



UNIVERSITY OF DEBRECEN

Faculty of Economics and Business

***Károly Ihrig Doctoral School of
Management and Business***



Brief history of the Doctoral School

In 1993, within the framework of the freshly launched system of doctoral training, the Agricultural University of Debrecen was accredited to train PhD students and to confer PhD degree in two branches of science – *Agricultural science* and *Economics*. After 2000, the Doctoral School was operating in a multidisciplinary manner. The Doctoral School for Multidisciplinary Social and Agricultural Sciences adopted the name of Károly Ihrig in 2008. In 2010, the Doctoral School was awarded accreditation in management and business administration. The research field of the Doctoral School is built on the traditions of its legal predecessor (*macro- and microeconomic, as well as rural development aspects of agribusiness*). In a wider sense, the Doctoral School is active in the field of business/management/business administration.

Organisation of the Doctoral School

The University Council for Doctoral and Habilitation Affairs (EDHT) of the University of Debrecen (DE) supervises the education and procedures of the doctoral school of the Faculty of Economics and Business (GTK). The operation of the Doctoral School is directly supervised by the Doctoral Council for Social Sciences (TDT). The decision-making body of the Doctoral School is the Doctoral School Council (DIT).

Main details of the Doctoral School:

- a) name: **Károly Ihrig Károly Gazdálkodás- és Szervezéstudományok Doktori Iskola**
- b) name in English: **Károly Ihrig Doctoral School of Management and Business**
- c) short name: **Ihrig Károly Doktori Iskola (IK-DI)**
- d) short name in English: **Károly Ihrig Doctoral School (KI-DS)**
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Operation of the Doctoral School

Announcement of research topics. The title of PhD research topics and the names of supervisors are announced on the website of the DS until *15th April* each year, following the resolution of the DS Council based on the recommendations sent in writing until 31st March of the same year. The supervisors present both brief and detailed topic announcements.

Organised doctoral training has two forms: full-time and part-time (in addition to a regular job) students. Admission opportunities and the conditions of admission are disclosed by the DS on its own webpage.

Employees of the University – or those in a situation which can be considered the same as theirs – can request admission and be admitted to the **part-time form** of organised doctoral training while keeping their employment status. Part-time PhD students are obliged to complete the semesters during the same period and with the same conditions as full-time students. Part-time students pay tuition fee, the amount of which is determined by the council of the doctoral school, disclosing it along with the actual admission requirements.

The aim of **individual preparation** is to enable professionals who obtained MSc degrees (or certificates of any equivalent university-level degrees or certifications) in Hungarian or foreign universities, or those who have significant teaching and/or research practice and documented scientific performance (university doctoral degree and/or the satisfactory amount of publications which meet the necessary quality criteria) to obtain a doctoral (PhD) degree. A PhD degree can be obtained by means of individual preparation only in duly justified cases, as it is an exceptional procedure. The reasons for applying for this form of training have to be laid down in writing by the Doctoral Council for Social Sciences during the admission procedure.

Students of the Doctoral School

The Doctoral School admits students mainly from the following courses: Accounting MSc, Enterprise development MSc, Human resources consultancy MSc, Rural development agricultural engineering MSc and Agricultural enterprise economics MSc. Students admitted to doctoral training can undertake various tasks. The completion of the given task is verified by the head of the organisational unit responsible for the given educational activity. Records are kept of graduates both by the secretary of the Doctoral Council for Social Sciences and the administrator of the Doctoral School.

More than 100 PhD students obtained their degrees between 1993 and 2014.

Quality assurance policy of the Doctoral School

The aim of doctoral training is to enable doctoral candidates to perform high quality scientific work. They have to be able to plan and conduct primary and secondary research, as well as to process the respective technical literature in an analytical and synthesising manner. Obtaining scientific methodological skills and using these methods are a requirement during the PhD course. Doctoral candidates have to present these skills and abilities during the preparation and defense of their doctoral theses. The council of the Doctoral School evaluates the progress obtained by the given PhD student in his/her research topic, as well as the performance of the doctoral candidate and his/her supervisor.

International relations of the Doctoral School

In the future, the Doctoral School intends to launch an international training program in English. Foreign speakers and researchers are planned to be invited occasionally. The development of international relations is of special significance in the activity of the Doctoral School. It is possible for our students to participate in part-time training abroad and to get to know foreign research institutes. Foreign PhD students can also take part in the training of the Doctoral School within the framework of the Erasmus program.

**REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE
KÁROLY IHRIG DOCTORAL SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS**

Name	Scientific degree	Year of birth	Year of habilitation	University classification
József Popp	Doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Science (DSc)	1955	2008	university professor
Csaba Berde	candidate of agr. sc. (CSc)	1951	2000	university professor
Mihály Fülöp	candidate of historical sc. (CSc)	1953	1999	university professor
Miklós Herdon	economic sciences (PhD)	1950	2006	university professor
András Nábrádi	candidate of economic sc. (CSc)	1956	1999	university professor
Zoltán Szakály	candidate of agr. sc. (CSc)	1965	2002	university professor
János Borsos	doctor of agricultural sc. (DSc)	1936	-	professor emeritus
Imre Ertsey	candidate of agr. sc. (CSc)	1947	-	professor emeritus
János Lazányi	doctor of agricultural sc. (DSc)	1951	1998	professor emeritus
Zsolt Nemessályi	candidate of agr. sc. (CSc)	1944	-	professor emeritus
Gábor Szabó	doctor of economic sciences (DSc)	1942	-	professor emeritus
Attila Bai	economic sciences (PhD)	1967	2009	associate professor
László Huzsvai	crop production and horticultural sciences (PhD)	1961	2009	associate professor
Miklós Pakurár	crop production and horticultural sciences (PhD)	1959	2011	associate professor
Károly Pető	candidate of agr. sc. (CSc)	1958	2007	associate professor
Edit Szűcs	management and business administration sciences (PhD)	1955	2008	college professor
István Szűcs	economic sciences (PhD)	1968	2013	associate professor