

**This is the unofficial translation of the Turkish guideline**

**The decision of the University Senate dated 07.02.2025 and numbered 2025/02 regarding  
doctoral dissertations written in the form of three articles.**

The practice of accepting thesis prepared in the form of at least three articles as doctoral theses will be carried out at the discretion of the Department Chairs. In a thesis prepared in this manner, at least one article must be published in a journal indexed in SSCI, SCIE, AHCI, SCOPUS (Q1-Q2-Q3) indices, and the other two articles must have reached at least the peer review stage. It was decided by unanimous vote of the meeting participants that this thesis must be written by the Guidelines for Writing a Doctoral Thesis in the Form of Three Articles.

**WRITING GUIDE FOR DOCTORAL THESIS WRITTEN IN THE FORM OF THREE  
ARTICLES**

In Ibn Haldun University PhD programs, a thesis consisting of three articles can be written with the thesis advisor's approval. If the student wishes to write their thesis in three articles, they should do so according to the following conditions.

1. The thesis must be in the form of three separate, publishable articles that are logically connected. At least one of these articles must have been published in a journal included in SSCI, SCI-E, AHCI, SCOPUS (Q1- Q2- Q3) indexes before the defense, and the other two articles must have reached at least the peer review stage. The thesis must also meet the publication requirement of Ibn Haldun University Graduate Regulations.
2. The thesis should include an introduction, three papers, and a summary chapter (Conclusion) discussing the significance and contribution of the findings.
  - Introduction: The introduction is separate from the three papers. It sets out the background and significance of the problem. Three articles and the related conceptual and theoretical framework in detail.
  - Articles: It should be in the form of three separate, publishable articles. Each article should have a separate literature review, methodology, and conclusion sections. The concluding sections of the articles should discuss the direct implications and interpretations of the chapter's findings and guide future studies.
  - Conclusion: The conclusion of the thesis should summarize and discuss the findings and implications of the three papers in an integrated manner.
3. The references used in the thesis will be included at the end of the conclusion.
4. Appendices, if any, should be included after the references.
5. The thesis to be written in this format must be approved by the student's thesis committee.
6. The minimum number of articles to be included in the thesis is three. If deemed appropriate by the jury members, more than three articles may be included in the thesis.
7. The journal in which the article or articles published before the thesis defense are published must be indicated in a footnote marked in the title of the relevant article.

The proposed content of the thesis is as follows:

1. Introduction

In the Introduction section of the thesis, why this research was conducted, the relationship between the three articles, and the aims and hypotheses of the articles should be written. This section should also provide a general summary of what will be done in the other thesis chapters.

2. Part 1/Article 1

Introduction, Literature Review, Methods, Results, Conclusions

3. Chapter 2/Article 2

Introduction, Literature Review, Methods, Results, Conclusions

4. Chapter 3/Article 3

Introduction, Literature Review, Methods, Results, Conclusions

5. Section Result

This chapter presents the overall results of the thesis as a whole. The findings' theoretical, policy, or practical implications are described, and implications for future research are explained.

6. Reference List

All reference sources in the thesis should be included in this section.

7. Appendices

All appendices related to the thesis, if any, should be placed in this section.