



Information on the application interview for the doctoral program «Care and Rehabilitation Sciences»

If the ZHAW Preliminary Examination Committee gives a positive assessment of an application, it informs the applicant and forwards the dossier with the application form directly to the University of Zurich (UZH).

The next step is the application interview. Please note the dates. These are posted early on the website of the Faculty of Medicine of the UZH. You will receive an invitation to the interview from UZH, stating the exact location (at UZH) and time.

Procedure

The application interview takes place with the members of the Doctoral Program Commission (link: [Doctoral Program Commission](#)).

It consists of a short presentation of your project in English of max. 5 minutes resp. max. 5 slides. This will be followed by a 10-15 minute discussion with the members of the Doctoral Council Program Committee, focusing on the method(s) and organization of your project.

The presence of your supervisor is welcome.

State of your project

If you are entering the PhD preparation phase, your project is probably still in an early phase and much may not be clear yet. Nevertheless, please formulate a clear research question and build your background (derivation and location of the research question in the scientific literature) and methods on it. There may still be changes in the methods as well. It is important for the PhD program committee that we get an impression of whether you know methods and can present their strengths and weaknesses with regard to your research question.

Your Preparation

Discuss your project, method(s), and organization with your supervisor and other colleagues.

We also recommend that you practice your presentation in advance and get feedback. If you do not have the opportunity to rehearse your presentation in advance, you can do so at the ZHAW. Please contact Prof. Hannu Luomajoki for this purpose (hannu.luomajoki@zhaw.ch).

Pay particular attention to making the slides meaningful, but also clear and not too crowded. Discuss the slides as well as your presentation style and attitude with other colleagues and preferably with your supervisor.

Contact person for questions regarding the interview:

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