CONDITIONS OF APPLYING AND PROCEDURE ON ENROLLMENT IN FULL TIME, PART-TIME OR INDEPENDENT FORM OF DOCTORAL STUDIES FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS FROM THE NON-MEMBER STATES OF THE EU, EEA OR SWISS CONFEDERATION

Doctoral candidates for full-time, part-time or independent form of doctoral studies must apply at the Doctoral Degree Sector the following documents:

- 1. Application Form /model/ to the Rector of UNWE
- **2.** CV /signed by the Ph.D. candidate/
- 3. Copy of the document for higher education Master's degree /with the Supplement/
- **4.** List of publications, patents or other documents /if there are any/ certifying the interest and achievements in the relevant scientific filed
- **5.** Copy of the citizenship documents
- **6.** Certificate by the Ministry of Education and Science or Order by the UNWE Rector about Master's degree recognized if the Diploma is issued by foreign university
- 7. Two photos
- **8.** Dissertation work project in 2 paper copies and 1 electronic copy /for independent form/.

Documents referred to in p.3 and p.4 above must be translated, legalized and certified in compliance with the provisions of the International Agreements between the Republic of Bulgaria and the country that has issued them and if there are no such Agreements - under the general law for translation, legalization and certification of documents and other papers.

Foreign citizens willing to study for acquisition of Doctoral degree in independent form must also submit two paper copies and one electronic copy of the dissertation work project in the relevant language to be used for studying the Doctoral programme.

Upon a proposal by the Head of Department where the Doctoral student would like to study, the relevant Faculty Council takes the final decision about the approval of candidates.

Doctoral Degree Sector sends to the Ministry of Education and Science the documents of approved candidates-citizens of countries for which a visa for long-stay in the Republic of Bulgaria is required.

The Rector of UNWE issues an Order on enrollment of the candidate in doctoral studies on the ground of the Faculty Council Decision of approval after the Certificate of Acceptance of Studies /CAS/ in the Republic of Bulgaria is received by the Ministry of Education and Science.

Duration of the full time doctoral studies is 3 years, the part time - 4 years and the independent form of doctoral studies is up to 5 years.

Annual tuitions fees for foreign citizens /from countries out of the EU, EEA or Swiss Confederation/ admitted to doctoral studies are as follows:

For studying in **Bulgarian language**:

Full time studies 3 500.00 €

Part time studies 3 500.00 €

For language course 3 000.00 €

Independent form 3 500.00 €

For studying in **foreign language**:

Full time studies 3 500.00 €

Part time studies 3 500.00 €

Independent form 3 500.00 €

Independent form* 1 750. 00 €

/*For foreign citizens from the West Balkans – Albania, Serbia, Montenegro and North Macedonia/

The tuitions are to be paid in BNG equivalent to the fixed tuition in EURO according to the fixed conversion rate between the EURO and the BGN.

Foreign citizens /from the non-member states of the EU, EEA or Swiss Confederation/ can apply for doctoral studies under the conditions and procedure established by the UNWE for admission of Bulgarian citizens if they have:

- 1. Status of permanent residents in the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria
- 2. Refugee status
- 3. Bulgarian nationality

The status under p.1, p.2 and p.3 above must be certified by an official document.