



**FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF RIO GRANDE DO NORTE  
CENTER OF HUMAN SCIENCES, LETTERS, AND ARTS  
POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM IN SOCIAL SCIENCES  
(Master and Doctorate)**

**INTERNAL RULES OF THE PROGRAM**

**CHAPTER I  
PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS**

**Art. 1** - The Postgraduate Program in Social Sciences (PPGCS), integrated to the Center for Human Sciences, Letters and Arts (CCHLA) of the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN), is intended to offer, at the Master's and Doctorate degrees, courses aimed at multidisciplinary training, in line with the social and cultural transformations and the intellectual and scientific debate of the moment, always updating the vocation of Social Sciences.

**Sole paragraph** - The Program will be governed by the principles of autonomy of thought and of the university, of respect for epistemological and methodological choices, which are also witnessed by practices that ensure the aptitudes of the university tradition, favorable to the development of intellectual autonomy, while debate and the independent elaboration of knowledge.

**CHAPTER II  
ON OBJECTIVES**

**Art. 2** - The objectives of the Program are:

I - Training researchers in the field of social sciences, understanding their diverse areas, encouraging the production of multi - disciplinary knowledge, which represents contribution

to critical thinking and the consolidation of a culture of ideas committed to freedom and democracy;

II - Training of professors for undergraduate and graduate teaching in the field of Social Sciences, in harmony with classic and contemporary epistemological and methodological perspectives, which is also training for teaching committed to an integral vision of the human being;

III - Academic training aimed at preparing professionals in the areas of consultancy and assistance to public or private organizations and institutions.

### **CHAPTER III ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAM**

**Art. 3** - The Program is structured in an area of concentration (Social Sciences) and in 04 major lines of research: 1. Complexity, Culture, Social Thinking; 2. Social Dynamics and Practices; 3. Territory, Development and Public Policies; and 4. State, Government, and Society.

**§ 1** - The concentration in lines of research will determine the curricular structure and the orientation of students.

**§ 2** -The lines of research will be evaluated every three years by the Whole Collegiate Board of Professors of the Program, through a report to be prepared by 2 permanent professors who are members of each line of research, and, according to the judgment of the Collegiate, may be deactivated.

**§ 3** - If any line of research is deactivated, a new line may be created, provided that it is relevant to the Program and that there are professors and researchers who can organize it.

**§ 4** - A line of research, to be approved by the Whole Collegiate of the PPGCS, must have:

- a) At least two permanent professors of the Program;
- b) Relevant academic and scientific production;

c) Regular research, teaching, and students' supervision activities.

**Art. 4** - It is the interest of the Program to their members, professors, and students, to associate to compose groups research.

**§ 1** - The groups of research that have professors accredited in PPGCS become integrated into the program.

**§ 2** - The groups of research should refer to PPGCS their reports annually for research, extension, and education.

#### **CHAPTER IV ON ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION**

**Art. 5** ° - The administration of the program is the responsibility of one Coordination, of the Whole Collegiate Board of Professors, and of the Collegiate Board of Representatives, under the support of these Internal Rules, the standards for graduate and other norms in force in UFRN.

**Art. 6** - The Program Coordination is composed of 1 (one) Coordinator and 1 (one) Vice-coordinator, elected by direct vote of professors, students and employees linked to the Program, according to the rules in force at UFRN for elections in the scope of the institution.

**§ 1** - The Coordinator and the Vice-coordinator will have a term of 02 (two) years, with a renewal being allowed, through a new election.

**§ 2** - Only permanent professors of the Program may be Coordinators and Vice-coordinator.

**§ 3** - If there is a vacancy in the role of Coordinator, the Vice-Coordinator will take over, who will then exercise the role of Coordinator, and elections will be held to fill the role of Vice-Coordinator. If there is a vacancy in the role of Vice-coordinator, elections will be held to fill the role.

**§ 4** - In the case in which there is vacancy simultaneously the functions, by resignation or impediment of any nature, will assume the role of Coordinator of the professor more permanent old in the program or to succeed him by order of seniority.

**§ 5** - The Program Coordinator accumulates the role of Head of the Whole Collegiate Board of Professors, of the Collegiate Board of Representatives, and of the Commission of Scholarships of PPGCS. In his absence, it is the Vice-coordinator who assumes these functions.

**Art. 7** - The Postgraduate Program in Social Sciences has a secretariat for administrative support.

## **CHAPTER V ON COMPOSITION AND CAPACITIES OF THE WHOLE COLLEGIATE BOARD OF PROFESSORS**

**Art. 8 °** - The Whole Collegiate, constituted by all the professors of the program (permanent employees and visitors), for all technical and administrative employees crowded in PPGCS and two (2) student representatives (one of the Master's course and another Doctoral degree, elected by all the students enrolled in PPGCS), is the body deliberating most of the program and help to its coordination and the Collegiate of Representatives. When convened by the Program Coordination, it ordinarily meets once each academic semester and extraordinarily when convened by the Program Coordination or 1/3 (one third) of its members. In addition to the attributions provided for in the rules for graduate studies in force at UFRN, the Whole Collegiate is responsible for:

I - Establish a policy academic of the Program in relation to the production of knowledge and the activities of education and outreach;

II - Create and modify Courses within the scope of the Program;

III - Establish the curricular structure and organization of the Program's teaching, as well as undertake changes in this area;

IV - Establish the requirements and the selection model for student admission;

V - Designate the Commissions for the selection of candidates for admission to the Master and Doctorate courses;

VI - Evaluate research and teaching activities within the scope of the Program, in line with its academic policy and objectives;

VII - Designate the editors and editorial commissions of the periodicals and books published by the Program;

VIII - Stimulate and monitor the Program's publication vehicles;

IX - Deliberate on academic subjects submitted to it by the Program Coordination or by other instances of UFRN;

X - Create and modify normative resolutions for specific matters within the scope of the Program;

XI - Suggest chamber Graduate through PPG-UFRN: a) changes occurring in the structure of the course with the respective headings, abstract indicative of program content, workloads, number of credits, and bibliographies; b) The Internal Regulations and subsequent amendments;

XII - To designate, among its permanent members, every 02 (two) years, the composition of the Collegiate of Representatives, the Commission for the Accreditation of Professors and the Committee for Scholarships.

## **CHAPTER VI ON COMPOSITION AND CAPACITIES OF THE COLLEGIATE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Art. 9** - The Collegiate of Representatives is made up of the Program Coordinator and Vice- Coordinator, who are its natural members, of 5 (five) representatives of the Program's permanent faculty, elected in a meeting of the Whole Collegiate, and 2 (two) student representatives, one from the Master's course and the other from the Doctorate course, elected by the group of students regularly enrolled in the PPGCS. All members of this Collegiate will have a term of 2 (two) years. In addition to the duties provided for in the rules for the graduate in force in UFRN, competes to the Board of Representatives of the Program:

I - Accredite, re-accredite and disqualify professors in/ from the Program, in accordance with the provisions of this Regulation and Resolution 001/2012-PPGCS;

II - Discuss and approve the schedule of activities of the Program;

III - Discuss and approve the offer of disciplines for each academic term;

IV - Approve the creation of working committees in various fields of activities of the Program, such as stalls for examination of qualification, Defense of Dissertation and Defense Thesis of students of the program, among other cases;

V - Appreciate applications for enrollment, by transfer, of students from other HEIs (i.e., Higher Education Institutions); decide on the use of disciplines taken by students in other HEIs; to deliberate requests for extension of deadlines for completion of the course, dismissals of students from the Program and other related matters, observing the general rules for postgraduate studies at UFRN and these Internal Regulations;

a) Specific work commissions will be constituted, by Ordinance of the Program Coordination, to assess and issue an opinion on the transfer requests referred to in item V of the caput; b) Designate a Commission to issue an opinion on processes for the revalidation of a Postgraduate diploma issued abroad;

VI - Treat and deliberate on matters of administrative or academic order that will be submitted by the Coordination Program or member of the Board.

## **CHAPTER VII ON ACCREDITATION OF PROFESSORS FOR ACTIVITIES IN THE PROGRAM**

**Art. 10** - To be accredited in one of the categories of Program, the professor interested should submit request for accreditation, by writing to the Coordination of the Program, which to submit to the Commission of Accreditation, to which draw up seem to be appreciated by the Board Representatives, in accordance with Resolution 001/2012-PPGCS. There are 3 (three) the categories of professors of the program: permanent professor, collaborator professor, and visitor professor. The criteria for accreditation in one of the categories are as follows:

I - Permanent professor: be a doctor, have functional relationship with the UFRN, or bond in nature exceptional, and that act in the Program of form continued, developing activities teaching, research and guidance, subject to the terms of the Article 37 of these Internal

Rules. Permanent professors with exceptional ties are characterized by one of the following special conditions:

- a) Are provided by other institutions through a formal agreement or other type of association provided for by CAPES to act as a professor of the Program;
- b) Receive a bag of attachment professors or bag search for agents fomentation;
- c) Whether professors retired from UFRN that have signed with the institution term commitment to participation as professor of the Program.

II - Collaborating professor: being a doctor, professor at UFRN or other national or foreign HEI, who intends to temporarily collaborate for the advancement of the PPGCS, with original contribution, and who has approved the Academic Work Project at the Collegiate of Representatives of the Program;

- a) A professor from UFRN or from another national HEI, doctor, who is out of work and who wishes to collaborate temporarily with the Program, may also be accredited as a collaborating professor, and must also submit an Academic Work Project to the Collegiate of Representatives;
- b) The professor employee can exercise activities of research and education and, exceptionally, heard the Board of Representatives, the activity of guidance, subject to the establishing the Art. 37 of these Bylaws;
- c) The Academic Work Project is the subject of a specific resolution within the scope of the Program.

III - Visiting professor: professor from national or foreign HEIs, doctor or notorious know-how, hired, for a limited period, by programs of fostering agencies or hired by UFRN, or a newly received doctor by scholarship programs from fostering agencies, being able to carry out teaching and research activities and, exceptionally, after hearing the Collegiate of Representatives, the orientation activity, observing what is established in Article 37 of these Internal Regulations.

**Art. 11** - The accreditation of each professor is valid for 03 (three) years and can be renewed for a period of equal duration.

**Sole paragraph** - The re-accreditation of professors will be carried out based on the requirements established in Resolution 001/2012-PPGCS.

**Art. 12** - The professor must keep the Lattes Curriculum up to date and provide complementary information, whenever requested by the Program Coordination.

**Art. 13** - Professor (permanent or collaborating) who are occupying positions of management Superior or Director of Center shall request the suspension of PPGCS of accreditation during the exercise period of these functions.

## **CHAPTER VIII ON NEW STUDENTS, CHANGE OF LEVEL AND READMISSION**

**Art. 14** - It may be admitted to PPGCS person trained in higher education, in any area of knowledge, which is subject to the process of selection adopted by the Program.

**§ 1** - The selection for the Master's and Doctorate will be public and properly regulated by Notice, which will be disclosed, as well as their results, on page Electronic Program.

**§ 2** - To enter the Master's Course, a graduation diploma, issued by national or foreign HEI, obtained in a course recognized by the Ministry of Education is required.

**§ 3rd** -To enter the Doctorate Course, is required degree of master, issued by national HEIs or foreign, obtained in course recognized by the Ministry of Education.

**§ 4** - For admission to the Doctorate, it is possible, on an exceptional basis, to admit people who do not have the title of master, but who prove academic production and compatible intellectual maturity.

**§ 5** - To this end, the applicant must meet the following requirements: proof production academic recently (notably, publication of books, chapters of books and articles in qualified journals); prove intellectual conditions for development study in level of doctorate; prove conditions of full dedication to the doctorate; prove qualification in language foreign, as the that establishes the Art. 36 of this Bylaws.



**Art. 15** - The number of vacancies to be offered by PPGCS, for the Master and Doctorate, will be decided in a meeting of the Whole Collegiate.

**Sole paragraph** - The number of vacancies(s) per professor will be defined considering the academic production of each professor (qualified publications, disciplines taught and average time of defense of the students).

**Art. 16** - The selection will be made by committees established by the Whole Collegiate of the program, made by members of your frame of professors permanent.

**Art. 17** - The approval of candidates for the Master's and Doctorate shall be effected, as requirements and model of selection in force in the program and established by the Whole Collegiate, and with a view to completing the number of places provided for each selection.

**Art. 18** - The candidate rated should mandatorily carry to their enrollment early in the first period school regularly after the process selective, without the which will lose the right to admission to the respective course.

**Art. 19** - Having joined the program to perform Master course, the student can claim, without the process of selection public and by the inscription on notice specific, level of change to the course of Doctorate.

**§ 1** - The progressive internal change from the Master's course to the Doctorate course is considered as an application of the principle of integration and continuity of postgraduate studies for students who are regularly enrolled in the PPGCS, which prove excellent academic performance and who have not interrupted, suspended or extended their Master's course.

**§ 2** - The request to pass from the Master to the Doctorate, through the internal process of changing the level, will only be possible for the student who proves experience in research activity, publication in periodicals, books and qualified book chapters, and presentation of a project thesis, as specified in the notice.

**§ 3** - The student's request must be formalized through a written piece by his or her supervisor, who will become part of the dossier to be submitted to the Collegiate of Representatives, through his Presidency.

**§ 4** - Each request for change of level will be evaluated by an Examining Board (formed by 02 professors of PPGCS, one of them being the possible future advisor, and 01 member external to the Program), who will interview the student and examine his dossier. At the end, the committee will issue a conclusive opinion that will be forwarded to the Collegiate of Representatives for consideration and approval.

Art. 20 - The readmission, in the Program, of a student who has been dismissed from the course for any reason will only be allowed through public selection.

## **CHAPTER IX ON THE STRUCTURE COURSE, ORGANIZATION OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSORS' REGIMEN**

**Art. 21** - The Course of Master has duration of up to 2 (two) years, including the presentation of the dissertation. The Doctoral Course lasts up to 4 (four) years, including the defense of the thesis. These deadlines are counted from the month/year of the initial enrollment in the course until the month / year of the effective defense of the dissertation or thesis.

**§ 1** - Exceptionally, and instructed by the advisor's opinion, the Collegiate of Representatives may, for a single time, extend the deadlines established in this article for up to 6 (six) months, for the case of Master's students, or for up to 12 (twelve) months for PhD students.

**§ 2** - The extension of time limits can only be requested by proof of passing the exam of qualification.

**Art. 22** - The curricula of the Master's and Doctorate courses follow the credit structure (1 credit corresponds to 15h of class). The provision of subjects will be made through the offering of subjects and thematic seminars by the professors of the Program, in line with the academic policy and objectives of the Program.

**§ 1** - Each professor may offer courses on specific topics of interest, previously informed to the Program Coordination, which, after approval by the Collegiate of Representatives, will become part of the offer of disciplines for the academic semester. Thematic courses and seminars will correspond to the number of credits established in the Program's curriculum structure, namely: 01 (one), 02 (two) or 04 (four) credits.

**§ 2** - The curriculum components of the PPGCS are: Disciplines and Activities (Master's Dissertation, Doctoral Thesis, Qualification Examination and Proficiency in Foreign Languages).

**§ 3** - The Curriculum Structure of the Program, including the list of subjects, with their respective codes, load time and credits, passes to be attached this Regiment Internal.

**Art. 23** - The disciplines of the Master and Doctorate Courses are divided by lines of research.

**Sole paragraph** - Are subjects common to all research lines of PPGCS: Theories Social Classics, Theories Social Contemporary, Epistemology of Sciences Social, Methods in Sciences Social, Seminar of Research (I and II), Seminar of Dissertation, Seminar of Thesis and Training Teaching in Social Sciences (I and II).

**Art. 24** - The proposition of new disciplines or their reformulation will be permitted at any time, in compliance with the legislation of UFRN.

**Sole paragraph** - The proposal to create or reformulate new disciplines must contain: abstract; accreditation; workload; and basic bibliography.

**Art. 25** - To conclude the Master's course, the student must make a minimum total of 16 credits, distributed as follows: 12 credits in subjects, taken during the academic semesters that make up the years of the Master, and 04 credits, mandatorily, of the Dissertation Seminar.

**Paragraph one** - The student of Master must submit their work of Dissertation in progress Qualification Exam, with at least six (06) months of his presentation end. The form of the examination qualification is established by Art. 42 of Internal Rules.

**Art. 26** - To conclude the Doctorate, the student must make a minimum total of 16 credits, distributed as follows: 12 credits in subjects, taken during the academic semesters that make up the years of the Doctorate, and 04 credits, necessarily, from the Seminar of Thesis.

**Sole paragraph** - The student must present his PhD thesis work in progress the examination of qualification, activity to be carried out with advance minimum of 24 (twenty-

four) months from the conclusion of the course. The form of the Qualification Exam is established by Article 43 of these Internal Regulations.

**Art. 27** - To pay the required minimum credits or supplementary credits, the student may take courses offered by other *stricto sensu* postgraduate programs, with the consent of the supervisor.

**Art. 28** - The approval in discipline will depend on the evaluation carried out by the professor, in the form of written work, which obtains a final grade equal to or higher than C, the student not having failed to attend frequency equal to or higher than 75% (seventy - five per percent) of the teaching activities developed in the discipline.

**§ 1** - The disciplines must be consolidated in the Integrated System of Management of Academic Activities (the Sigaa) of UFRN, by the professor (s) responsible, within 90 (ninety) days, counted from the end of the academic semester.

**§ 2** - The student has the right to request in writing to the Program Coordination a review of the concept assigned by the professor, within up to 05 (five) working days after the date of the disclosure of the result of his evaluation.

**§ 3** - It is incumbent upon the Coordination to install a final concept review commission attributed to the student, through Ordinance, which shall be composed of 03 (three) professors.

**Art. 29** - The student will be automatically disconnected from the Course to which he is linked and will lose his institutional enrollment at UFRN, in the event of one of the following situations:

- I. Do not defend a dissertation or thesis within the maximum period of permanence in the course;
- II. Have two failures in discipline or activity;
- III. Do not make registration within the time limits set by the academic calendar;
- IV. Not prove qualification in language (s) foreign (s) (Test of Proficiency) until the end of the first year of registration, as establishes the Art. 36 of the Rules Procedure.

**Art. 30** - After  $\frac{1}{4}$  (a quarter) of the academic term, the student is allowed to request the locking of the discipline, provided that the advisor agrees.

**Sole paragraph** - The student may not request more than 2 (two) disciplines during the time he is enrolled in the Course.

**Art. 31** - Enrollments in disciplines or activities will be carried out every six months.

**Art. 32** - In the academic semester in which the student chooses not to take any discipline or has already paid in all the minimum credits required for the Course, he/she must register for the Master's Dissertation or Doctoral Thesis activity.

**Art. 33** - Exceptionally, the student (both master's and doctorate) will be able to lock enrollment for a single academic semester. To do so, you must submit a written request to the Program Coordination, accompanied by the advisor's opinion. This requirement will be considered by the Collegiate of Representatives of the PPGCS.

**§ 1** - In the event of locking of registration, the half locked not be computed for counting effect of duration of the courses, as provided in Art. 21 of these Bylaws.

**§ 2** - The student who does the enrollment lockout may not request an extension of the deadline for completing the course.

**Art. 34.** Will attend the courses offered by the program students who are subscribing as Special Students.

**§ 1** - It is the discipline professor's office admit the special students and may establish criteria for it and set the number of students who admit, respecting the number maximum of 50% (fifty per cent) of regular students enrolled in the course.

**§ 2** - The student may not take more than 02 (two) subjects of the Program in the condition of Special Student and will be submitted to the same forms of evaluation of achievement and approval in discipline as the Regular Student.

**§ 3** - The credits obtained in the condition of student special may be computed when the execution of the regular registration, after approval in public selection process, as established in Art. 35 of these Rules Internal.

**Art. 35** - The Collegiate of Representatives may approve requests for the use of disciplines, taken within the scope of UFRN, or the use of credits, when the subjects are taken at other institutions.

**§ 1** - The student will be able to take a maximum of 08 (eight) credits.

**§ 2** - The application for achievement must be accompanied by the following documents: letter of request and proof of approval in the discipline (statement issued by the institution or history of a special student).

**§ 3** - Only courses taken in the last 05 (five) can be taken.

**§ 4** - The disciplines of the Master's Degree in Sciences Social of UFRN cannot be credited by Doctoral students of the same program.

**Art. 36** - The regular student of the Master Course must present proof of qualification in 1 (one) foreign language (Test of Proficiency) until the end of the first year of enrollment. The student of Doctorate must present qualification certificate on 2 (two) foreign languages (Test of Proficiency) until the end of the first year of enrollment.

**§ 1** - The foreign languages considered for the purpose of this article are those contained in the curriculum structure of the Program: Spanish, French and English.

**§ 2** - The minimum grade to pass the exam of proficiency is 7.0 (seven).

**§ 3** - In addition to the *caput*, proof of proficiency in Portuguese will be required for foreign students.

## **CHAPTER X ON ACADEMIC SUPERVISING**

**Art. 37** - The supervisor of dissertation or thesis should be teaching the frame professors permanent the program or, exceptionally, collaborating professors or visiting professors, in accordance with the that established the Art. 10 of these Bylaws.

**Art. 38** - The maximum number of students per advisor will be defined by the Whole Collegiate, in compliance with CAPES recommendations for the Program area.

**Art. 39** - The advisor is responsible for monitoring the student's path in his studies in the Program, in the development of research and in the production and presentation of the final work.

**§ 1** - As long as it is necessary, it is possible to change the advisor at the request of the student or professor, made through a written request to the Program Coordination.

**§ 2** - It is essential that the applicant attaches to the process a document signed by the new supervising professor, in which he expresses his agreement to assume the orientation.

**§ 3** - The Board of Representatives will review the case and decide the approval or not of the request.

## **CHAPTER XI ON DISSERTATION AND THESIS SEMINARS**

**Art. 40** - The Dissertation Seminar is a compulsory subject of the Master's course, held under the responsibility of one or more professors, and is intended to discuss the dissertation work of the enrolled students.

**Paragraph one** - This course is requirement mandatory for that the student perform the Qualifying Exam. It will be included in the activities of the second semester of the first year of the student's course.

**Art. 41** - The Thesis Seminar is a discipline of the Doctorate course, held under the responsibility of one or more professors, and is intended for the presentation and discussion of ongoing Thesis works, and must be organized in the first academic semester of the second year of student's course.

**Paragraph one** - This course is requirement mandatory for that the student perform the Qualifying Exam.

## **CHAPTER XII ON QUALIFICATION EXAM**

**Art. 42** - The Qualification Exam of the Master's student, mandatory activity, will take place within 120 (one hundred and twenty) days after the conclusion of the Dissertation Seminar and will take place as follows:

I - Presentation of the progress of the Dissertation, through written work, to be read and discussed by an Examining Board, composed of 3 (three) invited professors, including the supervisor, indicated by the latter and approved by the Collegiate of Representatives;

II - At the end of the Exam, the Examining Board will issue an appraisal report on the student's work, approving or failing;

III - The Qualification Exam is of a public nature and must take place on a date, time and place previously fixed.

**Art. 43** - The Qualification Exam of the Doctorate student, mandatory activity, will take place within 180 (one hundred and eighty) days after the conclusion of the Seminar of Thesis and will take place as follows:

I - Presentation of the progress of the thesis, through the work written to be read and discussed by one Banking Examiner, composed of 3 (three) professors, including the supervisor, indicated by this last and approved by the Board of Representatives;

II - At the end of the Exam, the Examining Board will issue an appraisal report on the student's work, approving or failing;

III - The Seminar of Thesis is of a public nature and must take place on a date, time and place previously fixed.

### **CHAPTER XIII ON DEFENSE OF DISSERTATION AND THESIS**

**Art. 44** - Only the conclusion work (dissertation or thesis) of the student who has fulfilled all credits in disciplines required by the PPGCS, and who has been approved in all activities, will be submitted to judgment.

**Art. 45** - For the Defense of Dissertation and Defense thesis, the student must deposit in the Secretariat of the Program, 30 (thirty) days before the date set for the defenses, eight (8) copies of the work (PhD) and 5 ( five) copies (master's).



**Art. 46** - Both in the case of the Master as in the PhD, the advisor should register the proposed Examining Board in the Integrated Management Activities Academic (SIGAA). The Examining Board of the final work, which will have the supervisor as its President, must have the following composition:

I - Master:

a) Three members: 2 (two) professors of the body teaching the program (between permanent employees or visitors), including the supervisor, plus one (1) professor of another HEI, as full members, plus one (1) alternate, also from the PPGCS faculty . The professors should be doctors.

II - Doctorate:

a) Five members: 3 (three) professors of the body teaching the program (between permanent employees or visitors), including the supervisor, two (2) professors of another HEI, as full members, plus two (2) alternate members (a PPGCS professor and a professor external to UFRN). The professors should be doctors.

**Sole paragraph** - Exceptions will be decided by the Collegiate of Representatives.

**Art. 47** - The Dissertation Defense and the Thesis Defense must occur considering the following requirements:

I - The conclusion work will be considered approved if it obtains approval by, at least 02 (two) examiners, in the case of Master's Degree, or 04 (four) examiners, in the case of Doctorate;

II - The Examining Board may require corrections in the normalization of writing and others that may be necessary, including its approval and / or final deposit in the UFRN Libraries to this requirement;

III - The delivery of copies of the Dissertation or Thesis, with the corrections required by the Examining Board, must be made at the Program Secretariat within a maximum period of 90 (ninety) days from the date of the defense.

**Art. 48** - The result of the end of the defense will be recorded in the Minutes, which should contain information on the work and information regarding the evaluation of it, it must be signed by all the full members of the Examining Board and by the student author.

**Sole paragraph** - It is the responsibility of the Program Secretariat to request from the student the necessary documents to proceed with the process of releasing their Master or Doctor Diploma.

**Art. 49** - The preparation, dispatch and award of the Doctor or Master's degree in Social Sciences will take place in accordance with the legislation in force at UFRN.

#### **CHAPTER XIV ON GENERAL, TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Art. 50** - The omitted cases will be resolved by the Whole Collegiate and by the Collegiate of Representatives of the PPGCS, according to their specific statutory and regimental attributions.

**Art. 51** - The Postgraduate Program in Social Sciences is governed by these Internal Regulations on the date of its publication, the provisions to the contrary being revoked.

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Whole Collegiate Board of Professors of the Program of Graduate  
Studies in Sciences Social UFRN.