A 12_ Regulations for studies, internships, mobility, research projects of the Postgraduate Program "Advanced Technologies in Vision Sciences"

General provisions

The School of Medicine, the Departments of Materials Science and Engineering, Mathematics and Applied Mathematics of the University of Crete, and the Foundation for Research and Technology - Hellas (FORTH) have collaborated to establish the Inter-institutional Postgraduate Program (IIPP), which will commence in the 2024-2025 academic year. The Program, entitled "Cutting Edge Technologies in Vision Sciences," is conducted in accordance with the provisions of the decision 519th/20-06-2024 of the Senate of the University of Crete, 7th issue Education and Research on the establishment of the new MSc (annex A2).

The School Medicine of the University of Crete, operating as an expedited school, provides administrative support for the Program.

Objective - Purpose

The subject of the program is modern technologies related to visual sciences. This topic touches a wide range of sciences such as medicine, visual physics, mathematics, optometry, materials science, pharmacology, vision neuroscience and biotechnology.

The goal of the program is to produce highly educated leaders who can pursue careers in hospitals, medical centers, private companies that design and develop technology or maintain technological equipment in the fields of vision sciences, as well as in universities and research centers as scientific-technical and research staff.

The program will train graduates in cutting-edge technologies of visual sciences through characteristic examples that illuminate the interdisciplinary character of this field. Graduates of the program will acquire sufficient knowledge in a wide range of sciences (such as anatomy and physiology of vision, visual physics, physiological optics, mathematics, biology, chemistry) that will allow them to understand and deepen the new technologies of vision, regardless of the subject of their basic education.

Graduates will acquire theoretical knowledge and skills with an emphasis on the interdisciplinary approach to advanced vision technologies. An important contribution to this direction will be made by the interdisciplinary modules, each of which will deal with a characteristic cutting-edge topic and will be organized by two or more of the collaborating departments/institutes.

In this way, the graduates of the program will be prepared for

- Postgraduate studies at the doctoral level.
- Successful careers in research institutions and the productive sector.

- Promote cutting-edge research in the rapidly evolving field of technologies in the visual sciences.
- Teaching in high-level seminars related to the subject of the program.
- Staffing of ophthalmological clinics and hospitals in the public and private sectors.
- Staffing laboratories and companies in the field of vision technology.
- Employment in similar positions that require a high level of knowledge and skills in the field of the program (research centers, biotechnology laboratories, digital medicine applications, ministries and other public health services, etc.).

Categories - Number of Admitted Graduates / Selection - Classification of Postgraduate Students

The program is open to holders of a degree in science, engineering, health sciences and related subjects from the University or the former technological sector of higher education or academically recognized degrees from higher education institutions abroad.

The number of students admitted to the Program is set at a maximum of twenty-nine (29) postgraduate students per year. The Program will admit students from countries in the European Economic Area (EEA) and from countries outside the EEA.

In addition to the number of admissions, up to four (4) candidates who have been awarded postgraduate scholarships by states, state scholarship institutions, international organizations, international programs, etc., may be admitted to the program, provided that they meet the necessary requirements. The minimum number of students admitted to the Program each year is set at five (5).

The Program organizes a selection process following a call for expressions of interest published on Diavgeia and on the Program's website.

The documents that a candidate must submit are: 1) the application form, 2) a copy of the degree(s) and a certificate of equivalence from $\Delta OATA\Pi$ for graduates of foreign universities (if any).

Otherwise, the University of Crete will verify the recognition of the foreign institution and the title granted by the foreign institution, in accordance with the provisions of Article 304 of Law 4957/2022, 3) Certificate of Transcript of Courses,

4) Certificate of English language proficiency at least at the B2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

If the candidate's degree(s) have been obtained from an educational institution in an English-speaking country or from an English-speaking curriculum, no language certificates are required, 5) List of publications or scientific papers (if any), 6) Two letters of recommendation.

Candidates who have expressed interest in the program will be invited for an interview. The purpose of the oral interview is to determine whether the qualifications indicated in the candidate's documents and letters of recommendation are consistent with the candidate's general education and skills. Program faculty who are not members of the selection committee may be present during the interviews but are not permitted to ask questions of the candidates.

Candidates will be selected on the basis of the following criteria: 1) graduation grade, 2) grades in undergraduate courses related to the subject of the program, 3) performance in the dissertation, if required at the undergraduate level, 4) any research activity of the candidate, 5) evaluation of letters of recommendation, 6) adequate knowledge of English at least at the B2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, and 7) performance in the personal interview.

The above criteria will be considered on an overall scale of 1-10 (10 being the highest).

In the event of a tie, candidates will be admitted as supernumeraries.

The evaluation for the admission of postgraduate students to the program is made by a fivemember selection committee appointed by the E.P.S. of the program.

At the end of the interviews, the Selection Committee will draw up the initial lists of successful candidates and any runners-up in descending order of merit. The successful candidates and any runners-up will be notified of these lists by the Program Secretariat electronically and by any other appropriate means.

Any objections (which must be justified and specific) must be submitted within seven (7) calendar days from the date of publication of the initial tables and will be examined by a three-member Appeals Committee appointed by the E.P.S. of the Program.

The minutes of the Selection Committee, signed by all its members, are sent, under the responsibility of its chairman, to the Curriculum Committee, which approves and validates the final results. Successful candidates and any runners-up will be listed in descending order.

The final lists of successful candidates and any runners-up will be posted on the program's website.

If a candidate who has been selected to study in the program informs the program secretariat in writing or electronically that he/she does not wish to enroll at the end of the program, or if the registration deadline expires, and it is established that his/her non-registration is not due to reasons of force majeure, the vacancies of the successful candidates may be filled by the runners-up, if any, according to their ranking, by decision of the competent body.

The registration of the students in the program takes place before the beginning of the courses of the first semester.

Special attention is given to the support of foreign master's students. To this end, the program cooperates with the International Student Support Office throughout their studies and ensures their smooth integration into the academic environment.

For successful candidates who belong to the category of people with disabilities or special educational needs, the program collaborates with the Equal Access Unit for People with Disabilities and Special Educational Needs of the University of Crete.

Postgraduate Student Registrations

The registration of Postgraduate students in the Program takes place before the beginning of the courses of the first semester.

The selected students will be invited to register for the program within the deadline set by the program secretariat.

Registration is carried out through an information system certified by the relevant department of the Foundation. The students will be registered in the student registry and will receive their passwords, registration number, institutional e-mail address and the digital study guide by any appropriate means that guarantees the confidentiality of communications and the protection of personal data.

For successful candidates who belong to the category of people with disabilities or special educational needs, the program cooperates with the Unit for Equal Access for People with Disabilities and Special Educational Needs.

If a successful candidate of the Program notifies the administrative support unit of the Program in writing or electronically that he/she does not wish to register at the end, or if the registration deadline has passed, and it is established that the non-registration of the successful candidate is not due to force majeure, the vacant places of the successful candidates may be filled by the runners-up, if any, by decision of the competent body.

Organization of the Educational Process

The courses are taught with the physical presence of the students. By reasoned decision of the Curriculum Committee, courses with synchronous distance learning may be offered at a rate not exceeding twenty-five percent (25%) of the credits of the Program.

At the beginning of each semester, teachers inform the Coordinating Committee of the Program about the use of modern distance learning methods during the teaching of courses, the total teaching hours with it, and the reasons why it is necessary. The C.C. is responsible for checking compliance with the 25% limit on all credits of the Program.

Duration of Studies – Program of Studies

The minimum duration of study for the award of the MSc is set at four (4) academic semesters. Participation in the program is continuous and follows the sequence of semesters. The language of the program, both in teaching and in writing the thesis, is English. For the successful completion of the program and the award of the MSc, the postgraduate student must accumulate at least one hundred and twenty (120) credits (ECTS) by attending the compulsory courses of the table below, which represents the indicative distribution of the corresponding credits.

Analytically:

N/A	Lesson	ECTS	Semester of Studies
	Eye and Vision I		
1	Eye and Vision I	7	1
	Mathematics I		
2	Mathematics I	7	1
	Waves and tissues		
3	Waves and tissues	7	1
	Biology		
4	Biology	7	1
5	Mini Review Projects Study and Presentation of Review Publications	2	1
Total ECTS		30	
6	Eye and Vision II		
	Eye and Vision II	6	2
7	Biostatistics	6	2
	Biostatistics		

N/A	Lesson	ECTS	Semester of Studies
	Principles of Imaging		
8	Imaging Principles	6	2
9	Mathematics II	6	2
	Mathematics II		
	Visual Optics		
10	Physiological Optics	6	2
Total ECTS		30	
11	Transdisciplinary Modules	30	3
	Interdisciplinary Modules		
12	Master's Thesis	30	4
	Postgraduate Thesis		

Course Outline

Course Title (English-Greek)	ECTS	Short outline
Eye and Vision I (Eye and Vision I)	7	Basic principles of anatomy and physiology of the eye and vision in order to familiarize students from heterogeneous cognitive fields.
Mathematics I (Mathematics I)	7	Functions and graphs. Linear Algebra and Analytical Geometry. Discrete time models and sequences. Limits and continuity of functions. Function derivative and applications. Function integration and applications
Waves and Tissues	7	Basic principles of wave physics, wave sources and detectors. Study of the interaction of waves with tissues. Examples of applications in
(Waves and Tissues)		the visual sciences
Biology (Biology)	7	Principles of the biology of the cell, its basic functions. Biological principles of the functions of multicellular organisms. Inflammation and healing. Biology and physiology of nervous tissue.
Mini Review Projects		Students undertake to review the literature of a topic and present their findings in aggregate. The aim is to familiarize students with
(Study and Presentation of Review Publications)	2	the process of literature review, evaluation of published research results and presentation to the public.
Eye and Vision II (Eye and Vision II)	6	Continuation of the homonymous course of the 1st semester. Basic issues of nosology, diagnostics and treatment of eye and vision problems are presented. The familiarization of audiences with heterogeneous fields of knowledge is also a key objective here.

Course Title (English-Greek)	ECTS	Short outline
Biostatistics (Biostatistics)	6	Principles of medical biostatistics aiming at understanding the processing and management of experimental data and learning the basic tools for use by students.
Principles of Imaging (Imaging Principles)	6	Basic principles of physics and mathematics applied to the development and operation of imaging techniques and systems. Presentation of representative techniques and applications in Visual Sciences.
Mathematics II (Mathematics II)	6	Basic ordinary differential equations and elementary dynamical systems. Multivariable functions. Introduction to partial differential equations.
Visual Optics Physiological Optics	6	Presentation of the eye as a visual system. Analysis of the visual properties of the anatomical structures of the eye and their function in the process of vision. Presentation of the process of converting visual information into a neural signal and its higher integration of vision.
Transdisciplinary Modules	30	The Interdisciplinary Modules are equivalent to each other in terms of workload. Each student is asked to choose 4 modules in which a total of 30 ECTS are awarded. The Interdisciplinary Modules include, but are not limited to, the following: Section 1: Monitoring the signal in the optical pathway: from photons to vision Module that aims to understand and familiarize with the neurophysiology of vision and the technologies that support it. Collaborate Medical School UC, FORTH. Section 2: Refractive errors: correction by interfering with the visual elements of the eye Module aimed at understanding and familiarizing with the use of physiological optics and related technologies for the therapeutic modification of the visual properties of the eye. Collaborators are
Interdisciplinary Modules		the Medical School of UOC, FORTH, DMSE. Section 3: Slow release of drugs for ophthalmological use Module aimed at understanding and familiarization with Ophthalmic pharmacology and techniques that allow development of slow-release drugs. Collaborators are the Medical School of UOC, DMSE. Session 4: New technologies in ophthalmic oncology Module aimed at understanding and familiarizing with the applications of radiation physics in ophthalmic oncology. Collaborators are the Medical School UC, FORTH.

Course Title (English-Greek)	ECTS	Short outline
		5th session: New ophthalmic imaging technologies Module that aims to understand and familiarize with modern imaging technologies with application in ophthalmology and vision sciences. Collaboratiors are the Medical School of UC, FORTH, DMSE.
Master's Thesis (Postgraduate Thesis)	30	Thesis prepared in the 4th semester under the supervision of a teacher. It aims to complete a small research project, collect data and present them comprehensively.

The modification of the course program, the redistribution of courses between semesters, the definition or modification of credits (ECTS) per course, the addition of courses, as well as the substitution of a course with a postgraduate course of another postgraduate program, if it has relevant or complementary content with corresponding credits, can be carried out by decisions of the P.S.C.

Changes in the content and composition of interdisciplinary units may also be made by decision of the P.S.C. of the program.

Attendance and Recognition of Courses from Other Departments

The PS may attend postgraduate courses of the Faculty of Medicine or other departments of the University of Crete, if they are taught in English, after approval by the P.S.C. The final grade of the above courses will not be taken into account in the final grade point average of the PS, but will be mentioned only in the Diploma Supplement.

PS examination rules

Courses are assessed by written examinations and/or presentation of assignments. The method of examination for each course, as well as the requirements for successful completion of the course, will be determined by the faculty at the beginning of each semester. PSs will be informed of the above obligations in a timely manner and by appropriate means, in accordance with the applicable legislation and the Postgraduate Studies Regulations of UC.

All course obligations, such as assignments and exercises, must be fully completed within the semester and by the end of the exams, as defined by the academic calendar.

<u>Grading of courses - workshops - assignments and grading scale</u>

The PS is graded out of 10 with a passing grade of 5.0 or higher.

Course repetition

If the PS fails the examination of a course or courses, he/she should retake the course or courses, as long as his/her course in the curriculum does not entail the interruption of his/her studies, in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

Students who are enrolled in the program after having previously been dropped are required to re-enroll and retake all courses in the program. Courses from previous undergraduate and postgraduate programs will not be accepted.

<u>Evaluation of Postgraduate Students - Withdrawal from the Program</u>

The evaluation of postgraduate students is carried out by the C.C. of the program each semester of study. At the end of the 1st semester, the PS must have accumulated at least 14 ECTS credits, while at the end of the 2nd semester he/she must have accumulated at least 32 ECTS credits. At the end of the 3rd semester, the PS must have accumulated at least 48 ECTS credits from the courses offered by the program.

If the evaluation of the C.C. shows that the above-mentioned conditions are not met, the Director of the Program will inform the P.S.C. of the Program that there is a question of the cancellation of the M.P.

The CC can propose to the P.S.C. of the Program the deletion of the PS with a reasoned proposal. Reasons for deletion are

- (a) the request of the P.S.
- b) Unsatisfactory performance of the PS according to the semi-annual evaluation of his/her performance and the provisions of the present Internal Regulations of the Program,
- c) Behavior that violates academic ethics according to the applicable legislation or the Code of Ethics.

Master's Thesis

By the end of the third semester, the PS submits to the Secretariat of the Program an application to the PSC. that includes a brief summary of the proposed thesis, the proposed supervisor, and the other members of the three-member examination committee, who must have the same or related scientific specialization to the subject of the Program.

The subject of the thesis and the three-member examination committee are approved by the PSC. after a documented recommendation that the subject of the thesis is the same or relevant to the content of the studies of the program and the scientific specialty of the members of the three-member examination committee.

The supervision of the master's theses is assigned in accordance with the applicable legislation and the provisions of the Postgraduate Studies Regulations of the University of Crete.

If the application is not submitted by the end of the third semester, the PSC. may appoint the supervising professor, who must be a member of the program, as well as the other two members of the three-member examination committee, who will then, in consultation with the PS, define the subject.

Presentation and completion of the Master's Thesis

After the completion of the thesis, the PS submits copies of the final thesis to the supervisor and the other two members of the three-member examination committee. The postgraduate student is obliged to submit the final form of the master's thesis to the three-member committee for plagiarism control within a period that cannot be less than 15 days before its final support.

In case of a positive decision of the three-member Examining Committee, the date and place of the public support/evaluation of the doctoral thesis will be determined by the PSC.

The text must meet the requirements and structure of a scientific paper, i.e. it must contain a description of the topic of the work, an introductory part with a brief overview of the field and description of the research question, methodology, research results and findings of the study, discussion of the results, bibliography and any other necessary supporting or explanatory elements (necessary figures, diagrams, photographs, images, etc.). It is written in English and is accompanied by an abstract of approximately 300 words in Greek and English. In addition, the PS must state on the first pages of the paper that it is not plagiarized in whole or in part.

After the Presentation - Supervision of the Master's Thesis, the three-member Examination Committee prepares and signs a Report of the Public Presentation of the Master's Thesis, which includes any comments or remarks, as well as the final evaluation of the thesis. The Master's thesis is not graded. The evaluation of the Master's thesis is made on the scale of successful/unsuccessful.

In case of a negative evaluation, it is possible to resubmit the thesis after two months, after the PS has improved the thesis according to the observations of the three-member examination committee.

In case of a second negative judgement, the Coordinating Committee recommends to the PSC. of the Program the exclusion of the PS from the awarding of the Postgraduate Diploma and his/her dismissal from the Program.

In case of non-submission of the final Master's thesis by the end of the fourth semester of the program, the PS may, with the approval of the three-member examination committee, apply to the CC for an extension of one academic semester for its submission. The extension will be approved by the PSC. of the program upon the recommendation of the CC of the program.

The final complete copy of the Master's thesis, after its acceptance, will be submitted to the Library of the University of Crete in printed and electronic form, and in printed form to the archive of the School of Medicine.

The copyright of the thesis is subject to the provisions of the Postgraduate Regulations of the University of Crete and the legislation in force.

Mobility

The Program supports the mobility of its students usually through the ERASMUS+ Program. The students are offered the opportunity to carry out their thesis (data collection, experiments, data analysis and writing) in laboratories and institutions abroad in collaboration with the visiting Professors and Researchers participating in the Program, thus giving the Program the desired international character while at the same time expanding the students' professional horizons.

The professors and lecturers of the Faculty of Medicine and the collaborating Departments have the right to participate in educational exchange programs, usually through the ERASMUS program.

Administrative staff are also entitled to participate in mobility programs (Erasmus+).

All information regarding the mobility can be found on the website of the International Relations Department of the University of Crete at https://www.uoc.gr/intrel/en/

Academic Advisors

At the beginning of each course and depending on the number of PS, the program appoints academic advisors.

The role of the Academic Advisor is to provide guidance and advice to the Postgraduate Students for the progress and successful completion of their studies. The advisor's services are purely advisory in nature and do not bind the PS to whom they are provided.

Commencement and duration issues of Postgraduate Studies. Prerequisites for obtaining a Postgraduate Diploma (D.M.S.)

The first semester of study usually begins in February. The typical duration of the program leading to the Postgraduate Diploma is four (4) academic semesters.

It is possible to extend the study period by six (6) months and, in exceptional cases, by one (1) year, upon the justified request of the interested postgraduate student and the recommendation of the Coordinating Committee to the PSC. of the Program.

After two years from the start of their postgraduate studies, PSs will lose their student status if the above extension has not been granted.

Suspension of Studies.

PSs have the right to request suspension of their studies. In this case, PSs must have fulfilled all financial obligations at the time of application. Suspension of studies will be approved by the Coordinating Committee upon the recommendation of the CC for proven serious reasons and only once, for one academic year. Suspension for more than one academic year may be granted only in cases of prolonged illness certified by a public authority.

PSs who have received a suspension of studies do not have student status during the entire period of suspension. Semesters of suspension do not count toward the maximum duration of regular study.

Suspension of studies may be terminated earlier than the specified period upon a reasoned request for early termination of the suspension of studies.

Resumption of studies after the suspension of studies.

A PS who resumes his/her studies is required to attend all courses, seminars, etc., in which he/she was not successfully graded prior to his/her suspension. A PS who returns after suspension will continue to be subject to the attendance status of the year in which he/she was enrolled.

<u>Prerequisites for obtaining a Postgraduate Diploma (MSc).</u>

Each PS student must successfully complete all courses and four (4) thematic units of the third semester. The PS will be considered to have successfully completed his/her studies and will be awarded an MSc when he/she has

- Has successfully passed the required courses. The PS cannot have a grade lower than or equal to 6 in more than 3 courses,
- Has successfully defended the postgraduate thesis,
- has paid all financial obligations to the program prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Completion and the awarding of the Postgraduate Diploma.

Rights of Postgraduate Students

PSs shall have the rights deriving from the legislation in force, the relevant provisions of the Regulation of Postgraduate Studies Programs of the University of Crete and the decisions of the competent University governing bodies.

PSs have the right to: use the facilities and resources of the Foundation; have unrestricted access to the Foundation's library by presenting their student ID card and following the specific rules established; use digital services and databases to support their teaching and research needs; use laboratories and clinics in compliance with the safety rules; make good use of scientific instruments and facilities in general, as well as the public health rules established by the relevant regulations.

Obligations of Postgraduate Students

Each candidate, prior to registration, must be informed of the Program Regulations and accept its operating rules, as described in the Internal Regulations of the Program.

Acceptance of the regulations is a basic requirement for obtaining and maintaining the status of PS. Accepted postgraduate students are enrolled and participate in the Postgraduate Studies Program according to its conditions.

General Obligations of PSs

PSs have the following responsibilities

- Continuously attend the courses of the current curriculum.
- Submit the required work within the established deadlines.

- Attend the required examinations.
- To respect and abide by the Postgraduate Regulations and Guidelines of the Program, the decisions of the bodies of the Program, the Faculty of Medicine and the University of Crete, as well as academic ethics.
- To fulfill their financial obligations to the program in a timely manner.

Scholarships and awards

Depending on the available cash balance of the program, up to two (2) Excellence Scholarships may be awarded annually to graduate students in the program as a partial tuition waiver.

Detailed requirements for the Excellence Scholarship

- a) The PS must have the highest average grade after the end of the first academic year of study in the program, which must fall within the Excellence Grading Scale (8.5-10),
- b) The PS must have completed 60 ECTS at the end of the first year of study,
- c) The PS must not be in receipt of a scholarship from another source.

In the event of a tie, the scholarship amount will be distributed equally among all tied candidates.

Scholarship Award Procedure

At the suggestion of the program's C.C., an invitation to apply for a scholarship is issued. Candidates must complete all the mandatory fields of the application form, attach the required supporting documents, and submit them to the Program Secretariat within the exclusive calendar deadlines specified in the call. The application serves as a solemn declaration of Law 1599/1986.

The CC evaluates and ranks the candidacies according to the criteria established in the Internal Regulations of the Program and proposes the list of names of the candidates to the EPS. Once the list is approved, the Program Secretariat will notify the candidates of the outcome of their application (acceptance/rejection) by e-mail.

Candidates have an exclusive period of 5 days to submit a reasoned appeal, which will be considered by the Appeals Committee, as defined in the Program's Internal Rules.

PSs may also apply for scholarships from the School of Medicine and other institutions.

Ethics – Publication of Research Papers

The program operates with the assurance that the highest ethical standards are applied to scientific research. The Program encourages the generation of knowledge through original research while promoting and protecting academic freedom. It is recognized that the possibility of research misconduct is a very serious matter that can destroy graduate studies and the careers of all those involved in research and the academy.

Research misconduct occurs when research data is either falsified or copied by others, or the data is deliberately misprocessed so that the results do not reflect reality. All faculty participating in the program are required to maintain high standards in the conduct of their research.

Plagiarism is considered serious academic misconduct, which may even have criminal consequences. Plagiarism is defined as the copying of another's published work or parts thereof, as well as the use of another's work without bibliographic reference, in accordance with scholarly ethics.

Postgraduate theses, publications and patents resulting from research activities within the program must follow the rules of research publication and ethics as described in the applicable legislation, the Internal Regulations and the Regulations of Postgraduate Studies Programs of the University of Crete. They must also follow the academic practices and rules summarized below:

In accordance with the rules of international scientific ethics, the authors of a research paper should be only those researchers who actively participated in it. Active participants are those who design the study, collect, analyze and evaluate the data, provide unpublished material that is absolutely necessary for the conduct of the research, and those who write it. All authors are responsible for the data that appear in this publication.

All authors must study the final text before submitting it for publication and must study in detail all the data on which the work is based. The corresponding author is responsible for ensuring that all other authors receive a signed copy of the paper before submission.

The supervisor and the other members of the three-member review committee are responsible for ensuring that all of the above are followed.

All researchers should publish original work in internationally recognized journals. They should regularly present their research and receive critical comments from their colleagues. The honesty with which the work is done is of paramount importance for its quality.

Occasional misconduct in research will be dealt with according to the procedures provided by the applicable legislation, the Internal Regulations and the Regulations of Postgraduate Studies Programs of the University of Crete.

Award of Postgraduate Diploma

The MSc is awarded according to the ritual of the Medical School. In any case, the Postgraduate Diploma will be accompanied by a Diploma Supplement in Greek and English. The Diploma Supplement contains all additional information regarding the MSc, such as the title of the postgraduate thesis and the transcript of postgraduate courses. The nature of the latter is determined by the decision of the Senate concerning Postgraduate Programs, which are administered by the UoC.