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On the basis of Article 19 and 69 of the Act on Scientific Activity and Higher Education (NN 119/22) and article 5 of the Rulebook on Postgraduate University Studies (Doctoral Studies) at the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management (CLASS: 602-04/21-01/186, ENTRY NR: 2156/24-21-06-01-01) of 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and Article 9 of the Statute of the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management (CLASS: 602-02/23-02/03, ENTRY NR: 2156-18-23-02-01) of 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023, at the suggestion of the Council of Doctoral Study "Business Economics in Tourism and Hospitality Industry", the Council of the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management on its regular 13<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 adopted the following

**DECISION**  
**on PUBLIC CALL FOR ENROLLMENT**  
**of candidates for Doctoral Study**  
**"Business Economics in Tourism and Hospitality Industry"**  
**for acquiring the academic degree of Doctor of Science in the area of Social sciences, field of Economics**  
**in the academic year 2024/2025**

On the basis of articles 11 to 13 of the Rulebook on Postgraduate University Studies (Doctoral Studies) at the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management University of Rijeka (CLASS: : 602-04/21-01/186, ENTRY NR: 2156/24-21-06-01-01) of 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Right to apply for enrolment have the applicants who:**

- according to previous regulations, have graduated from an appropriate pre-Bologna four- year university study, upon which completion a university degree in the field of economics has been acquired or
- have completed a graduate university study according to the principles of the Bologna process, by whose completion they have gained at least 300 ECTS-points and acquired the academic title Master of Economics (mag. oec.) or Postgraduate university specialist (univ. mag. oec.).

**Applicants who have completed the studies listed below will be awarded ECTS recognition for::**

- an appropriate postgraduate scientific (Masters) programme in the field of economics (recognition of 80 ECTS) or
- the applicants who have just to prepare and defend the master thesis in the field of economics (recognition of 60 ECTS) or
- an appropriate postgraduate university specialist (Bologna) programme in the field of economics (recognition of 50 ECTS) or
- the applicants who have just to prepare and defend the specialist thesis in the field of economics (recognition of 35 ECTS).

The tuition fee will be determined according to the recognized ECTS credits.

Applicants must have a good command of English, which they prove with their student certificate or other document.

Right to apply for enrolment have Croatian and foreign citizens.

**The application must contain:**

- the application for admission to doctoral study and recommendation of one (1) or two (2) university teachers, depending on the achieved grade point average
- certified copy of diploma (for each level of education)
- transcript and GPA / Diploma Supplement – original or certified copy (for each level of education)
- curriculum vitae (CV)
- [Admission Research Proposal](#) in Croatian and English
- documentation for recognition of additional criteria
- decision on payment if the tuition fee is paid by a legal entity
- applicants who finished their study abroad have to enclose the Decision on recognition of foreign higher education qualifications for the purpose of continuing the higher education in the Republic of Croatia (academic recognition) issued by the Office for the academic recognition of higher education qualifications and period of study at the University of Rijeka
- foreign nationals are obligated to provide citizenship certificate and birth certificate.

### **Enrolment criteria:**

Doctoral study may be enrolled by a person who has an appropriate prior education in economics, or another education in accordance with the study programme, an achieved grade point average of 3.6 or higher, and the recommendation of at least one (1) university teacher.

Applicants with a grade point average lower than 3.6 may be enrolled only with a written recommendation from at least two (2) university teachers, but only if they have other professional and scientific references.

### **Applicants are ranked based on the following criteria (maximum 100 points):**

- GPA achieved during the first and second level of university studies (weighted GPA, maximum of 50 points)
- employment at the scientific-educational or scientific institution (maximum 10 points)
- scientific papers published in scientific publications cited in the databases according to the valid national criteria set by the Rulebook for selecting and awarding scientific titles (NN 28/2017), whereby category A1 is awarded with 10 points and category A2 with 5 points (maximum 10 points)
- acknowledgements or awards (state or international level) for scientific and professional activities (10 points)
- interview with the Committee for the doctoral study enrolment about the expected scientific contribution of research topic, based on which the appropriateness and validity of proposed topic and expected scientific contribution, possibility to ensure a suitable mentor and the applicant's knowledge of English language are evaluated. This is the eliminating criterion. (maximum 20 points).

Applicants who do not exceed **the minimum score threshold of 35 points** cannot enrol.

### **Realization of doctoral study**

Doctoral Study is performed in two forms: full-time (full-time studies) or part-time (part-time studies).

### **Admission threshold**

It is defined by approved enrollment quota of 20 students. Ten (10) students enroll as full-time and ten (10) as part-time. If a sufficient number of candidates do not apply to the study, the Faculty reserves the right not to open the doctoral study for this academic year.

### **Duration of study**

Three (3) years – six (6) semesters, with its completion student acquires 180 ECTS credits.

### **Cost of study**

The tuition fee for a three-year doctoral study is EUR 12,500.00

For students whose ECTS credits are recognized after enrolling in the course, the cost of the course is reduced proportionally.

### **Applications**

Applications must be sent by registered mail and postmarked as "Enrollment application for Doctoral Study PETU" or delivered in person, to the address: Primorska 46, Naselje Ika, p.p. 97, 51 410 Opatija, Croatia. The application for admission form as well as other information about the study can be found at [Faculty's web site](#).

Applications must be sent no later than **30<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

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