

This is the Decision of the the Doctoral Degree Board of the programmes „Global Change Forestry“ Faculty of Forestry and Wood Sciences, Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague. This Decision modifies the roles for the Defence of Literary Research published by the Deans' Regulation no 12/2022.

A literature review is not a repetition of generally known facts. It is based on research questions and hypotheses raised with a particular focus on missing knowledge in the studied field. The research question must be supported by the approved methodology and objectives of the dissertation, it must be sufficiently specific. The majority of literary sources will include recent works - the minimum number of citations is 20. The length of one research question is 1,000 characters, including spaces. The total scope of the literature search is 10 pages.

A PowerPoint presentation is a key part of a literature review defence. Each research question and hypothesis will be presented and confronted with the most important publications. An appropriate methodology should be part of the literature review defence. The instruments involved in the experiments and the suggestion of statistical tools necessary to carry out the research will be presented. In case of continuity of the research from the master study the achieved results might be presented. It must be clear from the presentation that the student has read all recent articles, and that he understands the given issue. If the student already has his own research results, he can list them. The duration of the presentation is 15 minutes, followed by a discussion with the committee members.

The commission will be proposed by the chairman of the graduate board, it will be composed of at least three experts from the teaching staff, who will be the experts in the given topics.