The Doctoral School of Literature, Human and Social Sciences (LSHS, ED 370) is one of five Université Clermont Auvergne doctoral schools encompassed by the Doctoral College (CED). It coordinates the training and research programs of more than 220 PhD students over a very wide range of disciplines. It ensures the creation of synergies between its affiliated research centers and it supports the interdisciplinary dynamics fostered by the Maison des Sciences de l’Homme. In addition, it works closely with the four Training and Research Units (UFRs) of the College «Literature, Human, and Social Sciences” of UCA, the Institut National Supérieur du Professeurat et de l’Education (INSPÉ Clermont-Auvergne), but also the École Nationale Supérieure d’Architecture de Clermont-Ferrand (ENSACF), the École Supérieure d’Art de Clermont Métropole (ESACM) and VetAgro Sup.

The Doctoral School has four main missions:

- It guides PhD students by helping them with their project and supporting initiatives that contribute to the development of their scientific culture.
- It strengthens PhD students’ training by offering personalized training programs (languages and interdisciplinary modules).
- It helps PhD students in their discovery of the paths to professional integration.
- Finally, it contributes to PhD students’ openness to the world by setting up dual-degree thesis programs, participating in international events or joining European networks or seminars.

### Some figures on the LSHS Doctoral School

- **220** PhD students
- **94%** (class of 2014)
- **20 to 40** Thesis defense
- **20 to 30** Dual-degree thesis programs

### ED LSHS PhD Specializations

- PhD in Language Sciences: General Linguistics and Phonetics
- PhD in Classical Languages and Literature
- PhD in French Language and Literature
- PhD in Comparative Literature
- PhD in English Languages and Literature
- PhD in Germanic and Scandinavian Languages and Literature
- PhD in Slavic Languages and Literature
- Romance Languages and Literature: Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, other languages
- PhD in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese and Hebrew Languages and Literature
- PhD in Regional Cultures and Languages
- PhD in Philosophy
- PhD in Epistemology, History of Science and Technology
- PhD in Ethics and Deontology
- PhD in Arts: Fine Arts, Entertainment, Music, Aesthetics, Science and Art History
- PhD in Psychology, Clinical Psychology, Social Psychology
- PhD in Information Science and communication
- PhD in Education Sciences
- PhD in Physical Education and Sport Sciences
- PhD in Prehistory
- PhD in History and Civilizations: History and Archeology of Ancient and Medieval Worlds and of Art
- PhD in History and Civilizations: History of Modern Worlds, History of the Contemporary World and of Art
- PhD in Physical, Human, Economic and Regional Geography
- PhD in Spatial Planning and Urbanism
- PhD in Anthropology and Ethnology
- PhD in Sociology
To apply for admission to a UCA Doctoral School, you must:

- Hold a Master’s degree or any other degree awarding the title of Master.
- Have defined a thesis subject beforehand with the agreement of a thesis supervisor affiliated with one of UCA’s research laboratories.
- Have obtained funding.

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