

UR an international PhD student

Regulations of the scholarship programme for the best doctoral students studying at the Doctoral School at the University of Rzeszów, pursuing doctoral projects in international cooperation within the framework of the "UR an international PhD student" Project (Decision of the Director of NAWA No. BPI/STE/2023/1/00001/DEC/01 of 19.10.2023) in accordance with the assumptions of the NAWA STER Programme - Internationalisation of Doctoral Schools

§ 1

[Explanations of abbreviations]

Terms used in the Regulations shall mean:

- 1) Beneficiary, UR - University of Rzeszów in Rzeszów;
- 2) Programme - STER NAWA programme - internationalisation of doctoral schools;
- 3) Project - 'UR an international PhD student' project (NAWA Director's decision no. BPI/STE/2023/1/00001/DEC/01 of 19.10.2023);
- 4) NAWA - National Agency for Academic Exchange;
- 5) UR Doctoral School - Doctoral School at the University of Rzeszow;
- 6) Candidate - an applicant for admission to the UR Doctoral School;
- 7) Doctoral student - a person admitted to and studying at the UR Doctoral School;
- 8) Project Participant - a PhD student of the UR Doctoral School pursuing a doctoral project in international collaboration as part of an international doctoral programme;
- 9) Regulations - Regulations of the scholarship programme for the best doctoral students studying at the Doctoral School at the University of Rzeszów, pursuing doctoral projects in international cooperation within the framework of the "UR an international PhD student" Project (Decision of the Director of NAWA No. BPI/STE/2023/1/00001/DEC/01 of 19.10.2023) in accordance with the assumptions of the NAWA STER Programme - Internationalisation of Doctoral Schools;
- 10) Scholarship - doctoral scholarship for the best foreign doctoral students and the best Polish doctoral students studying at the Doctoral School at the University of Rzeszów, pursuing doctoral projects in international cooperation as part of an international doctoral programme, in particular aiming to obtain a joint degree or double degree, as part of the Project "UR an international PhD student" (Decision of the Director of NAWA No. BPI/STE/2023/1/00001/DEC/01 of 19.10.2023) in accordance with the assumptions of the NAWA STER Programme - Internationalisation of Doctoral Schools.

§ 2

[General provisions]

1. The Regulations specify the conditions and procedure for the payment of NAWA scholarships for the best foreign doctoral students and the best Polish doctoral students pursuing doctoral projects in international cooperation within an international doctoral programme, in particular aiming at a joint degree or double degree, under the project "UR an international PhD student".
2. The regulations are based on the Project Funding Agreement No. BPI/STE/2023/1/00001/U/00001 concluded between the University of Rzeszów and the National Agency for Academic Exchange.
3. The scholarships are funded by NAWA as part of the NAWA STER Programme - Internationalisation of Doctoral Schools.

4. Scholarships from the Programme funds can be paid to PhD students starting their training at the UR Doctoral School from 1 October 2024 and are paid for a maximum period of 27 months, i.e. until 31 December 2026.
5. The University of Rzeszów plans to award a maximum of 1 scholarship financed by the Programme sources for the best foreign doctoral student or the best doctoral student from Poland studying at the UR Doctoral School during the Project implementation period.
6. The amount of the scholarship financed by the Programme is PLN 5,000 gross/gross per month. The amount of the scholarship will be reduced by derivatives of costs related to the payment of the scholarship by the Beneficiary, including social insurance contributions on the part of the Beneficiary, in accordance with generally applicable regulations.
7. A form of cooperation with a foreign University or Doctoral School shall be considered to be cooperation that is not incidental and continuous in nature and aimed at the realization of the specified educational program and individual research plan.
8. The realization of the specified educational program and individual research plan referred to in paragraph 7 above shall consist of:
 - a. realization of classes in the monodisciplinary module of the UR Doctoral School at a foreign University or doctoral school based on a contract or other document containing information on the scope and duration of cooperation, or
 - b. pursuing coursework under an agreement aimed at obtaining a joint degree or double degree.

§ 3

[Method of qualifying candidates for payment of scholarship]

1. The stipend may only be paid to a doctoral student from abroad or a doctoral student from Poland recruited to the UR Doctoral School, pursuing a doctoral project in international cooperation as part of an international doctoral programme, in particular aiming to obtain a joint degree or double degree.
2. The scholarship is awarded to the Candidate who received the highest number of points as a result of the recruitment procedure carried out by the Recruitment Committee appropriate for the discipline on the basis of the adopted recruitment criteria in accordance with the applicable recruitment resolution and the regulations of the UR Doctoral School within all disciplines that recruited to the UR Doctoral School, will submit the signed attachments required by NAWA, listed in §6 of these Regulations, and will submit a declaration that he/she will prepare a doctoral project in international cooperation within the framework of an international doctoral programme, in particular aiming at a joint degree or double degree, with the acceptance of a potential supervisor from UR and from a foreign unit to take over the candidate's scientific supervision.
3. In the case of receiving the same number of points during the recruitment process by several candidates within different disciplines, the scholarship is awarded to the Candidate who received the higher number of points obtained in the recruitment process to the UR Doctoral School for the candidate's scientific or artistic achievements. Priority in the recruitment process is given to candidates who declare to prepare a doctoral project aiming at a joint degree or double degree.
4. The final decision on paragraphs 2 and 3 above is taken by the Rector of UR in consultation with the Director of the UR Doctoral School based on the documents of the recruitment proceedings of the Recruitment Committees in the disciplines.

§ 4

[Scholarship payment]

1. Payment of the stipend will be made on a monthly basis in accordance with the applicable order of the Rector of UR for the academic year.
2. Payment of the scholarship will be made by the last day of the calendar month, to the Doctoral Student's bank account, subject to paragraph 1.
3. A doctoral student shall be obliged to submit the document referred to in § 2, paragraph 8, point a or b within 3 months from the commencement of training at the UR Doctoral School.

§ 5

[Rules for withholding scholarships]

The factor causing the withholding of the scholarship is:

- a. resignation of the doctoral student from the UR Doctoral School, or
- b. the removal of the doctoral student from the list of doctoral students, or
- c. failure to submit the agreement referred to in § 4.3.

§ 6

[Information on the processing of personal data]

1. The processing of personal data of Project Participants and Project Candidates is carried out on the basis of generally applicable legal provisions, including Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) and on the basis of the rules for the implementation of projects within the framework of NAWA programmes defined by NAWA, which the Project Participant and Project Candidate can read on the website:
<https://nawa.gov.pl/instytucje/ster-umiedzynarodowienie-szkol-doktorskich/dokumenty-do-pobrania>.
2. Project Participants and Project Candidates are required to submit signed programme document attachments as required by NAWA:
 - a. Annex No. 1 - Declaration of the Project Participant concerning personal data RODO,
 - b. Annex No. 2 - additional consent of the Project Participant for processing of personal data.
3. Project participants are required to submit signed programme document attachments as required by NAWA:
 - a. Annex No. 3 - contract between the Beneficiary and the Project Participant.

§ 7

[Final provisions].

1. These Regulations shall enter into force on 01 January 2024.
2. The Beneficiary may make amendments to these Regulations in case of necessity resulting from changes in the Programme guidelines, changes in the Law on Higher Education and Science and

other generally applicable regulations affecting the implementation of the Programme. The Project Participant will be informed by e-mail about the amendment of the Rules and Regulations prior to their effective date, unless it is not possible due to the timing of the amended Programme guidelines.

3. In matters of dispute and not regulated by these Regulations, the UR Rector decides.

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Annexes to the Regulations:

- 1) Declaration of the Project Participant regarding personal data RODO,
- 2) Additional consent from the Project Participant for the processing of personal data,
- 3) Agreement between the Beneficiary and the Project Participant.

