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by the Rector of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

of 26 January 2026

Regulations of the competition for mobility for doctoral students of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

Pursuant to Art. 52.3 of Resolution No. 37 of the Senate of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 16 April 2019 - the Statutes of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2024, item 10 as amended) in connection with order No. 14 by the NCU Rector of 22 January 2026 - Regulations for the organisation and management of the 'Excellence Initiative - Research University' programme at Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2026, item 20) and order No. 197 by the NCU Rector of 30 September 2021 – Regulations of internship travel of employees and doctoral students of the Nicolaus Copernicus University (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2021, item 335)

i t i s o r d e r e d as follows:

Article 1

1. The competition is organised at Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, hereinafter referred to as the 'University,' within the framework of the programme 'Excellence Initiative – Research University,' hereinafter referred to as 'IDUB.'
2. The aim of the competition is to enable doctoral students of the University's doctoral schools to gain international research experience through the implementation of short-term research fellowships at recognized foreign scientific institutions.

Article 2

1. Doctoral students of the University's doctoral schools, hereinafter referred to as 'doctoral students,' may participate in the competition.
2. The doctoral student status declared in the application must be maintained until the end of the mobility period. Any change or loss of status must be immediately reported to the IDUB Programme Section. In the event of a change or loss of status, the granted funding shall be suspended as of the date of the change or loss of status, and further implementation and financing shall not be possible.

Article 3

1. Within the framework of the competition, it is possible to obtain funding for a 30-day research fellowship, hereinafter referred to as the 'fellowship,' at a foreign scientific institution.
2. In one edition of the competition, a doctoral student may submit one application for funding of a fellowship.
3. The fellowship budget consists of travel and subsistence costs, calculated as lump sums depending respectively on the distance from Toruń or Bydgoszcz to the destination and on the length of stay.

4. Travel costs are calculated in accordance with the table below:

Distance (in km) in a straight line between Toruń or Bydgoszcz and the destination	Amount
below 500	1 040,00 PLN
500 – 999	2 080,00 PLN
1 000 – 2 999	3 120,00 PLN
3 000 – 5 999	4 160,00 PLN
6 000 – 9 000	5 200,00 PLN
above 9000	6 240,00 PLN

5. The lump sum to cover subsistence costs amounts to:
 - 1) PLN 13,320 in the case of a fellowship carried out in a country belonging to the OECD;
 - 2) PLN 8,340 in the case of a fellowship carried out in a non-OECD country.
6. Due advance payments for income tax shall be deducted from the lump-sum amounts paid.

Article 4

1. Applications to the competition shall be submitted using the dedicated online form available on the IDUB programme website, the template of which constitutes Annex No. 1 to this order, by the deadline indicated in the competition announcement.
2. The application, prepared in English, shall include:
 - 1) CV with a list of achievements including the applicant's scientific activities;
 - 2) List of publications or artistic works;
 - 3) Fellowship plan;
 - 4) Invitation from the host institution that will host the doctoral student;
 - 5) Supervisor's opinion (or academic advisor's opinion, in the case of doctoral studies participants who have not opened their doctoral proceedings) on the significance of the planned activity for the doctoral student's scientific development and for the research conducted as part of the doctoral dissertation being prepared by the doctoral student;
 - 6) Description of the outcomes of fellowships completed under previous editions of the competition (in the case of persons who completed fellowships under earlier editions of the competition);
 - 7) GDPR declaration.
3. Submission of an application is equivalent to acceptance of the competition regulations.

Article 5

1. Applications submitted within the competition will be evaluated by a competition committee composed of the directors of the doctoral schools operating at the University and a representative of Working Group No. 2 – Quality of Education of Students and Doctoral Students of IDUB, chaired by the Director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School Academia Copernicana. The committee may request expert opinions on the applications

from experts representing the disciplines within which the applicants' doctoral theses are being prepared.

2. Applications that do not meet the formal requirements shall not be subject to substantive evaluation. It is permissible to request the applicant to supplement the application within the time limit set by the competition committee.
3. The following shall be taken into account in the substantive assessment of applications:
 - 1) Doctoral student's scientific achievements; in the case of persons who completed fellowships under previous editions of the competition, the assessment of the scientific achievements shall take into account the results of these fellowships (from 0 to 25 points);
 - 2) Substantive value of the activities planned under the fellowship (from 0 to 40 points);
 - 3) Rank of the host institution (from 0 to 25 points);
 - 4) Opinion of the supervisor or academic advisor (from 0 to 10 points).The application evaluation sheet constitutes Annex No. 2 to this order
4. On the basis of the substantive assessment results, the competition committee shall draw up three ranking lists (corresponding to the three fields of science assigned to scientific councils established under the IDUB).
5. The decision to award funding shall be taken by the Rector on the basis of the ranking lists submitted after obtaining the opinion of the IDUB coordinating team.
6. Lists of successful applicants shall be published on the IDUB programme website. The decision and the application evaluation sheet shall be sent to each applicant by e-mail to the address the applicant provided on the application form.

Article 6

1. The applicant may submit a request for the reconsideration of the Rector's decision on the award of funding within 7 days of its delivery. The request shall be sent to: mobilnosci_ds@umk.pl. The sole grounds for the request may be a breach of the rules governing the conduct of the competition.
2. The Rector's decision issued after the reconsideration of the request is final.

Article 7

1. The planned start date of the fellowship may not fall earlier than 2 months after the end of the application call.
2. The mobility must be commenced within 6 months from the date of the decision.
3. A doctoral student who has completed a fellowship funded under the competition shall be obliged to submit, to the Chair of the IDUB coordinating team (via the IDUB Programme Section) and to the director of the relevant doctoral school, a report on the completed fellowship approved by the supervisor (academic advisor) within 2 months of the completion of the fellowship.

Article 8

Order No. 125 by the Rector of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 17 August 2022 Regulations of the competition for the mobility of doctoral students at Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2022, item 219 as amended) shall be repealed.

Article 9

The order becomes effective as of 27 January 2026.

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