The Doctoral Process (3 options)

Overview

Preliminary discussion with preferred first academic advisor

Option 1 | Option 2 | Option 3

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Application to the Doctoral Committee for acceptance as doctoral candidate in a structured doctoral degree programme (by specifying the doctoral subject (research area)) (through the Examination Office)	**Application to the Doctoral Committee for acceptance as doctoral candidate in a doctoral subject (research area)** (through the Examination Office)	**Application to the Doctoral Committee for acceptance as doctoral candidate in the structured doctoral programme 'Behavior and Cognition'** (by specifying the doctoral subject (reasearch area)) (through the Examination Office)
The application has to include the approval of the preferred first supervisor as well as of **2** additional graduates to participate in the Thesis Committee. (see application form)	The application has to include the approval of the preferred first supervisor as well as of **1** additional graduate to participate in the Thesis Committee. (see application form)	The application has to include the approval of the preferred first supervisor as well as of **2** additional graduates to participate in the Thesis Committee. (see application form)

Insofar as the candidate was not yet enrolled at the University of Göttingen the approvals of the additional graduates must be satisfied within three months following acceptance as a doctoral candidate.

Doctoral Committee obtains the opinion of the 'Behavior and Cognition' Programme Committee.

Admission to a doctoral degree programme	**Acceptance as doctoral candidate**	**Admission to the doctoral programme 'Behavior and Cognition'**
The doctoral studies (until oral examination) must be completed within the next **6** years.	The doctoral studies (until oral examination) must be completed within the next **6** years.	Thesis must be completed within the next **3** years.

Enrolment
(through the Central Office of Student Affairs)

Has to be done immediately on acceptance as a doctoral candidate. Doctoral candidates have to stay enrolled for the entire duration of the doctoral studiens (i.e. until having passed the oral examination).

Personal interview at GSGG: Appointment of the Thesis Committee Thesis Committee: at least 3 members	**Personal interview at GSGG:** Appointment of the Thesis Committee Thesis Committee: at least 2 members	**Personal interview at GSGG:** Appointment of the Thesis Committee Thesis Committee: at least 3 members. At least 2 of them have to be authrorised examiners of the programme 'Behavior and Cognition' or of the doctoral degree programme 'Behavior and Cognition'

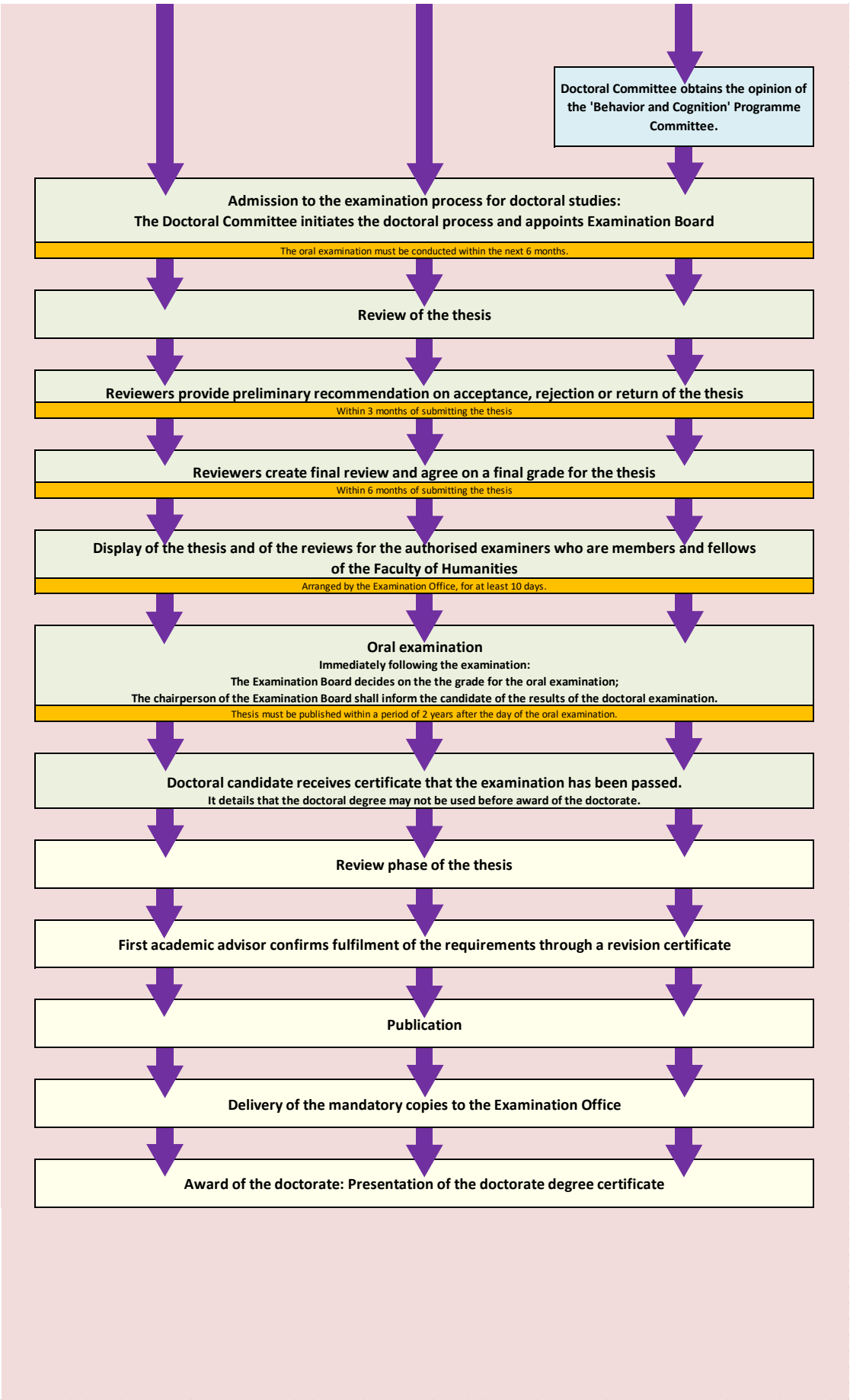
The members of the Thesis Committee have to be appointed directly after the enrolment.

Coordinated by the GSGG:
The members of the Thesis Committee and the doctoral candidate conclude a doctoral contract;
Submission of a preliminary work schedule

Shall be effected without delay.
Insofar as the candidate was not yet enrolled at the University of Göttingen, the doctoral contract shall be signed at the latest 3 months after acceptance as a doctoral student.

Research phase: Working on thesis; Preparing annual reports on the progress of the thesis for the Thesis Committee; Participation on doctoral colloquiums in order to fulfil any necessary examination prerequsites (in the scope of at least 24 C) as part of the doctoral degree programme	**Research phase:** Working on thesis; Preparing annual reports on the progress of the thesis for the Thesis Committee; Participation on doctoral colloquiums	**Research phase:** Working on thesis; Preparing annual reports on the progress of the thesis for the Thesis Committee; Participation on doctoral colloquiums in order to fulfil any necessary examination prerequsites (in the scope of at least 20 C) as part of the doctoral programme

Application to the Doctoral Committee for admission to the examination process for doctoral studies
(through the Examination Office)


Doctoral Committee obtains the opinion of the 'Behavior and Cognition' Programme Committee.
Admission to the examination process for doctoral studies:
The Doctoral Committee initiates the doctoral process and appoints Examination Board
The oral examination must be conducted within the next 6 months.
Review of the thesis
Reviewers provide preliminary recommendation on acceptance, rejection or return of the thesis
Within 3 months of submitting the thesis
Reviewers create final review and agree on a final grade for the thesis
Within 6 months of submitting the thesis
Display of the thesis and of the reviews for the authorised examiners who are members and fellows of the Faculty of Humanities
Arranged by the Examination Office, for at least 10 days.
Oral examination
Immediately following the examination:
The Examination Board decides on the the grade for the oral examination;
The chairperson of the Examination Board shall inform the candidate of the results of the doctoral examination.
Thesis must be published within a period of 2 years after the day of the oral examination.
Doctoral candidate receives certificate that the examination has been passed.
It details that the doctoral degree may not be used before award of the doctorate.
Review phase of the thesis
First academic advisor confirms fulfilment of the requirements through a revision certificate
Publication
Delivery of the mandatory copies to the Examination Office
Award of the doctorate: Presentation of the doctorate degree certificate