The doctoral program consists of 8 semesters. During the 8 semesters, the student must complete 240 credits in order to obtain the PhD degree, as follows:

- Subjects: at least 48 credits, with 6 credits per subject.
- Semester research and study report (written and oral):
  - Semesters 1-4: 8-8 credits,
  - Semesters 5-8: 15-15 credits (total over 8 semesters: 92 credits).
- Publications related to the research topic: at least 75 credits.
- Active participation in a research project: 6-10 credits/project.
- Course participation: *maximum 60 credits* (no compulsory minimum), 1 contact hour per week (1x45 min) = 2 credits.

According to the credit regulations, students must take a *minimum of eight (8)* courses and pass an examination. Of the eight courses, *four are compulsory* basic courses related to the doctoral topic, of which *two* (*in the category of basic courses in the field of safety and security studies*) are *in the field of safety and security science and two* (in the category of research topic related basic courses) are in the field of research. These 4 subjects are approved by the Doctoral School Council on the recommendation of the supervisor. A *further 4* subjects (optional subjects) may be chosen freely by the student, with the agreement of the supervisor, from any of the subjects announced by the doctoral school.

In order to ensure the success of the doctoral program and the doctoral thesis, during the first eight semesters of the program, the student is **required** to write a **mandatory report** (semester research and study report) every semester on the progress of his/her research topic, which is evaluated by the Doctoral School in the manner specified in its regulations. The report must also be presented orally.

The recommended order of admission of the subjects and the *order of the compulsory reports are* shown in the table below:

Subject	SEMESTER							
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
Basic subject I in safety and security sciences								
Basic subject II in safety and security sciences								
Research topic related basic subject I								
Research topic related basic subject II								
Optional subject 1								
Optional subject 2								
Optional subject 3								
Optional subject 4								
Research and study report								

In order to obtain a diploma in organised studies, a minimum of 240 credits must be acquired by the end of the 8th semester, as follows:

		Number of credits	Minimum required	Maximum
Learning activity		6 credits/subject	48	60
	Semester research and study report	Semester 1-4: 8 credits/semester Semester 5-8: 15 credits/semester	92	92
Research activity	Project contribution	6-10 credits/project	-	40
	Publication activity	see Table of publication credits	75; min. 5 publications, min. 2 peer-reviewed journal papers in a foreign language (at least one in journal indexed in WoS or Scopus, min. 3 peer-reviewed publications, min. 2 journal papers in a foreign language*, min. 1 publication in Hungarian**)	116
Teaching acti	vity	45 minute class/week = 2 credits	-	60 (max. 5 credits/semest er in semester 1-4, max. 10 credits/semest er in semester 5-8)
TOTAL			240	

\* with minimum author contribution of 50% (in average)

\*\* for Hungarian citizens only

Minimum publication requirements for the start of the degree procedure:

- The number of publications published or in the process of publication, as evidenced by an editorial or publisher's statement, is at least 5, of which

- at least 1 journal in a foreign language in the Web of Science or Scopus database.

- at least 2 journal articles in a foreign language with at least 50% of the candidate's average authorship

- at least 1 publication in Hungarian (for Hungarian citizens)

- at least 3 peer-reviewed publications.

- minimum number of credits to be obtained: **75 credits**.

	Abroad, in a foreign language	in Hungary, in a foreign language	in Hungarian
Book	100	80	40
Book chapter	24 (min. 10 pages)	3.6 (per 20 pages)	1.8 (per 20 pages)
Journal paper with impact factor (IF)	24-36	24-36	-
Peer-reviewed journal paper	24	18	12
Journal paper (without peer-review)	18	12	6
Editing a special issue of a peer-reviewed journal	18	12	6
Editing a special issue of a unreviewed journal	9	6	3
Peer-reviewed conference article (min. 4 pages, with ISBN)	24	18	6
Unreviewed conference article (min. 4 pages, with ISBN)	8	8	2
Patent	20	12	12

Table of publication credits (The number of credits must be divided by the number of non-supervisor authors. The impact factors are reported in the Journal Citation Reports of Clarivate Analytics. IF < 0.1: 24 credits;  $0.1 \le IF < 2$ : 29 credits;  $2 \le IF < 4$ : 33 credits;  $4 \le IF$ : 36 credits)

## Minimum requested credits at the end of the semester:

- 1st semester: 20 credits
- 2<sup>nd</sup> semester: 45 credits
- 3<sup>rd</sup> semester: 75 credits
- 4th semester: 90 credits
- 5<sup>th</sup> semester: 110 credits
- 6th semester: 150 credits
- 7<sup>th</sup> semester: 180 credits

**Complex exam as essential condition for starting the 5th semester**: at the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> semester (min. 90 credits, min. 48 credits from learning activity, 32 credits from semester research and study reports) Evaluation: passed or failed (Exam in three courses and evaluation of the research activity made.)