

**The requirements that should be met by a set of published and thematically related scientific articles constituting a doctoral dissertation and the method of verifying the fulfillment of these requirements in the proceedings for the awarding of the doctoral degree in physical culture studies at Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport.**

## § 1

A collection of published and thematically related scientific articles, hereinafter referred to as the „collection”, may constitute a doctoral dissertation in the proceedings for the awarding of the doctoral degree in physical culture sciences at Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport if it meets the following conditions, subject to § 2-4:

- 1) the scientific problem combining all the scientific publications forming the collection was described in an overview prepared by the candidate in Polish or English, called a “paper”, which consolidates the collection;
- 2) the collection consists of at least three scientific articles published:
  - a) in scientific journals included in the list issued by the minister responsible for higher education and science, pursuant to Art. 267 section 2 point 2 letter b of the Act of July 20, 2018 – Law on higher Education and Science (consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2023, item 742, as amended), hereinafter referred to as the “list”,
  - b) at least two scientific articles have been published in scientific journals:
    - included in the Journal Citation Reports (JCR) database and having an Impact Factor (IF) or
    - included in the list, which have been assigned at least 140 points each.

## § 2

In the case of candidates who are doctoral students of the GUPES Doctoral School or GUPES doctoral studies, the collection may only consist of scientific articles affiliated by the candidate to Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport.

## § 3

The collection may include multi-authored scientific articles if the candidate:

- 1) is the first author and his/her contribution to the creation of the scientific publication is at least 50%,
- 2) submits declarations signed by all co-authors specifying, both in percentage and descriptive terms, the individual contribution of each of them to the creation of the scientific article.

## § 4

The collection may include a scientific article indicated by the candidate in order to meet the requirement for the awarding of a doctoral degree referred to in Art. 186 section 1 point 3 letter a of the Act of July 20, 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2023, item 742, as amended) if it meets the conditions specified in § 1.

## § 5

1. The verification of the fulfillment of the conditions referred to in § 1-3 is made as of the date of submission of the application to initiate the proceedings for the awarding of the doctoral degree in physical culture sciences at Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport.
2. The change of the conditions referred to in § 1-3 after the initiation of the procedure for the awarding of the doctoral degree in physical culture sciences at Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport, does not influence these proceedings.
3. The fulfillment of the condition referred to in § 1 point 2 is demonstrated on the basis of a bibliometric analysis performed by the Main Library of GUPES – Scientific Information Center.
4. The candidate submits the result of the bibliometric analysis referred to in section 3, to the application to initiate proceedings for the awarding of the doctoral degree in physical culture sciences at Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport.