, depending on the number of published works and mutual coherence brought into the program. Typically, the submission of a minimum of three published works is a prerequisite:

- 12 Months: Input of Three Qualified Published Works

  With three qualified published works the candidate can proceed directly towards the composition of the research proposal upon entry of the program.

- 18 Months: Input of Two Qualified Published Works

  When two published works are brought into the program, one additional work needs to be created during the course of the study and should be in cohesion with earlier published works accepted into the program. The newly published work may be published in the Monarch Management Review.

- <u>24 Months: Input of One Qualified Published Work</u>

  If one published work is brought into the program, two additional works need to be created during the course of the program, in cohesion with the earlier published work accepted into the program. One work may be published in the Monarch Management Review and one work must be published in a reputable external journal.

Entry Requirements

This program is designed for high performing working professionals with substantial professional experience at a senior management level. You must show evidence of substantial professional work experience and a body of published work.

Admission

All applications are assessed on an individual basis. Admission to the program takes place on a rolling basis. When considering applying for the program, you should contact us for a discussion of your publications and how they might be considered for a DProf by Published Works. If you decide to apply our expert panel will assess the quality and the coherence of your publications and your intended research focus, following which you will receive a decision. When the application is successful, a program professor will be assigned to you at the start of your program.

Fees

Total tuition fee is 15,000 Euros for the 24 months period and can be paid in installments: Tuition fees in the first year are 10,000 Euros; second year of study tuition fees are 5,000 Euros. Extension beyond the second year incurs an annual fee of 5,000 Euros. Candidates have a maximum of 4 years to complete the program.

Award

Doctor of Professional Studies will be awarded by Monarch Business School Switzerland.

Further information

If you would you like more information about the program, online learning environment or admission requirements, do not hesitate to request a personal call and study advice, without obligation.

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