Dissertation thesis can also, in addition to a form of a research monographic work, take form of a set of published quality articles, dealing exclusively with the topic of the dissertation, supplemented by a unifying commentary (see Article 24 (1) of the Study and Examination Rules of the University of Economics, Prague, from 18 July 2017, in effect 1 September 2017). In case that the dissertation thesis is a set of published scientific articles, then following applies:

(1) The choice of the form of the dissertation thesis is subject to approval by the Supervisor and the programme guarantor.

(2) It is a collection of at least 3 articles that have been published in journals indexed in the Scopus database or Web of Science, and at the same time are exclusively dedicated to the Faculty of International Relations, University of Economics, Prague.

(3) Simultaneously, the PhD student must be the sole author of at least 2 such articles, and at least 50% must be of the author’s share in another one (or possibly other ones); this must be substantiated by an affidavit.

(4) At the same time, all of these articles must be related to the field of study / doctoral programme, to which the PhD student of the Faculty of International Relations belongs to, and concurrently the journals in which the articles are published, must be in the same or related disciplines.

(5) Articles published prior to commencement of studies cannot be included in the set of articles.

(6) The unifying commentary summarizes and unifies the goals of the work, current state of knowledge on the given issue, methods and files used, results, as well as an overall benefit of the work, and added scientific value, respectively (in the range of at least 20 standard pages).

(7) Recommended range of the thesis consisting of a set of articles is approximately 90 standard pages.

(8) If the dissertation thesis is submitted for a minor defense in the form of a set of published quality articles with a unifying comment, an opinion on the quality of the articles is presented also by the guarantor of the field after a discussion with the Supervisor.

(9) Dissertation thesis processed in a form of a set of articles is subject to the same procedures as a dissertation thesis written in the form of a monograph (i.e. submission of a thesis proposal, minor defense, defense), and must be submitted in a standardized printed form.
This provision enters into force on 15 January 2018.

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