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 with the following documents:

1. Application Form /model/ to the Rector of UNWE;
2. CV /signed by the PhD 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 /in the relevant language to be used for studying the Doctoral programme/.

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.

Doctoral candidates can submit the above-mentioned documents throughout the calendar year.

The relevant Department makes a meeting to discuss the dissertation work project. For the purpose two written statements are prepared by the assigned by the Department habilitated persons or persons obtained the educational and academic degree of Doctor.

The Department Council estimates:

1. Actuality and importance of the research issue;
2. Quality of the research work;
3. Opportunity for final elaboration of dissertation work;
4. Opportunity for competence scientific leadership.

The positive Department decision includes:

1. Proposal for enrollment in doctoral studies;
2. Provisional title of the dissertation thesis, professional field, scientific specialty and form of doctoral studies;
3. Proposal for assigning a scientific advisor who is a habilitated person;
4. Proposal for an Individual Academic Plan.

In case of negative statement, the Department Council may decide to:

1. Reconsider the dissertation work project after the comments and recommendations made during the discussion are implemented by the doctoral candidate;
2. Give a motivated final refusal without any possibility for additional discussion;
3. The proposal of the Department Council is given to the Faculty Council to take the final decision;
4. On the ground of the positive Faculty Council Decision the Rector of UNWE issues an Order on enrollment of the candidate in doctoral studies.

In case of refusal by the Faculty Council it may decide to:

1. Recommend the Department to reconsider the dissertation work project after the comments and recommendations made during the discussion are implemented by the Doctoral candidate;
2. Give a final refusal without any possibility for additional discussion.

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.

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. Duration of the independent form of doctoral studies may be shortened in case the Doctoral student has implemented all the arrangements provisioned in the Individual Academic Plan and has submitted the final dissertation work for defence.

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 EUR

Part time studies 3 500.00 EUR

For language course 3 000.00 EUR

Independent form 3 500.00 EUR

For studying in **English language:**

Full time studies 3 500.00 EUR

Part time studies 3 500.00 EUR

Independent form 3 500.00 EUR

Independent form* 1 750. 00 EUR

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

Foreign citizens from non-member states of the EU, EEA, or the Swiss Confederation are eligible to apply for and pursue PhD degree programs at the University of National and World Economy (UNWE), conducted entirely in English or Bulgarian.

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 on 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.