International University of Sarajevo (IUS) Faculty of Business and Administration (FBA) AY 2025-2026

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in International Business

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Course Group		Total ECTS	Course Code	Course name	ECTS
Required Courses		12	BUS601	Qualitative Research Methods in Business	6
			BUS602	Quantitative Research Methods in Business	6
		24	BUS626	Seminar in International Management	6
			BUS635	Seminar in Corporate Social Responsibility	6
			BUS641	Seminar in International Business Environment	6
			BUS642	Seminar in International Financial Environment	6
			BUS651	Seminar in Globalization and Global Governance	6
			BUS652	Seminar in Economic Growth and Development	6
			BUS653	Seminar in Comparative Economic Systems	6
			BUS671	Advanced Topics in Business	6
			BUS672	Advanced Topics in Management	6
			ECON601	Applied Econometrics	6
			Free elective	One course - approved by Academic Advisor	6
Non-course requirements		144	QE700	Doctoral Qualification Exam	0
			BUS691	Directed Research Project I	12
			BUS692	Directed Research Project II	12
			BUS698	Doctoral Thesis	120
T	otal	180			
Graduate Studies: Summary of Conditions for Successful Completion of Studies					
Category		ECTS	Note:		
Courses		36	A student has to take two required courses (12 ECTS credits) and will be able to choose four elective courses (worth 24 ECTS credits in total). Out of four elective courses, two of them (12 ECTS) must be with code 6xx.		
Doctoral Qualification Exam		0	To take a Doctoral Qualification Exam, a student must complete all the course load (worth 36 ECTS) and prepare a two-page Ph.D. topic proposal approved by his/her mentor.		
	Directed Research Project I	12	Two presentations at Conferences, where one can be IUS-based and another outside the IUS.		
	Directed Research Project II	12	Journal Article indexed in Scopus or Web of Science. Please check the Study Rules for the Third Cycle at IUS.		
Doctoral Thesis		120	The doctoral thesis process is composed of three main stages: 1. Research proposal approved by the Mentor; 2. Three progress reports approved by the Doctoral Supervision Committee; and 3. Final defense approved by the Doctoral Defense Committee.		

^{*}Students can take up to 50% of their courses with the same professor during their graduate studies.

Note. For more information regarding the Ph.D. study, please check the Study Rules for the Third Cycle at IUS.