

# Doctor of Philosophy in Healthcare Studies (PhD)

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The EIM - European Institute of Management offers an EU-government accredited (MFHEA in Malta) and flexible in terms of time and place [PhD - Doctor of Philosophy in Healthcare Studies](#) (PhD in HCS) with extensive support specifically for successful leaders, managers, academics, entrepreneurs, and other busy professionals.

## What are the entry requirements?

### The entry requirements for the PhD are:

- ✓ Sufficient English language skills (e.g., IELTS 6.5 or above)
- ✓ Sufficient digital competences to work online in a Google environment
- ✓ Master's degree (MQF level 7 qualification)
- ✓ If you do not have the required number of 90 ECTS on the Masters level, it is possible to acquire them through our [Master Completion Pathway](#) within 6-18 months to earn an [MBA in Healthcare Management](#).

## What will be my dissertation topic?

The final dissertation topic or thesis will be tailored to researching solutions for cutting-edge challenges in academic and scientific research to make an original contribution to the body of knowledge.

### PhD students typically choose a dissertation topic about

- 1 Current issues in Healthcare (e.g., AI adoption in elderly care)
- 2 Topics related to their current profession (e.g., effectiveness of treatments)
- 3 New regulatory changes and their implications and their own personal interests

## What is the structure of the programme?

The PhD in HCS consists of five modules, which are studied within three years.

### The five modules are divided into four study phases:

**Launching.** In the first study phase, PhD students develop their dissertation topic and prepare to conduct doctoral-level academic research.

**Preparing.** The second study phase includes the preparation of the dissertation proposal and all approvals to begin data collection.

**Finalizing.** In the third study phase, PhD students will collect and analyze their data, present and discuss their results, and complete their dissertation.

**Defending and Publishing.** In the final study phase, PhD students will defend and prepare the publication of their dissertations.

## What is my workload?

Each week, PhD students join two live online sessions: a [small-group class](#) and a [one-to-one tutorial with their dissertation advisor](#). Independent study complements these meetings.

The program focuses solely on producing a [high-quality research study and dissertation](#); there are no additional courses, publication requirements, or assistantship duties.

EIM upholds the [highest standards of academic integrity](#): no plagiarism, no ghostwriting, and no unapproved or undisclosed use of AI tools; all work is original and fully cited.

## What are my advantages?



**Recognition of prior learning and professional experience**



**Experienced international faculty**



**Pay what you use**



**Networking**



**Online course delivery**



**Research and publication opportunities**



**Government Accreditation**



**Testing phase**



**Oxford-style teaching and learning method**



**Career opportunities**



**Flexibility**



See for more details

<https://www.eim.education/your-advantages/>

## When can I start?

Select your preferred start date. Our doctoral programs **start at the beginning of each new quarter in January, April, July, and October.**

## Where can I apply?

Click the “apply now” button on our website or contact our Admission Office under:

[admission@eim.education](mailto:admission@eim.education).

## I have already started my doctoral studies but never completed them. What can I do?

### Dissertation Completion Pathway (DCP)

If you are “all but dissertation” or have already completed one or the other doctoral-level modules, our DCP may be the right solution for you on the way to the long-awaited doctorate.



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My experience at EIM has been continuously positive and professional throughout the entire process, from onboarding to my actual study sessions. I must highlight the professionalism of EIM lecturers, who always bring me back on track and help with their vast experience of guiding students through the doctoral process. This support is incredibly valuable and helps to overcome tough situations.



**Torsten**  
PhD Candidate and Osteopath



I appreciate the great flexibility that allows me to do my doctorate part-time, the personal support, and the opportunity to research and publish on current and relevant topics, such as service quality in my case.



**Dr. Raphael**  
PhD Candidate and Dentist



We provide our doctoral students with the learning tools, methodologies, and personal guidance to efficiently achieve their learning goals and graduate with a quality dissertation they can be proud of.



**Dr. Peter**  
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