

# **Recruitment rules to the Doctoral College of Philosophy at the Doctoral School of the University of Wrocław**

## **The list of required documents**

1. Application (including information on the planned subject of doctoral thesis and the name of the proposed research supervisor).
2. Personal questionnaire completed in applicable online candidate recruitment system.
3. Diploma of graduating from 2nd degree studies or uniform Master's studies or other document entitling to apply for admission to a doctoral school (the original will be available for inspection to verify its conformity with the original); in the case of diploma acquired abroad (outside of Poland) an apostille or certification by the Polish consulate is required.
4. A written opinion of the research supervisor selected from among independent research fellows of the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Wrocław regarding the draft outline of doctoral thesis including the declaration of providing research guidance for the candidate.
5. The initial outline of doctoral thesis.
6. A certificate or a statement confirming the knowledge of English language at B2 or equivalent level (FCE, TOEFL- 550, IELTS 5,5-6,0, BEC Vantage and other equivalent international certificates); the candidates for whom English was the language of instruction during the previous stage of education or for whom it is a native language, are released from the obligation of presenting the certificate.
7. A statement of the candidate for the Doctoral School of the University of Wrocław containing information: whether she/he has or does not have a doctoral degree, is an academic teacher or researcher, is a doctoral student at another college of the Doctoral School of the University of Wrocław or another Doctoral School (according to the required form).
8. The confirmation of the recruitment fee payment.

The documents should be submitted in Polish or English language.

### **Foreign candidates should also submit:**

1. The Polish translation of a diploma or other document entitling to undertake education at the Doctoral School. The translation must be certified by a Polish sworn translator (included on the list of sworn translators maintained by the Minister of Justice ), a sworn translator from the EU (if the institution of sworn translation exists in a given country) or a Polish consul.
2. The copy of a document confirming the legalisation of stay in Poland along with the original for inspection. It is possible to be admitted to the entrance exam without the copy of the document confirming the legalisation of stay and to present the document only after the positive result of the entrance exam.

## **Recruitment rules**

1. The candidates will be admitted to the Doctoral College of Philosophy of the Doctoral School of the University of Wrocław based on a competition within the scope of the available limit of places.
2. The result of the competition expressed in points will be determining the admission to the Doctoral College of Philosophy of the Doctoral School of the University of Wrocław.
3. The following items are scored: draft outline of doctoral thesis accepted by the proposed research supervisor, research achievements to date and activity in student research clubs, answers during the oral entrance exam to questions regarding the draft outline of doctoral thesis and general knowledge of the candidate in the given research discipline.
4. The entrance exam can be conducted in the form of a videoconference upon the consent of the recruitment commission.
5. The minimum score required to be admitted to the Doctoral College of Philosophy is 60 points.
6. The following scoring is defined for the draft outline of doctoral thesis, research achievements and entrance exam:

<b>No</b>	<b>Assessed topic</b>	<b>Requirements/detailed description</b>	<b>Scoring</b>
1.	Initial outline of doctoral thesis	Acceptance by a proposed research supervisor; Volume 20-40 thousand characters including spaces, content encompassing as minimum: introduction and definition of a research topic including the justification, review of the literature on the subject, methodology and approach to the research; planned content of doctoral thesis, bibliography in Harvard style	0-30 points

2.	Research publications	<p>A copy of the publication or a statement confirming the admission to printing should be attached:</p> <p>a. 5 points – articles published in journals listed in databases: Scopus, Web of Science, ERIH Plus and own monographs published by publishers from the list of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MNiSW).</p> <p>b. 3 points – other articles in journals from the list of journals of the MNiSW or the chapters in edited volumes published by publishers from the list of MNiSW.</p>	0-10 points
3.	Participation in research projects	<p>Confirmation of participation from the project leader or decisions on allocation of funds should be attached.</p> <p>a. 3 points – the role of a research fellow or a leader in the projects of NCN, NCBiR, MNiSW, H2020, ERC, European Commission and other foreign institutions and organisations</p> <p>b. 1 point –the role of a research fellow or a leader in other projects</p>	0-5 points

4.	Activity in student scientific clubs, participation in organisational committees of conferences or activity promoting the science	A statement from the organisers of the event should be attached, in case of student scientific clubs – a statement issued by the research club supervisor. The commission shall award the score based on qualitative assessment of the achievements.	0-5 points
5.	Active participation in a scientific conference (including a presentation, poster etc.)	Conference program and certificate/statement from the organisers should be attached a. 1 point – student-doctoral conference, b. 2 point – nationwide conference, c. 3 point – international conference (minimum 30% of participants with the papers from outside the country of the organiser)	0-5 points
6.	Research scholarships and awards awarded both within and outside the University, participation in student exchange programs (Erasmus+, Most, other)	A certificate, confirmation or a diploma should be attached. The commission shall award the score based on qualitative assessment of the achievements.	0-5 points
7.	Entrance exam – discussion on the submitted draft outline of doctoral thesis		0-20 points

8.	Entrance exam – assessment of general knowledge in the area of the given discipline	Random questions from the list of exam topics	0-20 points
Total		0-100 points	

### **The list of exam topics (entrance exam)**

1. Ancient and modern roots of European culture.
2. Scientific and social implications of philosophical systems in the period between 17th and 21st centuries.
3. Sources and main currents in contemporary social and political philosophy.
4. Ontological and epistemological theories in European philosophy.
5. Art and beauty as subject of aesthetics.
6. Individual in the world of culture.
7. Main currents of contemporary thought.
8. Elements of practical and applied philosophy.
9. Main ethical traditions.
10. Debates in contemporary moral philosophy.
11. Specific character of selected subdisciplines in philosophy with special focus on methods and examples of conceptual definitions.

### **Recommended literature**

- AYER A. J. (different editions). *Philosophy in the Twentieth Century*.
- BOCHENSKI J. M. (different editions). *The Methods of Contemporary Thought*. trans. by P. Caws.
- BOUCHER D., KELLY P. (eds.), (2003). *Political Thinkers: From Socrates to the Present*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- GADAMER H.-G. (different editions). *The Beginning of Philosophy*. trans. by R. Coltman.
- KYMLICKA W. (different editions). *Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Introduction*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- SCHNÄDELBACH H. (1984). *Philosophy in Germany 1831-1933*. trans. by E. Matthews. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- SCHRÖDINGER E. (different editions). *'Nature and the Greeks' and 'Science and Humanism'*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- SINGER P. (different editions). *Practical Ethics*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- STRAUSS L., CROUSEY J. (eds.), (different editions). *History of Political Philosophy*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- TATARKIEWICZ W. (different editions). *A History of Six Ideas: An Essay in Aesthetics*. trans. by Ch. Kasperek.
- TATARKIEWICZ W. (different editions), *Analysis of Happiness*. trans. by E. Rothert, D. Zielinska.