



Report on the proposal for modification of Doctorate Programme

Programme Denomination	Doctoral Programme in Social Education and Communication
University applicant	University of Málaga
University participant	--
Centre	Educational Sciences Faculty (29011412) Communication Sciences Faculty (29014656)

The Andalusian Knowledge Agency Direction for Evaluation and Accreditation (DEVA), has evaluated the modification provided in the Doctoral Programme concerning the attainment of the aforementioned official doctoral degree, in accordance with Royal Decree 861/2010, July, 2, by which Royal Decree 1393/2007, October, 29, is revised establishing the regulation of official education, with the peculiarities included in Royal Decree 99/2011, January, 28, regulating the official doctoral education.

The evaluation of the proposal for modification of the programme has been conducted by the Doctoral Evaluation Commission.

According to the legally established procedure, a **FAVOURABLE** evaluation report is issued by the Doctoral Commission.

The modification requested is mainly concerned with the following aspects: The Doctoral Programme description, Doctoral students' Access and Admission, Training activities, Human Resources.

The following proposals for modification are accepted:

Criterion I: Doctoral Programme description

The increased number of 3 positions at the Faculty of Communication Sciences (from 5 to 8), and of 5 positions at the Faculty of Educational Sciences (from 15 to 20) is explained. Additionally, a complete roster of tutor profiles and documentary evidence of their research quality have



been provided. There have been also explained the reasons for the distribution of lines of research following enrolment due to the University of Málaga regulations and, finally, it is specified that the ratio teacher/students is 1,49 and, therefore it is within the recommended range.

The programme maintains its organisation and structure. The current names of the people responsible for the degree will be updated, as well as the legal representative and the applicant's ones.

The link referred to the UMA normative for continuity is updated.

Criterion III. Doctoral students' Access and Admission.

The list of Masters degrees providing direct access to Doctoral Programmes has been increased by including several new programmes, as well as seven *Maestrías* included in the agreement signed between the University and the Secretary of State of Veracruz. The grade point average for the selection of candidates has also been modified. The links to the previous programme Information Systems and the Postgraduate and Doctoral Vice-Rectorate website have been updated.

The list of doctoral educational activities is updated in order to be adapted to the subjects of the new Masters provided.

Criterion IV: Educational activities.

Concerning educational activities, the subject "English online" is modified to "Academic English online". It is an activity with 100 teaching hours, online and on-site classes.

Criterion V. Human Resources.

It has been increased to 73 the number of teachers in the Programme. The teachers' experience in research is certified through the data provided (82, 2 % has six-year terms active). Finally, enough data are provided concerning research projects (33 currently active and 21 of them with an IP as Programme professor).

The procedures concerning tutoring and thesis revision have been updated and adapted to the Educational Organisation Plan approved by the University of Málaga for the academic year 2016-2017.



Recommendation for special follow-up:

In order to achieve the Accreditation Renewal, special attention should be paid to the fact that all the lines of research had active projects whose main researcher belonged to the Doctoral Programme.

The University should provide the students with the information concerning the accepted modifications through the available channels.

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