

## **Doctoral State Examination**

Students can also take the state exam under the new accreditation. In this case, they will not be tested on the topics specified here, but instead will submit the materials specified below and follow the following instructions:

The PhD state examination in the new format consists of a debate on the theoretical contextualization and methodological design of the dissertation. The manuscript of a publication (at least in the review process, i.e. after acceptance by the journal editor for review) that relates to the main research objective of the dissertation serves as the basis for this debate.

A text that is not related to the dissertation cannot be submitted for the state examination.

The text is submitted by the student(s) to the committee one month in advance with a cover letter or introduction that places the text of the publication in the overall framework of the dissertation. The recommended length of this introduction is 3.500–7.000 words (excluding the list of literature).

The text must be sent electronically to: