Content of the training component

- A doctoral degree is 180 credits, and the training component of the PhD in sociology at FSV consists of 30 credits.
- The training component must contain at least 7.5 credits of theory of science and ethics.
- The training component must contain at least 7.5 credits of methods.
- PhD courses can be taken at Nord University, other Norwegian universities, or international educational institutions.
Application for approval of training component

- Written applications must contain an overview of completed PhD courses. Applications must be dated and signed. Must include a list of successfully completed courses.

- Each course must be documented with a copy of the course certificate, or a transcript of the course with a course description that shows the scope, level, and when the course was completed. If this is not available, written confirmation of corresponding documentation shall be obtained from the relevant educational institution.

- If the PhD student has taken more courses than required for the training component, the student must submit a prioritized list to DU in the event that the DU does not approve the highest prioritized courses. The diploma will list only those courses which contribute to the required 30 credits.

- Exams or papers submitted as part of a PhD course must be sent to the PhD-coordinator for archiving in the student file.
Application processing

- Applications for approval of the training component must be delivered to the PhD-coordinator.

- Applications will be processes/evaluated at the earliest possible DU meeting after submission.

- Decisions by the DU will be communicated to the PhD student via the PhD-coordinator.

- Documentation of the DU decision must be enclosed with any application for assessment of the thesis.