

Study programme: Doctoral Academic Studies in Biomedical Sciences

Course title: SEMINAR PAPER 1

Teacher: Adviser / mentor

Course status: compulsory

ECTS Credits: 5

Condition: /

Course aim

- Students gain more insight into the scientific field of the doctoral dissertation.
- Students are prepared to write scientific papers independently.

Expected outcome of the course

- Gaining and expanding knowledge in the specific field of the doctoral dissertation.
- Successful realization of research within the doctoral dissertation.
- Competency to write scientific papers.

Course description

Seminar Paper 1 is concerned with issues and topics in the field of the doctoral dissertation. The topic of the paper can reflect a theoretical or practical issue present in literature and practice. Students choose the topic of the seminar paper under the guidance of their teacher (adviser/mentor). The writing of the seminar paper includes gathering, processing and presenting data relevant to the dissertation topic. Seminar Paper 1 can be written in the form of a review paper, original research paper, case study or professional paper:

- the review paper is a systematic, comprehensive and critical representation of a situation in a particular field of research, based on data from literature,
- the original research paper represents the results of independent research and their interpretation,
- the case study is the description of rare, but relevant cases in practice for the given field of research,
- the professional paper is a representation and verification of results of previous researches with the aim to adapt research to the needs of the existing science.

In technical terms, the seminar paper should, as a rule, contain a title page, a structured summary (up to 300 words) with keywords (3-5), table of contents, introduction, objectives, main part (if authors are presenting their own results, this part includes the material, methods and results), discussion, conclusion, and literature cited according to the Vancouver referencing style. The title page should contain basic information: University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Medicine in Novi Sad, title of the seminar paper, name of the teacher (adviser/mentor), name of the candidate, index number, place and year of writing. The length of the paper is from 10 to 15 pages in the A4 format (1800 characters with spaces are considered as a unit of measure of the volume of one page).

The defence of the seminar paper is public, before the Programme Council, and is a part of teaching activities. By writing and defending the seminar paper, students obtain a certain number of ECTS points, while the grade given after the defence of the seminar paper enters the average grade.

Recommended literature			
Mentors recommend the necessary literature.			
Number of active classes	Theory: -	Practice (SRW): 210	
		Other: 150	
Teaching methods			
Consultations with an adviser/mentor.			
Student activity assessment (maximally 100 poi	nts)		
presentation of the seminar paper: 30			
defence of the seminar paper: 70			