

## **Scholarships for foreigners**

### **General rules**

1. All foreigners who start and pursue studies in Poland from 1st October 2019 are entitled to apply for material aid benefits:
  - scholarship for the disabled
  - rector's scholarship
  - benefit.
2. Documents required in the regulation must be translated into Polish by a sworn translator.
3. The following rules must be observed while granting financial aid to students and doctoral students:
  - equality of access to financial aid benefits
  - transparency of actions and adequate protection of personal data.
4. Financial aid cannot be granted to a student who is:
  - 1) MSc, MSc Engineer or equal;
  - 2) BSc, engineer or equal if first cycle studies are undertaken once again.
5. Financial aid does not apply to students who are suspended.

### **Scholarship for the disabled**

1. A student with a disability certificate, a certificate of a degree of a disability or a certificate referred to the article 5 and 62 of the Act of 27th August 1997 on a professional and social rehabilitation and employment for the disabled (Law Journal of 2021 item 573 with further amendments) may obtain a scholarship for the disabled.
2. A student applying for a disability certificate during an academic year should apply for the scholarship for the disabled together with the copy of the application for disability certificate or a call for appearance in front of the appropriate committee in charge of verifying the disability degree. The application will be examined after submitting the certificate and the payment of a scholarship will include the following month from the date of applying.
3. If the disability certificate is issued for a specified time, the scholarship is granted until the end of the month in which the certificate expires. In case of submitting the continued disability certificate within three months from the date of expiry of the previous one, the payment will be continued from the month following the discontinuation of payment. Exceeding the three months will result in resuming the payment in the month of submitting the certificate.
4. The scholarship for the disabled is granted in 3 categories, depending on the degree of a disability. Students with a severe degree of disability receive a category I scholarship; students with a moderate degree of disability receive a category II scholarship; and students with a slight degree of disability receive a category III scholarship.
5. The application for the scholarship for the disabled is submitted via USOSweb (Common section → Applications).

### **Benefit**

1. The benefit can be granted to a student in a short-term difficult living situation. A difficult living situation is understood as the one with a negative influence on the material situation of the student.

2. The benefit application should be submitted immediately, but no later than 3 months from the date of the event entitling to granting the benefit.
3. A student can obtain the benefit from the first year of studies, not more often than twice an academic year.
4. A student cannot obtain the benefit twice concerning the same event.
5. The events justifying the application for obtaining the benefit are in particular:
  - 1) severe disease of a student or a family member;
  - 2) death of the closest family member;
  - 3) another event causing a student's temporary difficult living situation.
6. The application should be submitted with the appropriate documentation, mainly: death certificate, hospital information card, medical certificate of a disease or unfortunate accident, named invoices confirming the costs related to the accident, certificates confirming the accident issued by authorised institutions.
7. The benefit amount is calculated individually in all cases based on the documented costs incurred by the student.
8. The application for the benefit is submitted via USOSweb (Common section → Applications).

### **Rector's scholarship**

1. The rector's scholarship can be granted to a student with outstanding learning results, academic or artistic achievements or sports achievement on at least a national level.
2. Points for the rector's scholarship in the section for an academic performance can be granted to a student who meets the following conditions:
  - 1) met the full registration requirements specified in §22 of the Regulation of Studies at WUT;
  - 2) completed all the courses from the beginning of studies, necessary for the full registration on the next stage of studies by §22 of the Regulation of Studies at WUT;
  - 3) no later than by the end of the examination session acquired a number of ECTS according to the studies' plan in the previous year;
  - 4) achieved in the previous year of studies (in two previous semesters) the average grade not lower than 4.00, calculated up to two decimal places, being a weighted average of all total marks from all courses with weights proportional to the number of ECTS assigned. The average note does not include marks from courses repeated in the previous year of studies. In the case of students starting education on master's degree studies, the weighted average is calculated based on marks scored within the last two semesters of bachelor's degree studies, excluding the mark from the diploma thesis and the diploma exam.

Failing the above requirements results in 0 points for the rector's scholarship for academic achievements.

3. Points for the rector's scholarship in the section for academic, sport, or artistic achievements can be acquired by a student who:

- gained academic, artistic achievements or succeeded in sports competition on an international or national level in a previous academic year;

- acquired registration for the first year of studies specified in §22 of the Regulation of Studies at WUT;

- acquired registration to the next year or semester of studies specified in §22 of the Regulation of Studies at WUT.

4. The rector's scholarship is not available to a student whose date of submitting the diploma thesis has been extended based on § 30 paragraph 2 of the Regulation of Studies at WUT.

5. The rector's scholarship is granted based on competition.

6. Scholarships are granted based on a student's documented application submitted within two weeks from the beginning of the academic year. Failing to apply within the deadline results in an inability to participate in the competition.

7. If submitting an incomplete application, a student is summoned and obliged to submit the missing documents within the deadlines. Failing to rectify deficiencies will result in leaving the application without examination.

8. Ranking lists are made separately at each field and degree of study.

9. The ranking list contains the total number of points achieved for academic, artistic or sports achievement. A student can score from 0 to 10 points for each.

10. The rector's scholarship is granted to the number not higher than 8% of all students of each field of studies in the faculty.

11. The rector's scholarship can be granted five months (1 semester) or ten months (academic year).

12. Within three weeks from the beginning of the academic year, the lists of students applying for the rector's scholarship are announced. The lists contain student ID numbers, average grades and points scored for academic, sports, or artistic achievements.

13. Within one week from the beginning of the academic year, the dean announces the criteria for making ranking lists. Immediately after this deadline, the dean announces the ranking lists containing student ID numbers and the total number of points scored from the highest to the lowest.

14. The application for the rector's scholarship is submitted to the Dean's office on an appropriate form.

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