

Rīga Stradiņš University
Admission Regulations
for Doctoral Study Programmes for the Academic Year 2021/2022

Issued in accordance with Section 46 Paragraph Two of the Law on Higher Education Institutions, Paragraph 3 of the Cabinet Regulations No. 846 of 10 October 2006 “Regulations regarding the Requirements, Criteria and Procedures for the Admission to Study Programmes” and Clauses 3.6 and 4.6 of Rīga Stradiņš University Constitution

1. General Provisions

- 1.1. Rīga Stradiņš University Admission Regulations for Doctoral Study Programmes (hereinafter - the Regulations) establish the procedure for admission of applicants to Rīga Stradiņš University (hereinafter - the University, abbreviated - RSU) doctoral study programmes.
- 1.2. Admission to studies at the University is carried out based on the Law on Higher Education Institutions (hereinafter - the LHEI), the Cabinet Regulations No. 846 of 10 October 2006 “Regulations regarding the Requirements, Criteria and Procedures for the Admission to Study Programmes” (hereinafter - Cabinet Regulations No 846, Agreement among the Government of the Republic of Estonia, the Government of the Republic of Latvia and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania on the Automatic Academic Recognitions of Qualifications concerning Higher Education, RSU Constitution, these Regulations, as well as in compliance with other laws and regulations.
- 1.3. Admission to subsequent stages of studies at the University is ensured based on the Cabinet Regulations No. 932 of 16 November 2004 “Procedures for the Initiation of Studies in Subsequent Study Stages” and the Cabinet Regulations No. 505 of 14 August 2018 “Regulations regarding the Validation of Competences Achieved outside of Formal Education or in Professional Experience and the Learning Outcomes Achieved in Previous Learning”.

- 1.4. Admission shall be ensured by RSU Admissions Committee, that acts in conformity with its Regulations [Paragraph 5 of the Cabinet Regulations No 846].
- 1.5. The right to be admitted in conformity with these Regulations and to study at the University shall be the same for citizens of the Republic of Latvia, non-citizens of the Republic of Latvia, citizens of the European Union, citizens of the European Economic Area or citizens of the Swiss Confederation and the permanent residents of the European Community holding a valid residence permit [LIHE 45(2)]. Other persons shall have the right to study at the University in accordance with the requirements set in laws and regulations. Special rules for the admission of people from other countries shall be approved by the Rector's decree.
- 1.6. Special requirements and criteria for admission to each of the doctoral study programmes, as well as other indicators characterising the respective study programme are set out in the Annexes to these Regulations.

2. Documents

- 2.1. Application for studies may be made in person at RSU Student Services or electronically on the electronic registration website <https://uznemsana.rsu.lv>. When applying in person, the applicant shall complete the application questionnaire and shall submit the documents specified in the Regulations and their respective Annex. When applying electronically, the applicant shall complete the application form on the electronic registration website <https://uznemsana.rsu.lv>, but the documents shall be submitted to RSU Student Services until the end of the registration period of applicants.
- 2.2. The applicant shall submit the documents in person. If the applicant cannot submit the documents in person, it may be done by another person who presents a power of attorney certified by a notary or who has previously obtained an oral authorisation of the applicant on the spot at the University (Section 38, Paragraph One of the Administrative Procedure Law).
- 2.3. The applicant shall submit the documents in the official language. The documents submitted by the applicant in a foreign language must be legalised in accordance with the procedure laid down by the law [The Hague Convention of 5 October 1961 Abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents] and a certified translation into the official language in

accordance with the procedures prescribed by laws and regulations should be attached thereto [the Cabinet Regulations No. 291 of 22 August 2000 “Procedures for the Certification of Document Translations in the Official Language” (as amended by the Cabinet Regulations No. 6. of 6 January 2004)].

- 2.4. If the applicant has obtained the education document or degree abroad, the application shall be accompanied by a statement from the Academic Information Centre stating how the education document or degree obtained abroad compares to the education document or degree awarded in Latvia [Paragraph 7 of the Cabinet Regulations No 846]. Information on the Internet: www.aic.lv. This shall not apply to education documents and degrees obtained in Estonia and Lithuania.
- 2.5. When submitting the documents, the applicant shall pay a fee for the document registration service to the current account of the University. The amount of that fee shall be set by the University and it shall not be refunded.
- 2.6. If any of the documents to be submitted has a different name and/or surname and/or personal identity number than in the passport, a document certifying the change of the respective personal data must also be presented.
- 2.7. The documents submitted by applicants who are not enrolled for studies at the University, shall be stored by RSU Student Services in accordance with the procedures specified in RSU File Nomenclature. After the expiry of the document storage period specified in RSU File Nomenclature, the documents submitted by applicants shall be destroyed.

3. Terms

- 3.1. The date and time when applicants submit the documents to studies, shall be determined by RSU Rector’s decree.
- 3.2. The competition shall be concluded by announcing the results of the competition by RSU Admissions Committee 1 week after the deadline for registration of applicants or after the last examination (for admission to study programmes where they are specified as additional requirements).

4. Competition procedure

- 4.1. The State shall determine the total number of study places at the University which are funded from the state budget, while the University Senate shall set the amount of the tuition fee and the number of study places funded by natural

and legal persons. The distribution of study places among study programmes or specialisations shall be determined by the Rector's decree.

- 4.2. Applicants, whose submitted documents do not meet the requirements of the Regulations, or for whom RSU Admissions Committee has decided not to recognise the education document obtained abroad valid for further studies, or who have outstanding tuition fee debts or other material liabilities (recognised or disputed) to the University, shall not take part in the competition and shall not be admitted to the University.
- 4.3. The intended supervisor of the applicant's doctoral thesis (or two supervisors of the doctoral thesis) must have the right of an expert of the Latvian Council of Science in the science sector (sub-sector), in which the doctoral thesis will be developed. The rights of the expert must be valid throughout the period of the competition for applicants and **at least two months after the commencement of studies**. This requirement shall apply to both supervisors of the doctoral thesis, if they are two.
- 4.4. The Department of Doctoral Studies shall compile the documents submitted by applicants, organise the work of the entrance examination board, as provided for in the requirements of the relevant doctoral study programme, organise the appointment of reviewers, determine the time and procedure for the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis, as well as notify the applicants thereof.
- 4.5. Applicants' applications shall be evaluated according to the following criteria:
 - 4.5.1. Assessment of the research for the intended doctoral thesis:
 - 4.5.1.1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers on a scale from 1 to 20 points (**an average score of at least 8 points should be received**);
 - 4.5.1.2. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Committee on a scale from 1 to 20 points (**an average score of at least 8 points should be received**).
 - 4.5.2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken within the range from 0 to 50 points;
- 4.6. Criteria for the assessment of the scientific work undertaken by the applicant shall be the following:

- 4.6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (*Web of Science*, *SCOPUS*, *PubMed*, *ERIH+*, *EBSCO*, *Index Copernicus International*), and *Open access* publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant **is the first author** (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points;
- 4.6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases *Web of Science*, *SCOPUS*, *PubMed*, *ERIH+*, *EBSCO*, *Index Copernicus International* and *Open access* publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant **is a co-author** (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points;
- 4.6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points;
- 4.6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points;
- 4.6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points;
- 4.6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;
- 4.6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;
- 4.6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):
- 4.6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;

- 4.6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;
- 4.6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts) - 0.5 points;
- 4.6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;
- 4.6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;
- 4.6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;
- 4.6.12. Works as academic staff at RSU:
 - 4.6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;
 - 4.6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);
- 4.6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;
- 4.7. Reviewer's evaluation/assessment criteria (points as whole numbers):
 - 4.7.1. Topicality of the intended research and scientific novelty: 1 to 5 points;
 - 4.7.2. Scientific quality of the research proposal and compliance with the intended doctoral thesis: 1 to 5 points;
 - 4.7.3. Practical significance of the intended research: 1 to 5 points;
 - 4.7.4. Work completion options: 1 to 5 points.
- 4.8. Criteria for evaluation of the oral presentation of the intended doctoral thesis (points as whole numbers):
 - 4.8.1. Topicality of the intended research and scientific novelty: 1 to 5 points;

- 4.8.2. Scientific quality of the research proposal and compliance with the intended doctoral thesis: 1 to 5 points;
- 4.8.3. Practical significance of the intended research: 1 to 5 points;
- 4.8.4. Applicant's motivation and work completion options: 1 to 5 points.
- 4.9. Applicants are required to appear in person for the examinations having a passport or an identity card with them. Examinations shall be held in Latvian. Applicants who have not arrived for the examination at the specified time or have not taken their personal identity document, shall not participate in the further competition and shall not be admitted to RSU.
- 4.10. In case of equal total sum of points, the points obtained for the oral presentation of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis shall influence the competition.
- 4.11. According to the assessment results (the points obtained and the last two decimal places shall be taken into account), RSU Admissions Committee shall take a decision on the admission of the applicant to doctoral studies according to the procedure of the competition.
- 4.12. RSU Student Services shall announce the results of the competition no later than within three working days from the closing date of the competition by publishing them on RSU website www.rsu.lv. In case of contesting the results of the competition, RSU Student Services shall announce the decision of the Appeals Commission within the same time limit and in accordance with the same procedure.
- 4.13. Applicants who have not won the competition for state-funded study places in doctoral study programmes may apply for fee-based study places in the respective study programmes in accordance with the procedure and terms specified by RSU Admissions Committee.

5. Concluding the Study Contract and Matriculation

- 5.1. All applicants who have won the competition (if the results of the competition are not contested within the specified time period in accordance with the validated results of the competition; but, if contested, in accordance with the decision of the Appeals Commission) shall conclude the study contract with the University within the time period set by the Department of Doctoral Studies.
- 5.2. The applicant shall be matriculated after having concluded the study contract with the University and after having fulfilled the terms of the contract.

- 5.3. The applicant shall be matriculated in the University by RSU order.
- 5.4. The University may postpone or refuse matriculation, matriculate on condition or cancel matriculation, if the applicant or doctoral student, respectively, has already been studying in a state-funded study place.
- 5.5. The Department of Doctoral Studies shall prepare a decree for the approval of supervisors of doctoral thesis for the matriculated doctoral students.
- 5.6. Supervisors of doctoral thesis, for whom the total number of supervised doctoral students exceeds those specified in RSU internal laws and regulations¹, may not be nominated for approval. In such a case, the Head of the doctoral study programme shall nominate another supervisor of the doctoral thesis according to the topic area of the doctoral thesis.

6. Rights and Obligations of the Applicant and the University.

- 6.1. The applicant shall have the following obligations during the admission process:
 - 6.1.1. to submit and, in prescribed cases, present the documents specified in these Regulations and their respective Annex;
 - 6.1.2. to correctly fill in the documents specified by the University and to provide the University only with true information;
 - 6.1.3. to get acquainted with and to observe these Regulations and external laws and regulations governing admission;
 - 6.1.4. to comply with the time limits established in laws and regulations, as well as these Regulations and time limits set by RSU;
 - 6.1.5. to appear in person for the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis within the time period set by the Department of Doctoral Studies, taking a personal identity document;
 - 6.1.6. to settle financial responsibilities to the University;
 - 6.1.7. to fulfil other obligations specified in laws and regulations.
- 6.2. The University shall have the following obligations during the admission process:
 - 6.2.1. to ensure fair admission in accordance with laws and regulations;
 - 6.2.2. to provide applicants with information about study opportunities at the University, as well as their rights and obligations;

¹ 5 doctoral students and the time of approval of these Regulations.

- 6.2.3. to inform entrants about the number of state-funded study places at the University and the number of study places financed by private individuals and legal entities;
 - 6.2.4. to accept the documents submitted by applicants;
 - 6.2.5. to announce the results of the competition;
 - 6.2.6. to organise the conclusion of study contracts with the applicants who have won the competition;
 - 6.2.7. to organise matriculation of the applicants who have won the competition and concluded study contracts;
 - 6.2.8. to prevent discriminatory treatment of applicants;
 - 6.2.9. to fulfil other obligations specified in laws and regulations.
- 6.3. The obligations of the applicant and the University shall correspond to the relevant rights of the other party.

7. Contesting and appealing admission-related decisions

- 7.1. Within three working days after the notification of the assessment, the applicant shall be entitled to submit a written appeal to RSU Admissions Committee regarding the assessment received.
- 7.2. Within three working days upon receipt, appeals shall be considered by the Appeals Commission whose staff shall be prescribed by the Rector's decree.
- 7.3. The Appeals Commission shall invite the applicant to the consideration of appeals, and, at its discretion, it shall be entitled to invite other persons, for example, other applicants or other staff of RSU. The absence of the applicant shall not be the basis for postponing the meeting of the Appeals Commission.
- 7.4. The decision of the Appeals Commission shall be announced individually by electronic mail to the applicants who submitted the appeal.
- 7.5. The applicant may contest the decision of the Admission Committee regarding the results of the competition by submitting an application to the Rector of RSU within one month from the date of approval of the results or the date of notification of the decision, which is given to the applicant in writing at his/her request, regarding the refusal to matriculate this person in accordance with the procedure specified in the Administrative Procedure Law. The applicant may appeal the decision taken by the Rector of RSU to the court in accordance with the procedure specified in the Administrative Procedure Law [Paragraph 17 of the Cabinet Regulations No 846 of 10.10.2006].

8. Final Provisions

- 8.1. All the issues related to the admission to the University which are not regulated by the existing laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia or by the present Regulations shall be considered and decisions shall be taken by RSU Admission Committee.
- 8.2. The University shall place the information on study opportunities and admission in its premises and post on its website: www.rsu.lv. The applicant may also find the information about the admission process at RSU Information Centre, telephone: +371 67409105, e-mail: infocentrs@rsu.lv and at the Department of Doctoral Studies, telephone: 67409120; e-mail: dn@rsu.lv
- 8.3. These Regulations have the following Annexes:
- 8.3.1. 1. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Pharmacy” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.2. 2. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Medicine” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.3. 3. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Law” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.4. 4. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Communication Culture and Multimedia” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.5. 5. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Political Science” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.6. 6. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Psychology” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.7. 7. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Sociology” and Documents to be Submitted.
 - 8.3.8. 8. Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Management Science” and Documents to be Submitted.

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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Pharmacy” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Pharmacy</i>
2.	Direction	Health Care
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor’s degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master’s degree or the equivalent degree in pharmacy, chemistry, medicine, dentistry or biology, or a Master’s degree of engineering science in materials science
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant’s application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	The applicant’s application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master’s Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant’s curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points; 6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points;

		<p>6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):</p> <p>6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;</p> <p>6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts, for the last five years) - 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12. Work as academic staff at RSU:</p> <p>6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);</p> <p>6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;</p> <p>7. The supporting documents for the scientific activity should be attached in a scanned form in accordance with the above points; the documentation for each item being scanned in a single file, as broken down in paragraph 6 on scientific work undertaken.</p> <p>8. The payment for the registration of the application must be made electronically using the bank link specified in the system.</p> <p>9. The abstract of the intended doctoral thesis with the signatures of the applicant and the supervisor/supervisors of the doctoral thesis should be prepared according to the following pattern:</p> <p>9.1. Applicant's name and surname;</p> <p>9.2. Title of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.3. Supervisor (the second supervisor, scientific advisor, if any) of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.4. Place of conducting the research;</p> <p>9.5. Justification for the choice and topicality of the research topic;</p> <p>9.6. Research aim;</p> <p>9.7. Research objectives;</p> <p>9.8. Scientific assumptions or the research hypothesis/hypotheses;</p> <p>9.9. Structure of the draft research (research design);</p> <p>9.10. Methods for obtaining primary data or secondary data sources;</p> <p>9.11. Research completion deadlines for each year;</p> <p>9.12. Variables and parameters to be used for data analysis (only for quantitative studies);</p> <p>9.13. List of methods for data statistical analysis and justification for their choice;</p> <p>9.14. Cooperation partners of the research project - specialists, institutions, international researchers;</p> <p>9.15. Material and technical provision for research work;</p> <p>9.16. Scientific work undertaken (scientific publications <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u>; poster presentations in conferences, conference abstracts; participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u> or in relation to the work at RSU; traineeships or studies in foreign universities and research institutions);</p> <p>9.17. The length of the abstract shall be up to six pages.</p>
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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Medicine” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Medicine</i>
2.	Direction	Health Care
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor's degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master's degree in health care or the equivalent degree in medicine, dentistry, biology, biomedicine or pharmacy
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant's application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	The applicant's application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master's Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant's curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points; 6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points; 6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;

		<p>6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):</p> <p>6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;</p> <p>6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts, for the last five years) - 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12. Work as academic staff at RSU:</p> <p>6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);</p> <p>6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;</p> <p>7. The supporting documents for the scientific activity should be attached in a scanned form in accordance with the above points; the documentation for each item being scanned in a single file, as broken down in paragraph 6 on scientific work undertaken.</p> <p>8. The payment for the registration of the application must be made electronically using the bank link specified in the system.</p> <p>9. The abstract of the intended doctoral thesis with the signatures of the applicant and the supervisor/supervisors of the doctoral thesis should be prepared according to the following pattern:</p> <p>9.1. Applicant's name and surname;</p> <p>9.2. Title of the planned doctoral thesis (the sub-sector of medicine must be indicated (according to the division by the LCS), in which it is planned to defend the doctoral thesis);</p> <p>9.3. Supervisor (the second supervisor, scientific advisor, if any) of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.4. Place of conducting the research (confirmation, agreement with the place where the research will be conducted)</p> <p>9.5. Justification for the choice and topicality of the research topic;</p> <p>9.6. Research aim;</p> <p>9.7. Research objectives;</p> <p>9.8. Scientific assumptions or the research hypothesis/hypotheses;</p> <p>9.9. Structure of the draft research (research design);</p> <p>9.10. Methods for obtaining primary data or secondary data sources;</p> <p>9.11. Research completion deadlines for each year;</p> <p>9.12. Variables and parameters to be used for data analysis (only for quantitative studies);</p> <p>9.13. List of methods for data statistical analysis and justification for their choice;</p> <p>9.14. Cooperation partners of the research project - specialists, institutions, international researchers;</p> <p>9.15. Material and technical provision for research work;</p> <p>9.16. Scientific work undertaken (scientific publications <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u>; poster presentations in conferences, conference abstracts; participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u> or in relation to the work at RSU; traineeships or studies in foreign universities and research institutions);</p> <p>9.17. Authorisation from the Ethics Committee to conduct the research or a confirmation that it has been submitted for consideration;</p> <p>9.18. The length of the abstract shall be up to six pages.</p>
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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Law” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Law</i>
2.	Direction	Legal Science
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor's degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master's degree in legal sciences or corresponding higher education. The applicant who has a Master's degree or corresponding higher education in another speciality, must take an examination in theory of law and in the study course of the chosen specialisation. The applicant shall take the entrance examination in agreement with the Head of the programme. The entrance examination shall be held in front of the committee consisting of at least three members. The entrance examination shall be assessed as pass or fail. The assessment of the entrance examination shall not be included in the sum of the admission criteria.
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant's application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	The applicant's application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master's Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant's curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points;

		<p>6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points;</p> <p>6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):</p> <p>6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;</p> <p>6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts, for the last five years) - 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12. Work as academic staff at RSU:</p> <p>6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);</p> <p>6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;</p> <p>7. The supporting documents for the scientific activity should be attached in a scanned form in accordance with the above points; the documentation for each item being scanned in a single file, as broken down in paragraph 6 on scientific work undertaken.</p> <p>8. The payment for the registration of the application must be made electronically using the bank link specified in the system.</p> <p>9. The abstract of the intended doctoral thesis with the signatures of the applicant and the supervisor/supervisors of the doctoral thesis should be prepared according to the following pattern:</p> <p>9.1. Applicant's name and surname;</p> <p>9.2. Title of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.3. Supervisor (the second supervisor, scientific advisor, if any) of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.4. Place of conducting the research (confirmation, agreement with the place where the research will be conducted)</p> <p>9.5. Justification for the choice and topicality of the research topic;</p> <p>9.6. Research aim;</p> <p>9.7. Research objectives;</p> <p>9.8. Novelty of the research work and a review (analysis) of earlier analogous research (publications);</p> <p>9.9. Scientific assumptions or the research hypothesis /hypotheses or the research question/questions;</p> <p>9.10. Research methods and methods for interpretation of legal provisions, justification for their choice;</p> <p>9.11. Type of the research design, longitudinal design, indicative grouping, task completion deadlines for each year;</p> <p>9.12. Cooperation partners of the research project - specialists, institutions, international researchers;</p> <p>9.13. Scientific work undertaken <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u>; poster presentations in conferences, conference abstracts; participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u> or in relation to the work at RSU; traineeships or studies in foreign universities and research institutions);</p> <p>9.14. The length of the abstract shall be up to six pages.</p>
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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Communication Culture and Multimedia” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Communication Culture and Multimedia</i>
2.	Direction	Information and Communication Sciences
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor's degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master's degree in social sciences, humanities, education or natural sciences or the equivalent degree thereto
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant's application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	The applicant's application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master's Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant's curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points; 6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points; 6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;

		<p>6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):</p> <p>6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;</p> <p>6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts, for the last five years) - 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12. Work as academic staff at RSU:</p> <p>6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);</p> <p>6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;</p> <p>7. The supporting documents for the scientific activity should be attached in a scanned form in accordance with the above points; the documentation for each item being scanned in a single file, as broken down in paragraph 6 on scientific work undertaken.</p> <p>8. The payment for the registration of the application must be made electronically using the bank link specified in the system.</p> <p>9. The abstract of the intended doctoral thesis with the signatures of the applicant and the supervisor/supervisors of the doctoral thesis should be prepared according to the following pattern:</p> <p>9.1. Applicant's name and surname;</p> <p>9.2. Title of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.3. Supervisor (the second supervisor, scientific advisor, if any) of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.4. Place of conducting the research (confirmation, agreement with the place where the research will be conducted)</p> <p>9.5. Justification for the choice and topicality of the research topic;</p> <p>9.6. Scientific novelty of the research;</p> <p>9.7. Research aim;</p> <p>9.8. Research objectives;</p> <p>9.9. Scientific assumptions or the research hypothesis/hypotheses;</p> <p>9.10. Theoretical basis for the research work;</p> <p>9.11. Methods for obtaining primary data or secondary data sources;</p> <p>9.12. Data analysis methods; justification for their choice;</p> <p>9.13. Deadlines for completion of research tasks for each year;</p> <p>9.14. Potential cooperation partners of the research project - specialists, institutions, international researchers;</p> <p>9.15. Scientific work undertaken (scientific publications <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u>; poster presentations in conferences, conference abstracts; participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u> or in relation to the work at RSU; traineeships or studies in foreign universities and research institutions);</p> <p>9.16. The length of the abstract shall be up to six pages.</p>
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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Political Science” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Political Science</i>
2.	Direction	Sociology, Politics and Anthropology
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor’s degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master’s degree in social sciences or humanities or an equivalent degree thereto
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant’s application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	The applicant’s application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master’s Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant’s curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points; 6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points;

		<p>6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):</p> <p>6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;</p> <p>6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts, for the last five years) - 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12. Work as academic staff at RSU:</p> <p>6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);</p> <p>6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;</p> <p>7. The supporting documents for the scientific activity should be attached in a scanned form in accordance with the above points; the documentation for each item being scanned in a single file, as broken down in paragraph 6 on scientific work undertaken.</p> <p>8. The payment for the registration of the application must be made electronically using the bank link specified in the system.</p> <p>9. The abstract of the intended doctoral thesis with the signatures of the applicant and the supervisor/supervisors of the doctoral thesis should be prepared according to the following pattern:</p> <p>9.1. Applicant's name and surname;</p> <p>9.2. Title of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.3. Supervisor (the second supervisor, scientific advisor, if any) of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.4. Place of conducting the research (confirmation, agreement with the place where the research will be conducted)</p> <p>9.5. Justification for the choice and topicality of the research topic;</p> <p>9.6. Scientific novelty of the research;</p> <p>9.7. Research aim;</p> <p>9.8. Research objectives;</p> <p>9.9. Scientific assumptions or the research hypothesis/hypotheses;</p> <p>9.10. Theoretical basis for the research work;</p> <p>9.11. Research methods and selection criteria for the material to be studied;</p> <p>9.12. Material and technical provision required for the research work;</p> <p>9.13. Possible cooperation with foreign researchers in the course of the research project;</p> <p>9.14. Scientific work undertaken (scientific publications <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u>; poster presentations in conferences, conference abstracts; participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u> or in relation to the work at RSU; traineeships or studies in foreign universities and research institutions);</p> <p>9.15. The length of the abstract shall be up to six pages.</p>
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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral study Programme “Psychology” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Psychology</i>
2.	Direction	Psychology
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor's degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	<p>Higher education: a Master's degree in psychology or a corresponding higher education diploma in social sciences and behavioural sciences or health care or social welfare, or teacher education and education sciences or the humanities.</p> <p>The applicant who has not obtained a Master's or Bachelor's degree in psychology, in addition must take the examination in basic sectors of psychology: general (cognitive) psychology; developmental psychology; personality psychology; social psychology; clinical psychology; health psychology. The applicant shall take the entrance examination in agreement with the Head of the programme. The entrance examination shall be held in front of the committee consisting of at least three members. The entrance examination shall be assessed as pass or fail. The assessment of the entrance examination shall not be included in the sum of the admission criteria.</p>
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	<p>Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant's application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	<p>The applicant's application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master's Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant's curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents:

		<p>confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points;</p> <p>6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points;</p> <p>6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.7. Scientific publications that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions (supporting documents: copies of publication or proof of acceptance for publication, publications for the last five years) – 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.8. Scientific activity in conferences (points are not added for the activity of the same content, but the highest number of points is awarded in the relevant criterion):</p> <p>6.8.1. Presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the conference programme, for the last five years) - 1.5 points;</p> <p>6.8.2. Poster presentations in conferences on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the poster presentation, for the last five years) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.8.3. Conference abstracts on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of the abstracts, for the last five years) - 0.5 points;</p> <p>6.9. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) and other higher education institutions on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.10. Participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 0.5 points for 1 year of participation;</p> <p>6.11. Participation in research projects with external funding for the implementation of research at RSU (supporting documents: a letter of approval from the project manager) - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12. Work as academic staff at RSU:</p> <p>6.12.1. 1 to 5 years - 1 point;</p> <p>6.12.2. 5 years and more - 2 points (supporting documents: a statement from the employer);</p> <p>6.13. Work / traineeships / studies in foreign universities and research institutions in connection with the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: a statement from the employer, higher education institution, research institution) - 0.1 points per 1 month;</p> <p>7. The supporting documents for the scientific activity should be attached in a scanned form in accordance with the above points; the documentation for each item being scanned in a single file, as broken down in paragraph 6 on scientific work undertaken.</p> <p>8. The payment for the registration of the application must be made electronically using the bank link specified in the system.</p> <p>9. The abstract of the intended doctoral thesis with the signatures of the applicant and the supervisor/supervisors of the doctoral thesis should be prepared according to the following pattern:</p> <p>9.1. Applicant's name and surname;</p> <p>9.2. Title of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.3. Supervisor (the second supervisor, scientific advisor, if any) of the intended doctoral thesis;</p> <p>9.4. Justification for the choice and topicality of the research topic;</p> <p>9.5. Scientific novelty of the research;</p> <p>9.6. Research aim;</p> <p>9.7. Research objectives;</p> <p>9.8. Scientific assumptions, research questions or a research hypothesis/-es;</p> <p>9.9. Theoretical basis for the research work;</p> <p>9.10. Methods for obtaining primary data or secondary data sources;</p> <p>9.11. Data analysis methods; justification for their choice;</p> <p>9.12. Deadlines for completion of research tasks for each year;</p> <p>9.13. Potential cooperation partners of the research project - specialists, institutions, international researchers;</p> <p>9.14. Scientific work undertaken (scientific publications <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u>; poster presentations in conferences, conference abstracts; participation in international research projects and research projects of the LCS, RSU and other higher education institutions <u>on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis</u> or in relation to the work at RSU; traineeships or studies in foreign universities and research institutions);</p> <p>9.15. The length of the abstract shall be up to six pages.</p>
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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Sociology” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Sociology</i>
2.	Direction	Sociology, Politics and Anthropology
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor's degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master's degree in social sciences or humanities or an equivalent degree thereto
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
9.	Documents to be attached to the applicant's application in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv	The applicant's application should be filled in RSU Admission System https://uznemsana.rsu.lv and the information required therein should be completed and the following electronic document files should be attached: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport or identity card (both sides of the eID). 2. Photograph (for student ID). 3. Master's Diploma or the equivalent Diploma and Diploma Supplement. 4. A signed applicant's curriculum vitae (CV), including ORCID ID, a list of scientific publications, traineeships in foreign universities, research institutions and employment relationships related to doctoral studies. 5. A signed curriculum vitae (CV) of the supervisor (supervisors) of the doctoral thesis, indicating the number of scientific publications for the last 5 years, the number of doctoral students who have obtained an academic degree, the term of the status of the LCS expert and ORCID ID. 6. Scientific work <u>undertaken</u>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1. Scientific publications included in international databases (Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International), and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is the first author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 3 points; 6.2. Scientific publications included in international databases Web of Science, SCOPUS, PubMed, ERIH+, EBSCO, Index Copernicus International and Open access publications on the intended topic area of the doctoral thesis, if the applicant is a co-author (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publication, publications of the last five years) – 2.5 points; 6.3. Collective monographs on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation/ a copy certifying it) - 2.5 points; 6.4. Collective monographs that are not related to the topic area of the doctoral thesis (supporting documents: confirmation / a copy certifying it) - 2 points; 6.5. Scientific articles on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis in peer-reviewed editions in Latvia and abroad (supporting documents: copies of articles or proof of acceptance for publication, articles for the last five years) – 2 points; 6.6. Publications in an unrefereed scientific edition in Latvia on the topic area of the intended doctoral thesis (supporting documents: copies of publications or proof of acceptance for publishing) - 1 point;

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Requirements for Admission to the Doctoral Study Programme “Management Science” and Documents to be Submitted

1.	Study programme	<i>Management Science</i>
2.	Direction	Management, Administration and Real Estate Management
3.	Qualification to be obtained	A doctor’s degree or evidence of having completed a doctoral study programme
4.	Duration of studies	3 years
5.	Type of studies	Full-time studies
6.	Previously completed education required for admission to the study programme	Higher education: a Master’s degree in social sciences, economics, business studies, management science, labour protection or an equivalent degree thereto Persons having obtained a Master’s degree in kindred sciences (demography, political science, sociology and law), as well as, in exceptional cases, persons who have obtained a Master’s degree in other sectors or an equivalent academic degree thereto, if they have at least two years of work experience in the field of economics, business or entrepreneurship and if they pass an entrance examination in management science, may also be admitted to doctoral studies.
7.	Additional requirements for admission	Oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis
8.	Assessment criteria of the competition	Applicants shall be matriculated according to the results of the competition, which consist of the sum of the following criteria: 1. Assessment of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by two reviewers; 2. Assessment of the scientific work undertaken; 3. Assessment of the oral defence of the abstract for the intended doctoral thesis by the Oral Defence Committee.
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