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Certificate of Accreditation

Upon application by

DUNSTER BUSINESS SCHOOL

Zug, Switzerland

the Accreditation Commission of the European Association for Higher Education Advancement (EAHEA) accredited the following Doctorate Program, and the curriculum and credits specified in Annex 1 and Annex 2:

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Accreditation Valid Until : **26 August 2026**

Certificate Serial Number : **25PA0327319**

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Signatory
General Secretary, EAHEA

Annex 1: Program Curriculum

Unit Title	Type	Semester	Credits
Research Methodology and Methods	Core	1	10
Research Issues within Contemporary Management	Core	1	10
Interim Research Project (Pilot Study)	Core	2	20
Designing a Research Project (Thesis Proposal)	Core	2	10
Developing as a Researcher (Individual Reflection)	Core	2	10
Practice Based Thesis	Core	3-8	120

Credits Table:

	LOCAL	ECTS	CATS	USC
Total Credits	180	180	360	90

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Doctorate Program consists of 5 core units and 1 thesis (1152 notional study hours), all of which are compulsory, as above.

Qualification Awarded:

This online/distance program is subject to the 180 ECTS, 360 CATS, and 90 USC credits doctoral degree system in the field of Business Administration in higher education. Upon successful completion of the qualification requirements of this program, students are awarded a Doctorate Degree Certificate by Dunster Business School, Switzerland.



Annex 2: Credits Calculation Reference

In Dunster Business School, study workload is evaluated in Astronomical Hours for online/distance courses and Academic Hours for classroom courses. One Astronomical Hour is equal to 60 minutes, and One Academic Hour is equal to 45 minutes.

In Dunster Business School, the total scope of a Doctorate degree is 180 local credits. One local credit requires 25 hours of work. The length of the Doctoral program is 3-4 years and a total of 8 semesters. The minimum requirement per semester is 20 credits.

The Dunster Business School study workload is compatible with the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS), United Kingdom Credit Accumulation Transfer System (CATS), and United States Credit Transfer System (USC).

1 ECTS credit = 25 hours (1,500 minutes)

1 CATS credit = 12.5 hours (750 minutes)

1 USC credit = 50 hours (3,000 minutes)

Important Notice:

Institutions to transfer credits can use the Credits Calculation Table above or use this Reference for conversion to their local credit system.

