**Methods of scientific work and theory**

**Topics for the state doctoral examination**

1. Knowledge of basic political theories and approaches (behavioralism, rational choice theory, institutional theory, constructivism and interpretive theory, feminism, Marxism, normative theory)
2. Theory of democracy and democratization
3. Theoretical concepts of International Relations in relation to the Latin American / African territory
4. Integration theories and concepts – old and new regionalism
5. Transregionalism, bi-regionalism, interregionalism
6. Research design principles and procedures
7. Case selection strategies in qualitative and quantitative research
8. Qualitative research methods, types of comparative methods and single-case studies
9. Problems and strategies of causal reasoning
10. Descriptive statistics and statistical testing of hypotheses
11. Measures of association and regression analysis

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