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Practical issues to consider before and during the doctorate

(Aspectos prácticos a considerar antes y durante
el Doctorado)



Transversal Activities of Doctorate

Universidad Politécnica de Cartagena

1. General course information			
Name	Practical issues to consider before and during the doctorate		
Level	Doctorate		
Code	30001020		
University	Universidad Politécnica de Cartagena		
Language	English		
ECTS	1	hours / ECTS	10
			Total hours 30

2. Lecture data			
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3. Course objectives
The main objective of this course is to show students the main aspects that should be considered before and during the development of their doctoral period, with the aim of obtaining the greatest benefits at the end of this period.

4. Theory programme

Unit 1. Important aspects you should know before starting a PhD thesis:

- a. Research grants.
- b. Doctorate programs.
- c. Departments and advisors.
- d. Research groups.
- e. Etc...

Unit 2. Important aspects to consider during your PhD thesis:

- a. Main goal: finish your PhD thesis on time.
- b. Publish research papers.
- c. Learn as many skills as you can in your research field.
- d. Learn languages.
- e. Make contacts: future collaborations or employers.
- f. Etc.....

5. Practical programme

1. List the main characteristics of the department/group/doctorate program, in which you are developing your PhD thesis.
2. List of potential collaborators/departments both nationally and internationally in your research field, indicating the main aspects by which you have sectioned.

6. Hours distribution

Activity	Location	Student work	Hours
Theory programme	On-line	Theory contents	5
		Study of the theory contents	10
Practice	On-line	Practice exercises	5
		Resolution of practice exercises	6
Tutoring	Virtual	Virtual	4
			30