

## **Regulations on granting an increase in doctoral scholarships in connection with the participation of Wrocław University of Science and Technology in the Unite! alliance**

### **§ 1**

1. Due to the participation of Wrocław University of Science and Technology in the Unite! alliance, doctoral students of the Wrocław University of Science and Technology Doctoral School may apply for an increase in their doctoral scholarship.
2. The purpose of granting an increase in the doctoral scholarship for doctoral students of the Doctoral School of Wrocław University of Science and Technology is to support cooperation between universities participating in the Unite! alliance in the implementation of doctoral dissertations. The increase in the doctoral scholarship is to enable doctoral students to carry out one or two research visits to a university from the Unite! alliance, not exceeding 12 months in total. The research visits carried out are to be directly related to the subject of the doctoral dissertation.
3. The competition for an increase in the doctoral scholarship will be carried out in two editions: in the academic year 2024/2025 and in the academic year 2025/2026.

### **§ 2**

1. A doctoral student of the Doctoral School of Wrocław University of Science and Technology in the first year of education may apply for an increase in the doctoral scholarship, based on an application submitted to the Dean of the Doctoral School, prepared according to the form set out in Attachment No. 1.
2. The best doctoral students who plan to complete their doctoral dissertation are entitled to receive an increase in their doctoral scholarship:
  - 1) in cooperation with one of the universities participating in the Unite! alliance;
  - 2) appointing a second supervisor from among the employees of the universities from the Unite! alliance;
  - 3) in a topic related to one of the three research areas: energy, artificial intelligence and industry 4.0.
3. The application for an increase in the doctoral scholarship must be submitted by the deadline set by the Dean of the Doctoral School. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

### **§ 3**

1. For each of the research areas referred to in § 2 section 2 item 3, the Rector, at the request of the Dean of the Doctoral School, appoints separate committees, hereinafter referred to as "committees".
2. Applications are considered by the committee responsible for each of the research areas specified in § 2 section 2 item 3.

3. Within four weeks of the deadline for submitting applications referred to in § 2 section 3, the committee will assess the submitted applications, including conducting interviews with the applicants, and prepare a ranking list.
4. The submitted applications are assessed according to the criteria given in Attachment 2. For each criterion, the committee awards points on a scale of 0 to 10. The final result is a weighted sum taking into account the weights assigned to the individual criteria.
5. Information about the committee's decisions is communicated to doctoral students who have submitted applications to receive an increase in their doctoral scholarship.

#### § 4

1. An increase in the doctoral scholarship is granted to a doctoral student who is ranked first on the ranking list established for a given research area referred to in § 2 section 2 item 3.
2. The increase in the doctoral scholarship amounts to 40% of the minimum basic monthly salary for a professor at a public university.
3. A doctoral student may receive the increased doctoral scholarship referred to in § 2 for a maximum period of 12 months.
4. The doctoral scholarship increase is only available in the months in which the doctoral student carries out a research visit to a university from the Unite! alliance indicated in the application and spends at least 16 days there in a given month.

#### § 5

1. A doctoral student may complete one or two research visits. The total length of both visits may not exceed 12 months.
2. At least 30 days before the planned research visit to the university indicated in the application, the doctoral student should submit to the Dean of the Doctoral School a detailed plan of the research visit, in accordance with the template specified by the Dean of the Doctoral School, confirmed by the supervisor from the Wrocław University of Science and Technology and the supervisor from the university from the Unite! alliance. The submitted plan should include detailed information on the date of the planned stay.
3. On the basis of the application referred to in § 2, the Dean of the Doctoral School shall decide to increase the doctoral scholarship by the amount specified in § 4 section 2.
4. The increase in the doctoral scholarship will be paid on the date of payment of the doctoral scholarship.
5. During the research trip at a university belonging to the Unite! alliance, the doctoral student is obliged to deliver a seminar related to the topic of their doctoral dissertation.
6. Within 30 days of returning from the research trip, the doctoral student is required to deliver a seminar presenting the results of the trip. Information about the date of the seminar is to be forwarded to the Dean of the Doctoral School via the Doctoral School Office.

7. Within 30 days of returning from a foreign research trip, the doctoral student is obliged to submit to the Dean of the Doctoral School, through the Doctoral School Office, a report summarizing the research trip in accordance with the template specified by the Dean of the Doctoral School.

§ 6

In matters not covered by these Regulations, decisions are made by the Rector.