

**Second Amendment of the Rules and Regulations for the Dr. phil/Ph.D.
of the Department of Political and Social Sciences
of the Freie Universität Berlin**

Preamble

By virtue of Section 14, Paragraph 1, No. 2 of the partial basic regulation (TGO trial model) of Freie Universität Berlin from October 27th, 1998 (FU Notification 24/1998) in connection with Section 70, Paragraph 5 of the Higher Education Act of the State of Berlin (Berlin Higher Education Act (Berliner Hochschulgesetz – BerlHG)) in the version of the bulletin on the revised version of July 26th, 2011 (GVBl., p. 378) most recently amended by Section 1 of the law of July 11th, 2023 (GVBl. p. 260), the Expanded Faculty Council of the Department of Political and Social Sciences of the Freie Universität Berlin has issued the following first amendment of the doctorate rules and regulations for the Dr. phil./Ph.D. of the Department of Political and Social Sciences of the Freie Universität Berlin (FU Notification 18/2018 of May 23rd, 2018) on February 12th, 2025:

Article I

1. § 8 Paragraph 2 Clause 3 shall be amended to:

"At least one of the reviewers must be a full professor of the department or – in well founded cases – have been a full professor of the department in the past three years."

2. A new Paragraph 3 shall be added to § 9:

"(3) In deviation from paragraph 2 the Committee for Doctoral Examinations may in well founded cases appoint a doctoral commission in which only two of the reviewers and additional professors are members of the department."

The numbering of the further paragraphs of § 9 shall be amended accordingly.

Article II

These rules and regulations will enter into force on the day following their publication in the Announcements (Official Register of the Freie Universität Berlin).