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Rules of the Call Excellence Initiative – Toruń Students Summer Programs – TSSP of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

Pursuant to art. 52.3 of Resolution No. 37 of the Senate of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 16 April 2019 - the Statutes of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (Biuletyn Prawny UMK of 2019, item 120 as amended) in connection with art. 15.3.18 of order No. 229 of the NCU Rector of 2 November 2020 - Regulations for the organisation and management of the "Excellence Initiative - Research University" programme at the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (Biuletyn Prawny UMK of 2020, item 392)

it is ordered as follows:

Article 1

The call "Excellence Initiative – Toruń Students Summer Programs – TSSP of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń", hereinafter referred to as the "call" shall be organised under the "Excellence Initiative – Research University" programme (IDUB) at the Nicolaus Copernicus University, hereinafter referred to as "the University".

Article 2

1. The objective of the call is to enable scientific cooperation between students of foreign universities, excluding doctoral students and University staff members. The cooperation shall take the form of a four-week research internship for students at the University during the summer months.
2. The call shall have one edition per year up to 2025 until the funds earmarked for this purpose under the IDUB programme have been exhausted.

Article 3

1. The call is addressed to persons employed at the University in the group of academic teachers holding at least the degree of *doktor* and representing a scientific discipline covered by one of the five Summer Programs listed in art. 6.1 who plan to undertake scientific cooperation with students of foreign universities by conducting joint research projects.
2. The project may be submitted by a person referred to in art. 3.1, hereinafter referred to as "the project author", who is employed at the University, or by two academic teachers employed at the University, hereinafter referred to as "the project authors".

Article 4

1. The project authors shall be responsible for content-related supervision of students implementing their projects in the form of four-week internships at the University.
2. The project author may include a student of the University in the project, excluding participants of doctoral programmes and doctoral students in doctoral schools, based on previous experience in scientific cooperation with the student, e.g. participation in a research group or the completion of a diploma thesis.

Article 5

1. The project authors shall be entitled to remuneration for the content-related supervision of the project in the amount and form specified by the Rector.
2. The amount of remuneration shall not depend on the number of authors of the project.
3. Where there are two authors, the main project author shall decide how to divide the remuneration.

Article 6

1. Projects shall be prepared under the list of disciplines and research topics pursued under one of the five Toruń Students Summer Programs – TSSP:
 - 1) TAPS – Toruń Astrophysics/ Physics Summer Program;
 - 2) TABMED – Toruń and Bydgoszcz Medical Summer Program;
 - 3) TSSP NatSci – Toruń Students Summer Program in Natural Sciences;
 - 4) TELSP – Toruń Economic and Legal Summer Program;
 - 5) THUS – Toruń Humanities and Social Sciences Summer Program.
2. Project applications shall be submitted in electronic form by the deadline indicated in the call for proposals to the Coordinator of the relevant Program:
 - 1) TAPS – taps@umk.pl
 - 2) TABMED – tabmed@umk.pl
 - 3) TSSP NatSci – natsci@umk.pl
 - 4) TELSP – telsp@umk.pl
 - 5) THUS – thus@umk.pl
3. The project application shall include:
 - 1) a short description of the project in English including the title of the project, research objectives, research tasks and deadline for completion, as well as information on the scientific discipline as part of which the project will be implemented (maximum 250 words);
 - 2) information on the scientific achievements of the project author (the main project author in the case of a two-author project) - max. 1000 words;
 - 3) information on the experience of the project author (the main project author in the case of a two-author project) in scientific cooperation with students (maximum 500 words).

Article 7

1. The implementation of the project should cover four consecutive weeks between 1 July and 31 August of a given year. The Program Coordinator may allow in the call procedure projects with an implementation period falling wholly or partly in June or September.
2. One person may be the sole author or the main author for up to three projects.
3. If several projects are submitted, it must be specified which of the submitted projects is the priority project. If one project is submitted, it shall be a priority project.
4. The submitted projects shall be evaluated by a Selection Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee" appointed by the Programme Coordinator. The project evaluation sheet is annexed to these Rules.
5. The composition of the Committee shall be as follows:
 - 1) the Program Coordinator and/or his/her deputy;
 - 2) academic teachers holding at least the degree of *doktor* who represent scientific or artistic disciplines in which the projects are submitted, one from each discipline.

6. The Program Coordinator or his/her deputy shall act as the chair of the Committee.
7. The Committee shall determine the detailed point criteria for the assessment of projects taking into account in particular:
 - 1) content-related value of the project;
 - 2) scientific achievements of the project author (the main project author in the case of a two-author project);
 - 3) experience of the project author (the main project author in the case of a two-author project) in scientific cooperation with students.
8. The Committee may award additional points for projects for which the timing is such that they promote the integration of the students participating in the Program.

Article 8

1. Based on the established criteria, the Committee shall draw up ranking lists of projects: one for priority projects and one for non-priority projects. Besides, the Committee shall set a minimum number of points, hereinafter referred to as " the threshold", which a project must meet to be selected for implementation.
2. The Committee may waive the drawing up of a ranking list of non-priority projects if the number of priority projects which have obtained no fewer points than the set threshold is no less than the planned number of projects to be implemented.
3. Based on the ranking lists and the threshold, the Committee shall, within the time limit indicated in the call for proposals, publish a list of projects selected for implementation.
4. Projects from the list of priority projects shall be eligible for implementation in the first place. Projects from the list of non-priority projects may only be selected for implementation if there is not a sufficient number of priority projects that have obtained no less than the specified threshold number of points.

Article 9

1. The decision of the Committee may be appealed in writing within 7 days of the announcement of the results sent to the e-mail address of the Program Coordinator to whom the project author applied.
2. The decision of the Committee after consideration of the appeal shall be final.

Article 10

The order becomes effective as of 11 March 2021.

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