RAMON LLULL UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS ON DOCTORAL THESES IN THE FORM OF A COMPENDIUM OF PUBLICATIONS

(Adapted to the Royal Decree RD 1393/2007, 29th October)
(Approved by the Doctoral Committee on 18th September 2008)

1. A doctoral thesis in the form of a compendium of publications will be made up of a minimum of 3 articles on a single line of research.

2. Articles will only be accepted from publications that have a “peer review” evaluation system and/or which are indexed in international scientific databases. (ESADE Requirement: At least, one of the articles should be indexed in the ISI Journal Citation Reports).

3. Published articles, or articles which have been accepted for publication, will only be accepted for those articles written subsequent to the date of registration of the PhD student in the Doctoral or official Master programmes.

4. Co-authors of the published articles will provide their written consent regarding the use of the article as part of the doctoral student’s thesis.

5. Co-authors of the published articles will be excluded from forming part of the thesis board of examiners.

6. Co-authors of the articles published and used in a thesis who do not hold a doctoral degree are required to renounce in writing their right to use the article in another thesis. In the event that the published articles have been sourced from more than one research team, the Doctoral Committee will have the right to consider justified exceptions regarding the application of these regulations.

7. The thesis will have a general introduction which should present the published works, justification of the thematic unit, a copy of each published work, an overall summary of the results, their discussion and the final conclusions.

8. For all the mentioned above, at the beginning of the process of a thesis in the form of a compendium of publications, the student will ask for acceptance before the Doctoral Committee of the institution by presenting a formal request in writing and a report from the thesis director explaining specific contribution of the author to the dissertation presented as well as of the rest of the authors, if relevant.