

Selection criteria for admission to doctoral studies in 2025

NATURAL SCIENCES

The interview will take into account the applicant's scientific competence, motivation and scientific methodological skills in the chosen dissertation topic, and the relevance of the applicant's basic education to the discipline of the chosen topic.

Field of science, code	Mathematics, N 001	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 1 point
0,05 x (WA)	1 x (I)	0,5 x (SW)
Minimum score	6	

Field of science, code	Physics, N 002*	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 10 points
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	22	

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Field of science, code	Chemistry, N 003	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 10 points
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	22	

Field of science, code	Biochemistry, N 004*	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW)**
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	16	

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Field of science, code	Geology, N 005	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 10 points
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	18	

Field of science, code	Physical Geography, N 006	
Selection procedure	Research project and interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Research project and interview assessment (RPI), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 10 points
0,2 x (WA)	0,6x[0,4 x (RP) + 0,6 x (I)]	0,2 x (SW)
Minimum score	7,5	

* Weighted average of the diploma supplement (40%) and evaluation of the final work (60%)

Field of science, code	Informatics, N 009	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 10 points
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	22	

Field of science, code	Biology, N 010*	
Selection procedure	Research project and interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Research project and interview assessment (RPI), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW)**
1 x (WA)	1 x (RPI)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	16	

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Field of science, code	Biophysics, N 011*	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW)**

1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	16	

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Field of science, code	Ecology and Environmental Sciences, N 012*	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 5 points**
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	18	

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Field of science, code	Zoology, N 014*	
Selection procedure	Interview	
The structure of the competitive score and their coefficients		
Diploma Supplement Grades weighted average (WA), up to 10 points	Interview assessment (I), up to 10 points	Scientific experience and science evaluation of works (SW), up to 3 points**
1 x (WA)	1 x (I)	1 x (SW)
Minimum score	18	

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