**RESOLUTION No. 284**

# of the Senate of the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn

**of 24 April 2018**

**on the conditions and mode of admissions of candidates for the 1st year of full-time interdisciplinary PhD studies in the field of Bioeconomy at the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn in 2018**

Pursuant to Art. 195(1) and 196(1)-(5) of the Act ‒ Higher Education Law of 27 July 2005 (consolidated text Journal of Laws of 2017, item 2183, as amended), Section 14(1) (2) of the Statute of the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, upon request of the Councils of the Faculties of: Animal Bioengineering, Biology and Biotechnology, Environmental Management and Agriculture, Veterinary Medicine, Food Science, Environmental Sciences, it is stipulated as follows:

**General provisions**

Section 1

1. The University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, hereinafter referred to as the “University”, is recruiting candidates for the 1st year of full-time PhD studies as part of interdisciplinary PhD studies in the field of Bioeconomy in the disciplines of science:
2. biological, in scientific discipline:
3. biology,
4. biotechnology,
5. agricultural, in scientific disciplines:
6. agronomy,
7. environmental protection,
8. fisheries,
9. food technology and nutrition,
10. animal sciences,
11. technical, in scientific discipline:
12. ecological engineering,
13. veterinary medicine.
14. Candidates for the 1st year of full-time PhD studies are recruited through a competition as part of the limits set by the Senate of the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn.
15. Participation in the competition is conditional on having second-cycle qualifications or the status of a beneficiary of the “Diamond Grant” programme.

Section 2

1. The following documents are required from candidates applying for admission to the 1st year of studies:
2. application (on a form, available at the website),
3. a certified copy of a diploma of the completion of second-cycle studies or a certified copy of a diploma of the completion of uniform Master studies; for candidates who also have the status of a graduate of first-cycle studies and a beneficiary of the “Diamond Grant” programme ‒ a certified copy of a diploma of the completion of first-cycle studies,
4. a document confirming the final result of second-cycle studies or uniform Master studies (for candidates who have the status of a graduate of first-cycle studies and are the beneficiary of the “Diamond Grant” programme ‒ the final result of first-cycle studies) ‒ without rounding to a full grade, according to the model specified by the University, available at the website),
5. a document confirming the result of pursued studies (applies to candidates who have the status of a student of uniform Master studies and are the beneficiary of the “Diamond Grant” programme),
6. a document confirming having the status of a beneficiary of the “Diamond Grant” programme in the original or as a certified copy (applies to candidates ‒ beneficiaries of the “Diamond Grant” programme),
7. a photograph in an digital form (JPG format) on a digital medium,
8. two photographs with dimensions 35 x 45, on bright background, in line with the requirements used at issuing identity cards, bearing given name(s), surname and PESEL identification no. on the reverse,
9. a photocopy of an identity card or other document confirming the identity of a candidate (for candidates for studies who are foreigners), certified by the University,
10. a legalised diploma, a diploma with apostille or other document of completing studies abroad, recognised as the equivalent of a Polish diploma of the completion of second-cycle studies or uniform Master studies, as set out in the laws on the recognition of diplomas of completion of higher studies obtained abroad, unless a candidate completing studies abroad is exempt on the basis of these laws from the recognition procedure, or recognised, based on an international agreement, as equivalent of a relevant Polish diploma of the completion of second-cycle studies or uniform Master studies or as entitling to take up PhD studies in the Republic of Poland (applies to candidates who have a diploma of the completion of higher studies issued abroad).
11. documentation confirming scientific achievements set out in Section 3(1)(3),
12. an initial outline of the concept of a PhD thesis approved by a future scientific supervisor,
13. Additional documents are required from candidates with non-Polish citizenship:
14. health certificate,
15. birth certificate in original or its copy certified by the University,
16. confirmation of having an illness or accident insurance policy for the period of education in Poland or a European Health Insurance Card or confirmation of taking up insurance in the National Health Fund (original or a copy certified by the University).
17. The documents mentioned in paragraph 1 and 2 are to be submitted by **04 September 2018**.
18. A candidate is obliged to deliver the documents mentioned in paragraph 2(3) to the dean’s office of a faculty within three days from the date of delivery of a decision on admission to studies.

**The principles of the admissions procedure for candidates with a diploma of the completion of higher studies issued in Poland**

Section 3

1. The basis for qualification is the sum of points consisting of:
2. the result of a qualifying examination, hereinafter referred to as the “examination” in the leading discipline, held in the English language ‒ valued in line with the principle:
3. very good grade ‒ 25 points,
4. good plus grade ‒ 20 points,
5. good grade ‒ 15 points,
6. satisfactory plus grade ‒ 10 points,
7. satisfactory grade ‒ 5 points,
8. the result of second-cycle studies or uniform Master studies, valued in line with the principle:
9. from 4.31 to 5.00 – 25 points,
10. from 4.01 to 4.30 – 20 points,
11. from 3.51 to 4.00 – 15 points,
12. from 3.21 to 3.50 – 10 points,
13. up to 3.20 – 5 points;
14. bonus criteria ‒ valued in line with the principle:
15. scientific achievements (including scientific and popular science publications, participation in scientific conferences) ‒ 25 points,
16. having application achievements ‒ 25 points,
17. participation in international exchange programmes ‒ 10 points,
18. participation in internships or traineeships related to the leading discipline of studies ‒ 10 points,
19. participation in research projects ‒ 10 points,
20. return to scientific work after a break ‒ 10 points,

including paragraph 2 and 5.

1. A graduate of a high school in which a grading scale is applicable with the highest grade 5.50 or 6.00 ‒ the admissions procedure takes into account the result of studies mentioned in paragraph 1(2), determined according to the principle:
2. with a grading scale with the highest grade 5.50 ‒ the result of studies is divided by a 1.1 coefficient,
3. with a grading scale with the highest grade 6.00 ‒ the result of studies is divided by a 1.2 coefficient.
4. For determining the basis of qualification of a beneficiary of the “Diamond Grant” programme for the sum of points set out in paragraph, the average from first-cycle studies, valued in line with the principle defined in paragraph 1(2), is taken into account.
5. The final number of points from the admissions procedure is determined in line with the principle:
6. the number of points from the examination is 40% of the final number of points,
7. the result from the studies constitutes 40% of the final number of points,
8. the bonus criteria constitute 20% of the final number of points.
9. The result of the examination obtained on the level below 3.0 disqualifies a candidate from further admission procedures.
10. The examination mentioned in paragraph 1(1) is graded according to the scale 2-5 and will be held on 05 September 2018.

**The principles of the admissions procedure of candidates having a diploma of the completion of higher studies issued abroad**

Section 4

1. The basis for qualification is the sum of points consisting of:
2. the result of an examination in the leading discipline, held in the English language ‒ valued in line with the principle:
3. very good grade ‒ 25 points,
4. good plus grade ‒ 20 points,
5. good grade ‒ 15 points,
6. satisfactory plus grade ‒ 10 points,
7. satisfactory grade ‒ 5 points,
8. bonus criteria ‒ valued in line with the principle:
9. scientific achievements (including scientific and popular science publications, participation in scientific conferences) ‒ 25 points,
10. having application achievements ‒ 25 points,
11. participation in international exchange programmes ‒ 10 points,
12. participation in internships or traineeships related to the leading discipline of studies ‒ 10 points,
13. participation in research projects ‒ 10 points,
14. return to scientific work after a break ‒ 10 points,

including paragraph 2 and 4.

1. The result of the examination obtained on the level below 3.0 disqualifies a candidate from further admission procedures.
2. The final number of points from the admissions procedure is determined in line with the principle:
3. the number of points from the examination is 40% of the final number of points,
4. the bonus criteria constitute 20% of the final number of points.
5. The examination mentioned in paragraph 1(1) is graded according to the scale 2-5 and will be held on 05 September 2018.

**Mode of admissions procedure**

Section 5

1. The examination indicated in Section 3(1)(1) and Section 4(1)(1) is held by the Examination Board appointed by head of the primary organisational unit.
2. Tasks of the Examination Board include:
3. holding an examination in the leading discipline,
4. drawing up documentation on the course and result of the examination.
5. If a disabled person applies for admission to studies, the Examination Board, after a consultation with Chairman of the Faculty Admissions Committee may, upon candidate’s request, apply a different mode of holding the examination, taking into account the degree of disability and specificity of a relevant science/scientific discipline.

**Mode of admissions procedure**

Section 6

1. The admissions procedure is carried out by the Faculty Admissions Committee appointed in the mode set out in separate regulations.
2. Tasks of the Faculty Admissions Committee include, in particular:
3. acceptance of candidates’ documents,
4. admission of candidates to the admissions procedure,
5. taking decisions in the matters of admission to studies,
6. notifying candidates of the results of the admissions procedure and admission or non-admission to studies,
7. acceptance of appeals of candidates to studies and transferring them to the Rector.

Section 7

1. After finishing the admissions procedure, the Faculty Admissions Committee prepares:
2. a ranking list of candidates, taking into account the provisions set forth in Section 3-4 of the regulation,
3. a ranking list of candidates admitted and non-admitted for the 1st year of studies as part of a set limit of places.
4. The announcement of a list of candidates admitted and non-admitted for the 1st year of studies will be made on 07 September 2018.
5. A candidate has the right to appeal against a decision of the Faculty Admissions Committee to the Rector, within 14 days from the date of delivery of the decision. The basis for the appeal may only involve violation of the conditions or the mode of admissions to studies. The Rector’s decision is final.

Section 8

1. If the limit of places is not reached, the University may conduct additional recruitment of candidates according to the schedule set out in paragraph 2.
2. The schedule of the additional admissions:
3. submitting required documents ‒ by 25 September 2018,
4. the examination ‒ 26 September 2018,
5. the announcement of the results of the admissions

procedure ‒ 28 September 2018.

**Final provisions**

Section 9

All matters not settled herein will be decided upon by the Rector.

Section 10

The resolution comes into force on the date of passing it.

**Chairman of Senate**

**Rector**

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