

Spezifische Richtlinien für Volkswirtschaftslehre

§1. Purpose

These guidelines have the purpose of substantiating the requirements for obtaining a habilitation in Economics or to obtain tenure for candidates on a tenure track position. The guidelines apply to both internal and external candidates. The guidelines replace all earlier versions.

§2. Basis of the assessment

The basis for the assessment of the academic qualification are publications in peer-reviewed journals. Papers which have been accepted for publication count as published. Publications which originated in the framework of the doctoral thesis are not excluded from the assessment. "Notes" and "Comments" count in the following only as half a publication in each case.

§3. Categorization of the publication method

Journals are divided into categories A, B, C, and D. Categories A and B are defined by exhaustive listing. The journals listed below in categories C and D are examples and the categories also include journals in the Handelsblatt list from particular categories (see below for details).

Category A contains the usual "top five" journals American Economic Review (without Papers and Proceedings), Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics and Review of Economic Studies.

Category B contains leading field journals and excellent general interest journals.

Category C contains (about 50) very good journals rated with a factor of 0.3 in HB 2010. In case of differences (e.g. our list mentions a journal as C but HB 2010 does not) our list has priority.

Category D contains (about 150) good journals rated with a factor below 0.3 but above 0.1 in HB 2010.

§4. Necessary and sufficient conditions

The publications are evaluated using the following point system. A publication yields $2q/(n+1)$ points, where n is the number of authors of the publication and q is the weight of the category of journal. Category A has a weight of 4 points, category B of 2 points, category C of 1 point and category D of 0.5 points.

Necessary condition for habilitation: a total of 5 points, of which at least 3 points from categories A and B.

Sufficient condition for habilitation: a total of 6 points, of which at least 4 points from the categories A and B.

Necessary condition for Tenure (applies to candidates on Tenure track positions): a total of 6 points, of which at least 4 points from the categories A and B.

Candidates who do not meet the necessary condition for habilitation are strongly advised against submitting their application.

Candidates who meet the sufficient condition are deemed qualified in the eyes of the Department for habilitation and (for those on tenure track positions) for tenure.

Appendix

Category A (exhaustive)

- American Economic Review
- Econometrica
- Journal of Political Economy
- Quarterly Journal of Economics
- Review of Economic Studies

Category B (exhaustive for journals in Economics)

- American Economic Journal: Applied Economics
- American Economic Journal: Economic Policy
- American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics
- American Economic Journal: Microeconomics
- Econometric Theory
- Economic Journal
- European Economic Review
- Games and Economic Behavior

- International Economic Review
- Journal of Accounting and Economics
- Journal of Development Economics
- Journal of Econometrics
- Journal of Economic Theory
- Journal of Finance
- Journal of Financial Economics
- Journal of Health Economics
- Journal of International Economics
- Journal of Labor Economics
- Journal of Monetary Economics
- Journal of Public Economics
- Journal of the American Statistical Association
- Journal of the European Economic Association
- Journal of the Royal Statistical Society. Series B Statistical Methodology
- Management Science
- Marketing Science
- RAND Journal of Economics
- Review of Economic Dynamics
- Review of Economics and Statistics
- Review of Financial Studies

Category C (illustrative examples, includes journals with 0.3 in HB 2010)

- Economica
- Economic Theory
- Experimental Economics
- Health Economics
- International Journal of Industrial Organization
- Journal of Applied Econometrics
- Journal of Banking and Finance
- Journal of Business and Economic Statistics
- Journal of Conflict Resolution
- Journal of Consumer Research
- Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization
- Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control
- Journal of Economic Growth
- Journal of Environmental Economics and Management
- Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis
- Journal of Human Resources
- Journal of Industrial Economics
- Journal of International Money and Finance
- Journal of Law and Economics
- Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization
- Journal of Money, Credit and Banking
- Journal of Risk and Uncertainty
- Journal of Urban Economics
- Theoretical Economics
- World Development

Category D (illustrative examples, includes journals with less than 0.3 and more than 0.1 in HB 2010)

- Ecological Economics
- Economic Inquiry
- Economics Letters
- Economics of Governance
- European Journal of Political Economy
- German Economic Review
- International Journal of Game Theory

- Journal of Economic Psychology
- Journal of Economics and Management Strategy
- Journal of Mathematical Economics
- Journal of Population Economics
- Journal of Public Economic Theory
- Public Choice
- Review of Industrial Organization
- Scandinavian Journal of Economics
- Social Choice and Welfare