



Legal Monitor of the Silesian University of Technology

item 1414

ORDINANCE NO 225/2024 OF THE RECTOR OF THE SILESIAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY of 25 November 2024

on the benefits for the best doctoral students within the Excellence Initiative – Research University programme

Pursuant to Article 23 section (1) of the Act of 20 July 2018. - Law on Higher Education and Science (consolidated text, Journal of Laws of 2024, item 1571), in connection with the participation of the Silesian University of Technology in the Excellence Initiative – Research University programme (contract no. 08/IDUB/2019/94 of 16 December 2019), it is ordered as follows:

§ 1

1. The Rector may grant benefits within the available funds in the Excellence Initiative - Research University programme to support the best doctoral students of the Silesian University of Technology studying at the Joint Doctoral School.
2. Applications for granting the benefit referred to in section (1) shall be submitted to the Office of the Doctoral School by 30 November. The template application for doctoral students studying in the 2nd, 3rd or 4th year constitutes Attachment no. 1 to the present Ordinance, while the template application for doctoral students studying in the 1st year constitutes Attachment no. 2. In the case of applying for a mobility package, the application should be accompanied by documents confirming the possibility of completing a foreign internship or participation in an international conference, along with a cost calculation.
3. Applications are evaluated and a ranking list is prepared by a commission appointed by the Rector and consisting of 5 to 7 persons holding the title of professor or habilitated doctor and a representative of the Doctoral Student Self-Government appointed by its chairperson. The commission is chaired by the Director of the School of Doctoral Studies.
4. The commission shall prepare a report in accordance with the template constituting Attachment no. 3 (for doctoral students studying in the 2nd, 3rd or 4th year) or Attachment no. 4 (for doctoral students studying in the 1st year) to the present Ordinance.
5. The Rector shall take a decision on granting benefits no later than by 31 December, taking into account the opinion of the commission. The Doctoral School shall notify the applicant of the Rector's decision.
6. The benefits shall be granted for a given academic year.
7. The benefits include:
 - 1) an increase in a doctoral student's scholarship received pursuant to Article 209 sections (1) and (4) of the Act of 20 July 2018. - Law on Higher Education and Science (consolidated text, Journal of Laws of 2024, item 1571);
 - 2) a mobility package of up to PLN 8,000 gross per year for participation in at least two-week foreign internships or participation in international conferences.
8. The benefit referred to in section (7), item (1) shall be paid by the 15th day of each month.
9. The maximum amount of the benefit referred to in section (7), item (1) shall be:

- 1) PLN 2000 gross - in the case of doctoral students before the mid-term assessment;
 - 2) PLN 3000 gross - in the case of doctoral students after the mid-term assessment.
10. The benefit referred to in section (7), item (1) may be received in an academic year by no more than:
- 1) 10 persons – a benefit in the maximum amount referred to in section (9);
 - 2) 10 persons - a benefit of 75% of the maximum amount referred to in section (9);
 - 3) 30 persons - a benefit of 50% of the maximum amount referred to in section (9).
11. The mobility package referred to in section (7), item (2) may be granted to no more than 30 doctoral students in total in an academic year.
12. The funds within the mobility package referred to in section (7), item (2) shall be made available in the month following the month in which the benefit is awarded. Funds not used in a given academic year shall be transferred at a rate of no more than 25% of the allocated amount to the following academic year.
13. Where a doctoral student receives an enhanced scholarship or mobility package under other pro-quality programmes at the University, including the POWER programme, the enhanced scholarship and mobility package shall be paid up to the amount specified in section (9) and section (7), item (2) respectively.

§ 2

1. When assessing the applications of doctoral students studying in the 2nd, 3rd or 4th year, the commission takes into account their achievements in the previous academic year according to the following criteria, awarding from 0 to 10 points each:
 - 1) authorship or co-authorship of a scientific publication affiliated to the Silesian University of Technology, published in a scientific journal or in peer-reviewed materials from an international conference, or in the form of a scientific monograph, which were awarded at least 80 points according to the list of scientific journals and peer-reviewed materials from international conferences and publishing houses publishing peer-reviewed scientific monographs of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MNiSW) in force as of the date of publication; each publication should be accompanied by a statement from the doctoral student and supervisor on the compliance of the doctoral student's achievements presented therein with the topic of the doctoral dissertation;
 - 2) activity in acquiring funds for research and development, including acquisition of and participation in projects and research work financed from external sources, conducted at the University;
 - 3) authorship or co-authorship of:
 - a) an invention for which a patent has been granted,
 - b) a utility model for which a protection right was granted,
 - c) an industrial design for which the right in registration of an industrial design has been granted,
 - d) a work within the meaning of the Act on Copyright and Related Rights, e.g. a construction, architectural or urban design project;
 - 4) involvement in the development of international cooperation, including participation in international events and scientific conferences as a speaker, scientific publications with a co-author representing a foreign scientific centre and participation in foreign internships;
 - 5) involvement in other activities for the development of science and the University, including the work of student research clubs, implementation of PBL projects, scientific cooperation with secondary schools, promotion of the Silesian University of Technology, activities in priority research areas and in the Doctoral Student Self-Government, distinctions and awards received during studies.
2. When assessing the applications of first-year doctoral students, the commission takes into account their achievements during second-cycle studies, uniform master's studies, or during a first-cycle programme in the case of persons who commenced their studies in a doctoral school directly afterwards, according to the following criteria, granting from 0 to 10 points within each of them:
 - 1) results of scientific and research activities;
 - 2) activity in acquiring funds for research and development, including acquisition of and participation in projects and research work financed from external sources;
 - 3) involvement in the development of international cooperation, including participation in international events and scientific conferences as a speaker, scientific publications with a co-author representing a foreign scientific centre and participation in international mobility;

- 4) involvement in the work of student research clubs, implementation of PBL projects, scientific cooperation with secondary schools, promotion of the University, activity in the Student Self-Government;
- 5) results of recruitment to the Joint Doctoral School.

§ 3

1. The benefits shall be withheld in the event of discontinuance or termination of education, or upon the request of the Director of the Doctoral School justified by the failure of the doctoral student to fulfil their obligations, including failure to obtain credits in time.
2. The benefits may not be granted to doctoral students who have not obtained credits in time or who have been conditionally enrolled in the following year of study.
3. The benefits shall be granted on the basis of a ranking list prepared separately for each year.
4. The number of benefits awarded results from the allocation of funds under the Excellence Initiative - Research University programme, with the rule that the number of benefits for each year is no less than 15% and no more than 30% of the number of total benefits awarded.
5. Participation in this programme does not limit participation in other pro-quality programmes, unless otherwise stipulated in their regulations.

§ 4

Ordinance No. 213/2023 of the Rector of the Silesian University of Technology of 13 November 2023 on benefits for the best doctoral students under the Excellence Initiative - Research University programme (Legal Monitor of the Silesian University of Technology of 2023, item 1359) is repealed.

§ 5

The Ordinance shall enter into force as of the date of signature.

Rector of the SUT: *M. Pawełczyk*

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(name and surname of doctoral student)

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(name of basic unit)

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(name of internal organisational unit)

APPLICATION

for the award of a benefit to support the best doctoral students in their 2nd, 3rd or 4th year under the Excellence Initiative - Research University programme

I am applying for an achievement benefit for the best doctoral students in the academic year

No..	Type of achievement	Detailed description of the type of achievement
1.	Authorship or co-authorship of a scientific publication affiliated to the Silesian University of Technology, published in a scientific journal or in peer-reviewed materials from an international conference, or in the form of a scientific monograph, which were awarded at least 80 points according to the list of scientific journals and peer-reviewed materials from international conferences and publishing houses publishing peer-reviewed scientific monographs of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MNiSW) in force as of the date of publication:	
2.	Activity in acquiring funds for research and development:	
3.	Authorship or co-authorship of an invention, utility model, a work within the meaning of the Act on Copyright and Related Rights:	
4.	Involvement in the development of international cooperation:	
5.	Involvement in other activities for the development of science and the University:	

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(date, signature of the applicant)

Notes:

- 1) The application must be accompanied by documents confirming the academic achievement. Each publication must be accompanied by a statement from the doctoral student and supervisor that the achievements of the doctoral student presented therein are in line with the topic of the doctoral dissertation.
- 2) The application must include a handwritten signature or a qualified electronic signature. A scanned signature is not acceptable;

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(name and surname of doctoral student)

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(name of basic unit)

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(name of internal organisational unit)

APPLICATION
for the award of a benefit to support the best doctoral students in their 1st year
under the Excellence Initiative - Research University programme

I am applying for an achievement benefit for the best doctoral students in the academic year

No.	Type of achievement	Detailed description of the type of achievement
1.	Results of scientific and research activities:	
2.	Activity in acquiring funds for research and development, including acquisition of and participation in projects and research work financed from external sources:	
3.	Involvement in the development of international cooperation, including participation in international events and scientific conferences as a speaker, scientific publications with a co-author representing a foreign scientific centre and participation in international mobility:	
4.	Involvement in the work of student research clubs, implementation of PBL projects, scientific cooperation with secondary schools, promotion of the University, activity in the Student Self-Government:	
5.	Results of recruitment to the Joint Doctoral School:	

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(date, signature of the applicant)

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION
on the benefits to support the best doctoral students in their 2nd, 3rd or 4th year under the
Excellence Initiative - Research University programme

dated

The commission has formally evaluated the application for the award of an achievement benefit for the best doctoral students presented by

the doctoral student:
(name and surname)

and recommends / does not recommend*:

- 1) an increase, by PLN, in a doctoral student's scholarship received pursuant to Article 209 sections (1) and (4) of the Act of 20 July 2018. - Law on Higher Education and Science (consolidated text, Journal of Laws of 2024, item 1571);
- 2) award of a mobility package of up to PLN 8,000 gross per year for participation in at least two-week foreign internships or participation in international conferences.

The decision is based on results obtained.

No..	Type of achievement	Number of points
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2.	Activity in acquiring funds for research and development.	
3.	Authorship or co-authorship of an invention, utility model, a work within the meaning of the Act on Copyright and Related Rights.	
4.	Involvement in the development of international cooperation.	
5.	Involvement in other activities for the development of science and the University.	
Total		

Signatures of the commission members:

Chairperson:
(name and surname) (signature)

Commission members:
(name and surname) (signature)

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(name and surname) (signature)

Representative
of doctoral students:
(name and surname) (signature)

* Delete as appropriate.

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on the benefits to support the best doctoral students in their 1st year under
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2.	Activity in acquiring funds for research and development, including acquisition of and participation in projects and research work financed from external sources.	
3.	Involvement in the development of international cooperation, including participation in international events and scientific conferences as a speaker, scientific publications with a co-author representing a foreign scientific centre and participation in international mobility.	
4.	Involvement in the work of student research clubs, implementation of PBL projects, scientific cooperation with secondary schools, promotion of the University, activity in the Student Self-Government.	
5.	Results of recruitment to the Joint Doctoral School.	
Total		

Signatures of the commission members:

Chairperson:
(name and surname) (signature)

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Representative
of doctoral students:
(name and surname) (signature)

* Delete as appropriate

Ja, Małgorzata Sokołowska, tłumacz przysięgły języka angielskiego w Gliwicach, nr wpisu na listę tłumaczy przysięgłych Ministra Sprawiedliwości: TP/1509/05, poświadczam, zgodność tłumaczenia z języka polskiego na język angielski niniejszego dokumentu z uwzględnieniem terminów uniwersyteckich oraz nazw obowiązujących w nomenklaturze Politechniki Śląskiej.
Gliwice 27 listopada 2024 r. Nr repertorium 694/2024.

I, Małgorzata Sokołowska, a sworn translator of the English language in Gliwice, no. on the list of sworn translators of the Minister of Justice: TP/1509/05, certify that I have verified the conformity of the translation from Polish into English of the above document, taking into account university terms and names in force in the nomenclature at the Silesian University of Technology.
Gliwice 27 November 2024. Repert. No. 694/2024.