Recommendations for the Submission of Habilitations at the Centre for Sports Science and University Sports, University of Vienna

The prerequisite for carrying out independent teaching at the University of Vienna is a habilitation. It is expressly stipulated that the general guidelines for obtaining a habilitation under Austrian law as laid down in the statutes of the University of Vienna remain fully applicable. For more details, please visit https://satzung.univie.ac.at/alle-weiteren-satzungsinhalte/habilitation/. The requirements recommended here for obtaining a habilitation at the Centre for Sport Science and University Sports are guidelines to assess the degree of scientific independence, i.e. if the candidate has a clearly recognizable research profile and documented experience in university-level teaching. Fulfilment of all criteria does not automatically lead to a habilitation, and that the required scientific independence for a habilitation could be given if not all requirements listed below are completely fulfilled.

Research

The assessment of the candidate's research profile is based on scientific publications resulting from research in the postdoc phase performed independently from the doctoral or PhD advisor(s) and not directly related to research during doctoral studies.

Suggested minimal publication achievements:

Successful candidates should have (co-)authored 8-10 articles with first or senior and/or corresponding authorship, where the number of senior and/or corresponding authorships should not be more than 2. The articles should be published in English in very good scientific journals in the aspired field of the habilitation. Journals must have an international editorial board, peer review and be indexed in Web of Science and/or Scopus.

A significant part of the writings should originate from a coherent research program. The research questions pursued should be meaningfully related to each other. In addition, individual papers may be assignable to other research areas, so that the habilitation candidate can also demonstrate a certain breadth of qualification.

Third-party funding:

The acquisition of competitive third-party funding is expected and the habilitation documents should show that applications for grants at national (e.g. FWF) and international (e.g. EU) funding organizations have been submitted repeatedly, regardless of whether they have been successful or not.

International conference participation:

It is required that habilitation candidates have regularly, on average once a year, contributed to international scientific congresses and/or conferences through presenting their own scientific research results, ideally through oral presentations. In particular, a candidate should demonstrate that invited lectures have been given.

Teaching

The habilitation candidate should be able to attest that in 6 different semesters he/she has successfully taught courses related to the degree programmes in sports science for at least a total of 12 semester hours per week. The teaching experience of the candidate should contain at least one independently conceptualized lecture course. In addition, the supervision or co-supervision of final theses (master's/diploma thesis or dissertation) should be proven.

Candidates are strongly advised to provide officially documented evaluation of their teaching by participating students (“Lehrveranstaltungsevaluation”) as well as certificates for successfully participating in workshops/trainings/etc. for (also digital) teaching and examination competence.