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of the Rector of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

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Regulations of awarding scholarships to first-year students in the fields of study within priority research areas

Pursuant to Art. 23.1 of the Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws of 2021, item 478 as amended) and art. 52.3 of the resolution No. 37 of the Senate of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 16 April 2019 - Statutes of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2019, item 120 as amended) and art.15.3.12 of the order No. 225 of the NCU Rector of 16 November 2021 - Regulations for the organization and management of the "Excellence Initiative - Research University" programme at the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2021, item 374)

it is ordered as follows:

Chapter 1 General provisions

Article 1

The Regulations lay down the rules, criteria, and procedure of awarding scholarships to first-year students in the fields of study within priority research areas at the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń under the "Excellence Initiative –Research University" programme, hereinafter referred to as "scholarships",

Chapter 2 Rules of awarding scholarships

Article 2

Scholarships may be awarded to first-year students of:

- a) first-cycle studies
- b) second-cycle studies
- c) long-cycle studies.

Article 3

- 1. The scholarship shall be awarded for a period of 12 months, from 1 October to 30 September in a given academic year.
- 2. In the case of studies starting in the summer semester, the scholarship shall be awarded for a period of 7 months, from 1 March to 30 September in a given academic year.

Article 4

The amount and number of scholarships shall be determined by the rector at the request of the director of the university center of excellence or coordinator of a field of study in English.

Article 5

- 1. Scholarships shall be awarded on a competitive basis.
- 2. The competition shall be conducted by the director of the center of excellence or coordinator of the field of study in English.

Chapter 3 Criteria for awarding scholarships

Article 6

- 1. The scholarship in the first year of first-cycle studies or long-cycle studies may be awarded to a person who has been admitted to the studies in the year of passing a maturity exam.
- 2. The scholarship in the first year of second-cycle studies may be awarded to a person who has been admitted to the studies no later than one year after completion of first-cycle studies.
- 3. A person holding a Master's degree, Master of Engineering degree or equivalent shall not be entitled to the scholarship.
- 4. A student studying more than one field of study may apply for the scholarship in each field of study, however, they may be awarded the scholarship only in one field of study, which is indicated by the student.

Article 7

- 1. The scholarship may be awarded to students who have achieved the highest results in the the ranking list prepared in accordance with the criteria established by the director of the university center of excellence or coordinator of a field of study in English.
- 2. The director of the center of excellence or coordinator of a field of study in English shall make public the criteria of awarding the scholarship on the faculty website by 1 October, for students starting their studies in the winter semester, and by 1 March, for students starting their studies in the summer semester of a given academic year.

Chapter 4 Procedure of awarding the scholarship

Article 8

- 1. The scholarship shall be awarded on the basis of the application submitted by a student, in accordance with the template attached as the annex to these Regulations.
- 2. The application may be expanded to include attachments established by the director of the university center of excellence or coordinator of a field of study in English in the announcement of the competition.
- 3. Applications for the scholarship shall be submitted to the director of the center of excellence or coordinator of a field of study in English.
- 4. Applications for the scholarship shall be submitted by 21 October (or by 21 March in the case of studies starting in the summer semester) of a given academic year.
- 5. Substantive assessment of the applications shall be conducted by the committee appointed by the director of the center of excellence or coordinator of a field of study in English, separately for each field of study.

Article 9

1. The results of the substantive assessment shall be sent in the form of a ranking list to the rector. The lists shall be prepared separately for each field of study.

2. The decision on awarding the scholarship shall be made by the rector.

Article 10

The decision of the rector shall be subject to the motion for reconsideration submitted by a student within one week from the date of its delivery.

Chapter 5 Payment of the scholarship

Article 11

The scholarship shall be paid in the non-cash form to the bank account specified by a student in the USOS system.

Article 12

The scholarship shall be paid monthly except that the payment of the scholarship for October and November shall be made cumulatively in November. In the case of studies starting in the summer semester, the scholarship for March and April shall be paid cumulatively in April.

Article 13

- 1. The scholarship payment shall be discontinued in the case of:
 - 1) removal from the student list in accordance with art. 59.1.2-3. art. 60.1.1-3 of the Rules of Studies of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń;
 - 2) obtaining long-term leave, the terms of which have been specified in the Rules of Studies of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń;
 - 3) finding of providing factually inaccurate information by a student in the application referred to in art. 7.1;
 - 4) failure to pass one or more courses in the first semester of studies.
- 2. In the cases referred to in art. 13.1.1., the scholarship payment shall be discontinued on the first day of the next month after the decision of removal from the student list becomes final.
- 3. In the case referred to in art. 13.1.3., a student shall be obliged to return the funds received.

Chapter 6 Final provisions

Article 14

The administrative servicing of awarding the scholarships shall be provided by the Department of Admissions and Student Affairs, CM Department of Admissions and Student Affairs, and relevant dean's offices.

Article 15

Order No. 180 of the Rector of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 14 September 2021 on awarding scholarships to first-year students in the fields of study within priority research areas (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2021, item 301) shall be repealed.

Article 16

The order becomes effective as of 17 August 2022.

RECTOR