**Institute of Graduate Studies and Research**

**PhD Thesis Defense Jury Establishment Principles**

**PhD Thesis Defense Juries are established according to the following principles;**

* The student should attend at least three successful thesis monitoring committee.
* The student must provide an acceptance letter from a journal including a DOI number (Digital Object Identifier), where the DOI number will active and identify that publication and the journal.
* The publication should be derived from the student’s PhD study.
* Students research article for establishing the PhD defense jury must be indexed in a ISI Master List, “Science Citation Index (SCI), Social Science Citation Index (SSCI) and Arts & Humanities Citation Index (AHCI), Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-Ex)” journals.
* The PhD thesis should be written according to the Thesis Writing Guidelines which is available on Institute of Graduate Studies and Research [web](https://www.ciu.edu.tr/page/forms-906) page.
* The PhD thesis must be checked by the student's supervisor through the plagiarism program. Total similarity ratio in thesis should not exceed 2% from a single source and 20% in total of thesis.
* Thesis supervisor must fill [PhD Thesis Defense Jury Form](https://www.ciu.edu.tr/files/PhD%20Thesis%20Defence%20Jury%20Form.xlsx), [Publication Declaration Form](https://www.ciu.edu.tr/files/uku-doktora-tez-yayin-bildirimi-juri-formu.docx) and [Higher Education Planning, Evaluation, Accreditation and Coordination Council (YODAK) of Northern Cyprus Form](https://www.ciu.edu.tr/files/uku-yodak-dosyasi.docx) for establishing the PhD Thesis Defense Jury.
* The PhD thesis jury is established with the suggestion of the thesis supervisor, agreement of the head of the related program and the final approval of the Institute.