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*„Motivating and supporting talented students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of the Silesian University of Technology, as well as supporting science and research”*

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**Regulations for Granting
Frank Hirschvogel Recognition Award for Academic Merit
for Students of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Technology
at Silesian University of Technology**

**§1. General Provisions**

1. The Frank Hirschvogel Recognition Award for Academic Merit (hereinafter referred to as the "Award") is granted to students of first-cycle (undergraduate) studies in the following fields of study:
a) Mechanical Engineering;
b) Production Engineering and Management.
2. The purpose of the Award is to distinguish students who achieve outstanding academic results and engage in scientific activities and the promotion of science.

**§2. Award Categories and Amount**

1. Three awards are granted with the following values:
a) First Prize: 2,000 PLN;
b) Second Prize: 1,800 PLN;
c) Third Prize: 1,600 PLN.

**§3. Conditions for Applying for the Award**

1. Students may apply for the Award if they:
a) have completed at least the first year of studies in one of the fields listed in §1 item 1;
b) have obtained an average grade of at least 4.0 for the previous academic year.
2. Additional criteria assessed by the Committee include:
a) activity in student scientific clubs;
b) involvement in science promotion (e.g., conducting workshops, lectures, organizing scientific events);
c) authorship or co-authorship of scientific publications;
d) other scientific or technical achievements (e.g., participation in competitions, research projects).

**§4. Application Procedure**

1. Candidates applying for the Award must submit an application containing:
a) a completed application form;
b) a certificate of the average grade for the previous academic year;
c) confirmation of activity in student scientific clubs or other forms of scientific involvement;
d) copies of scientific publications or a description of other scientific achievements.
2. Applications must be submitted within the deadline set by the Committee, no later than September 30 of each academic year.

**§5. Evaluation of Applications and Award Granting**

1. Applications are evaluated by a Committee appointed by the Faculty Authorities.
2. The Committee awards points for each criterion according to the following detailed scoring:

a) Grade point average (maximum 40 points):

* Average 4.0–4.29: 20 points;
* Average 4.3–4.59: 30 points;
* Average 4.6 and above: 40 points.

b) Activity in student scientific clubs (maximum 20 points):

* Membership and regular participation: 10 points;
* Acting as a leader or project coordinator: 20 points.

c) Science promotion (maximum 20 points):

* Participation in science popularization events: 10 points;
* Organization of events or conducting workshops: 20 points.

d) Publications and other scientific achievements (maximum 20 points):

* Co-authorship of a publication: 10 points;
* Authorship of a publication or receiving a scientific award: 20 points.
1. In the case of a tie in points, the Committee may decide to award additional points based on an individual assessment of the candidate’s achievements.
2. The list of laureates will be announced no later than October 15 of each academic year.

**§6. Final Provisions**

1. These Regulations shall enter into force on the date of their approval by the Faculty Authorities.
2. The Committee reserves the right not to grant the Award if there are no applications that meet the requirements specified in the Regulations.
3. Any issues not regulated by these Regulations shall be resolved by the Committee.