

Recruitment rules to the College of Political and Administrative Sciences at the Doctoral School of the University of Wrocław

List of required documents (also for applicants for STER Programme - doctoral scholarships for foreigners)

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 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 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 5,5-6,5, BEC Vantage and other equivalent international certificates), and for STER programme applicants a certificate or a statement confirming the knowledge of English language at C1 or equivalent level (CAE, TOEFL- 95, IELTS 7,0, BEC Higher and other equivalent international certificates); the candidates for whom English was a lecturing language during a previous stage of education or for whom it is a native language, are released from the obligation of presenting the certificate.
7. The copy of a document confirming the legalisation of stay in Poland along with the original for inspection (in case of foreigners); 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 in case of positive result of the entrance exam.
8. The documents should be submitted in Polish or English language.
9. The confirmation of the recruitment fee payment

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1. The candidates will be admitted to the College of Political and Administrative Sciences of 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 College of Political and Administrative Sciences 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 College of Political and Administrative Sciences is 60 points.
6. The following scoring is defined for the draft outline of doctoral thesis, research achievements and entrance exam:

No	Assessed topic	Requirements/detailed description	Scoring
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, own monographs and scientific edition of a monograph published by publishers from the list of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MNiSW) dated 18 January 2019.</p> <p>b. 3 points – other articles in journals from the list of journals of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education dated 25.01.2017, list from 2019 or the chapters in edited volumes published by publishers from the list of MNiSW dated 18 January</p>	0-10 points

		2019. c. 1 point – other research articles or chapters	
3.	Participation in research projects	Confirmation of participation from the project leader or decisions on allocation of funds should be attached. a. 3 points – role of a research fellow or a leader in projects: NCN, NCBiR, MNiSW, H2020, ERC, European Commission and other foreign institutions and organisations b. 1 point – role of a research fellow or a leader in other projects	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 – nation-wide 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	Random questions from the list of exam topics	0-20 points

	knowledge in the area of the given discipline		
		Total	0-100 points

The list of exam topics (entrance exam)

1. Contemporary democracies – models and characteristics
2. Public administration – structural properties and principal functions
3. Political problems in today's world
4. Mass media in modern world
5. Politics and power
6. Populism and democracy
7. International systems of national and ethnic minorities' rights protection
8. International organisations
9. Processes of integration and disintegration in Europe after 1945.
10. Main theories of European integration.

Recommended literature

- Berend I.T. (2016), *The History of European Integration. A new perspective*, Routledge.
- Gilbert M. (2012), *European Integration: A Concise History*, Rowman & Littlefield.
- Heywood, A. (2013), *Politics*, New York: Macmillan International Higher Education
- Hix S., Høyland B. (2011), *The political system of the European Union*, Palgrave Macmillan.
- Peters, B. G. (2002), *Politics of bureaucracy. An Introduction to Comparative Public Administration*, London, New York: Routledge
- Rosamond B. (ed.) (2007), *Theories of European Integration*, New York.
- Shively, P. W. (2017), *The Craft of Political Research*, New York: Routledge.
- Stachowska Z. (2013), *The Rights of National Minorities in International Law*, International Courts Association.
- Wallace H., Pollack, M. A., Young A. R. (2010), *Policy-making in the European Union*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.