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IQS (Instituto Químico de Sarrià) School of Management

- Based in Barcelona, Spain
- One of eleven research institutes within Universitat Ramon Llull
- One of Spains best centers for Business Administration and Management Education
- AACSB accredited





The Research Group on **Corporate Governance** (RGCG) @ IQS is fundamentally applied and aims to be of use for managers in the decision-making process, as well as for regulators and policy makers. The main lines of research are audit quality, earnings management and corporate governance.



The emergent Research Group **Consumer Behavior Perspectives** (CONHATIVE) @ IQS focuses on the analysis of consumer behavior in various contexts and aims to analyze the influence of economic policies on consumer behavior.



LEARNING

KNOWLEDGE

EXPERIENCE

SKILLS

ABILITY

COMPETENCE

TRAINING

GROWTH



PhD – Doctor of Philosophy

- An internationally recognized research degree
- Further development of specialist knowledge and deep methodological capacity
- Duration: 3 or 4 years full-time, 5 years part-time
- Significant original research necessary
- Submission of a substantial research thesis as culmination of the degree

Please note: Cost of fieldwork, travelling, publications, living expenses, housing etc. must be covered by students.

Cooperation between ISM and IQS

- Possibility for ISM graduates to apply for a PhD program
- Max. 6 candidates per year
- Preselection made by ISM
- Final admission depending on IQS
- Jointly supervision (1 supervisor each)
- Delivery of the programs according to IQS' Policy and Code of Practice
- Administrative support provided by ISM



Admission, Requirements & Applications

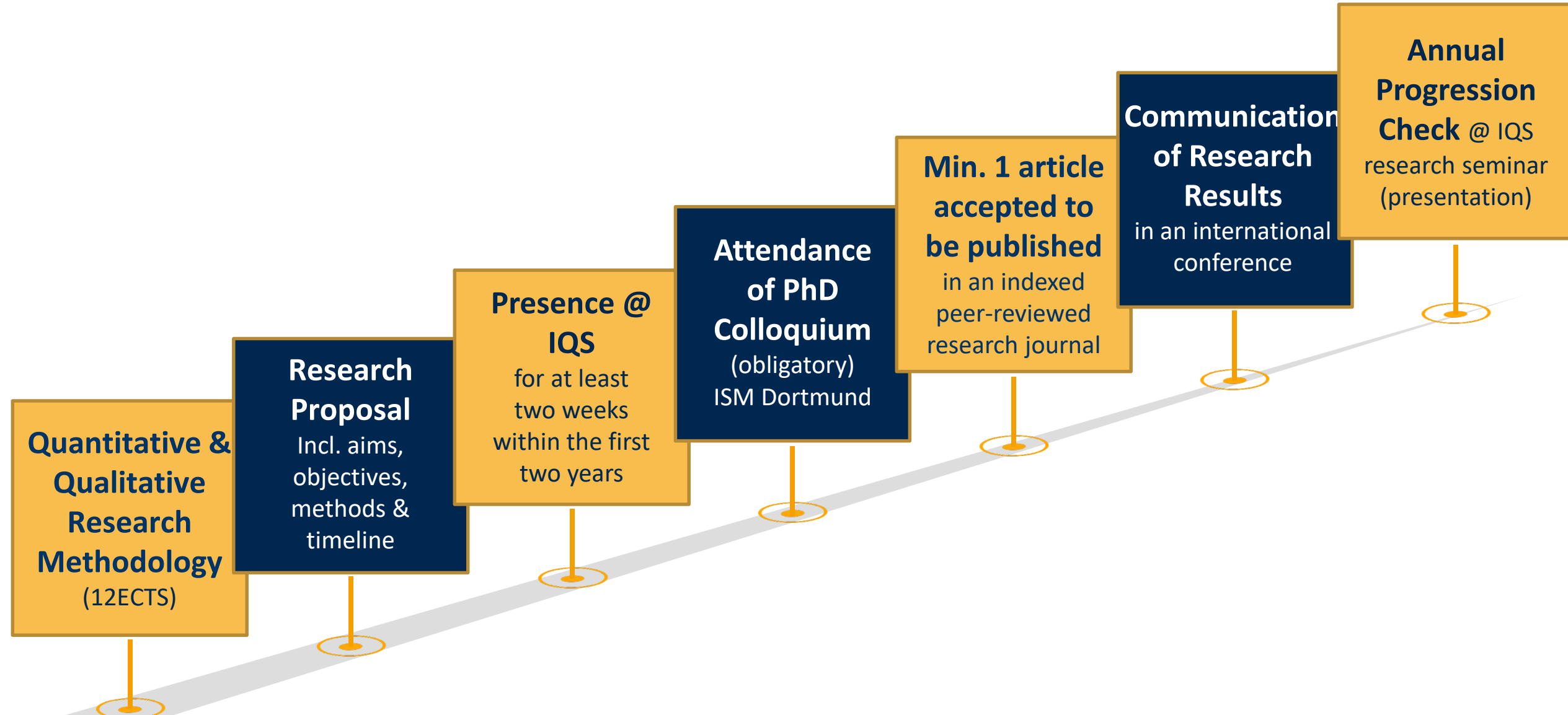


Admission Criteria

All applicants shall fulfill the following criteria:

- Excellence in academic qualifications (e.g.: minimum GPA 2.0)
- An official undergraduate degree or the equivalent
- An official Master's degree in a relevant discipline
- A total of 300 ECTS (min. 60 ECTS at Master's level)
- Proof of English language proficiency at min. C1 level
(IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 90-95 (ibt) or above)
- A research proposal at an appropriate level for doctoral study
(which can be supervised by both IQS and ISM research staff)

Requirements





1

Write a Proposal

- Intended department of research
- Types of research methods to be used
- Relations to any previous research done in this field



2

Send in your application

- Academic transcripts/ Degree certificates
- Two reference letters
- Evidence of financial sponsoring
- Application Form & CV
- English proficiency



3

Review

- Your application is reviewed by ISM.



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Interview

- If successful and if possible, an interview with a IQS staff member is arranged.

Application

Timeline of your application

- Contact your ISM supervisor **as early as possible** to allow sufficient time for the preparation of your final research proposal.
- Deadline for official applications to IQS is **at least 3 months** before the preferred starting date.
- PhD program can start anytime during the year – there are no fixed intakes.



Fees



Program Fees – PhD full-time

Year	Total Fees incl. VAT
Application*	€ 2,500
1	€ 3,500
2	€ 3,500
3	€ 3,500
Total**	€ 13,000

Tuition scholarship

- There is a tuition scholarship for full-time students at IQS, and students do not pay any fee. Only ISM fees apply.

Teaching assistance

- Students are asked to do some teaching assistance (20 hrs./week) during the first two years of the program.

*Proposal fees become due as follows: 500,00 € with signing of the contract 1.000 € after acceptance from ISM, 1000,00 € after acceptance from IQS.

**Fees subject to change; incl. current Net VAT.; exchange rate from 28th November 2020. There are also some expenses at the end for the PhD defence and diploma at IQS (about 300-400€).

Program Fees – PhD part-time

Year	Total Fees incl. VAT
Application*	€ 2,500
1	€ 8,000
2	€ 8,000
3	€ 8,000
Total**	€ 26,500

Extension possible

- An extension of up to max. 5 years is possible and will be charged by ISM with € 3,500 for each additional year. For fees charged by the partner university please contact the program director at Ramon Lull.

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Contact for Applications and Content-Related Questions



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