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**A P P L I C A T I O N**

for enrolment of applicants to the doctoral study of kinesiology for acquiring the academic level of **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY** in the scientific area of social sciences, scientific field of kinesiology in the academic year 2025/2026 (program will be conducted in English according to the Study plan and program issued 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019)

**I. ENROLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

**1. To the postgraduate doctoral study of kinesiology, the following applicants can be enrolled:**

- a)  
applicants who completed the graduate university study of kinesiology, with a minimum grade point average of 3.5 in all exams passed during the undergraduate and graduate study and with active knowledge of the English language.
- b)  
applicants who completed another related graduate university study (in the field of medicine, psychology, anthropology or educational-rehabilitation sciences) under identical conditions as applicants who completed the study of kinesiology, i.e. without taking qualification exams.
- c)  
applicants who completed another graduate university study, upon meeting identical general requirements as applicants who completed the study of kinesiology, with the provision that during the enrolment procedure the Committee for Doctoral Studies shall for each applicant individually, depending on the completed study, determine the required qualification exams that such an applicant shall be required to pass. The Committee for Doctoral Studies can determine for each applicant individually, depending on the graduate study previously completed by the applicant and the chosen area of his/her research, only one joint exam in terms of required qualification exams. This joint qualification exam can comprise selected topics in no more than three courses in a specific area (courses in biomedical or social sciences, or general kinesiology courses). During the enrolment procedure such applicants shall be informed on which modules they shall be able to choose, as well as the ones they will not. The Committee for Doctoral Studies can deny enrolment in the study to applicants who, on the basis of scientific interest, shall be determined as candidates who should pass too many qualification exams or if their field of scientific interest is not in compliance with the field of kinesiology.

**2. Enrolment quota and the ranking list production procedure:**

Enrolment of applicants to the postgraduate doctoral study is performed pursuant to the ranking list of priority for enrolment to the study and conducted interviews with applicants. In accordance with the above-mentioned, a ranking list of priority for enrolment to the study is produced for all the applied candidates, based on the following determined Criteria for ranking applicants for enrolment to the postgraduate doctoral study:

**a) Elimination criteria:**

- minimum grade point average of 3.5 on the undergraduate and graduate university study <sup>1</sup>
- knowledge of the English language <sup>2</sup>
- the interview with the applicant can be basis for elimination from the remaining part of the application procedure in case it is determined that the applicant does not have a clearly defined direction of research or if the desired research direction is not within the area of competence of the mentor at the Faculty of Kinesiology

**b) The ranking list of applicants** who meet the elimination criteria will be created according to the overall number of points acquired, as follows:

- achieved grade point average at the undergraduate and graduate study (a maximum of 100 points);
- scientific activity (a maximum of 50 points);
- other activities (a maximum of 20 points).

**QUOTA:** up to 5 applicants

The criteria for ranking of applicants for enrolment to the doctoral study are determined in the Annex.

## II. ORGANIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STUDY

**Participation costs for the study for the first** academic year 2025/26 are 2.600,00 EUR and all participants must additionally pay the administrative fee for program in English according to the Faculty rules.

## III. APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT TO THE STUDY

Applications for enrolment in the first enrolment deadline shall be accepted **until 12 September 2025**. Upon receiving the applications, analysis of the applications and reception interviews, the ranking of candidates shall be conducted.

In addition to the application for enrolment, applicants are required to attach the following:

- short curriculum vitae;
- degree on the completed university graduate study (recognized by University of Zagreb); the process of recognition might be needed (if the study is conducted in two levels, final documents of the undergraduate and graduate studies and any differentiated program)
- certified grade transcript from all courses at the undergraduate and graduate study with a stated grade point average and period of study
- appropriate proof of active knowledge of English
- one photograph 4x6 cm
- proof of nationality (for foreigners a copy of the passport)
- and all other required documentation for earning points for enrolment to the study
- confirmation of payment of the fee for conducting the classification procedure in the amount of 80 euros, which is paid to the account IBAN: HR45 2402 0061 1009 4834 5; reference number: 70106-PIN OF APPLICANT; model: HR69

All information related to the enrolment of the next generation of students can be obtained at the Student Office for Postgraduate Studies, at the official website of the Faculty of Kinesiology [www.kif.hr](http://www.kif.hr), or by e-mail: [dkamenar@kif.hr](mailto:dkamenar@kif.hr).

By submitting the application, the applicants agree that the Faculty of Kinesiology University of Zagreb, will be collecting personal data and use it in further process needed for enrolment and study in accordance with positive regulations on personal data protection.

<sup>1</sup> The grade point average is calculated by including all grades achieved at undergraduate studies, university graduate studies and any distinction exams.

<sup>2</sup> it is considered that applicants meet the required condition of active knowledge of the English language if they have a certificate for active knowledge of English (minimum B2 level of a foreign language completed from a foreign language school)

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**APPLICATION ANNEX**

for enrolment of applicants to the doctoral study of kinesiology for acquiring the academic level of **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY** in the scientific area of social sciences, scientific field of kinesiology in the academic year 2025/2026

In relation to paragraph 2. of the Application for enrolment of applicants to the postgraduate doctoral study of kinesiology in the academic year 2025/26, here below are

**Criteria for the ranking of applicants for enrolment to the postgraduate doctoral study:**

**a) Elimination criteria:**

- **minimum grade point average** of 3.5 on the undergraduate and graduate university study
- **knowledge of the English language** as the interview and the study will be performed in English
- for the **interview**, applicants are required to prepare a brief explanation of the topic in which they are interested in and the name of the mentor who shall be supervising them during the study. The template for the *Research design* is in attachment and it is a part of this Application. The interview with the applicant can be basis for elimination from the remaining part of the application procedure in case it is determined that the applicant does not have a clearly defined direction of research or if the desired research direction is not within the area of competence of the mentor at the Faculty of Kinesiology (with whom the applicant plans to work with)\*

**b) The ranking list for students who meet the elimination criteria is produced according to the overall number of points acquired, as follows:**

- **points for study grade point average (a maximum of 100 points):**  
points for study grade point average = grade point average \* K \* 20 where:  
K = 1: within one year after completing the study  
K = 0,9: more than one, but less than two years after completing the study  
K = 0,8: more than two years after completing the study
- **scientific activity (a maximum of 50 points):**
  1. scientific paper published in CC, SSCI and SCI journals  
- 25 points up to 3 authors, 12.5 points 4 and 5 authors, more than 5 authors 25/x
  2. scientific paper published in other magazines  
- 15 points up to 3 authors, 7.5 points 4 and 5 authors, more than 5 authors 15/x
  3. scientific paper published in conference proceedings of international conferences  
- 10 points up to 3 authors, 5 points 4 and 5 authors, more than 5 authors 10/x
  4. scientific paper published in conference proceedings of national conferences  
- 5 points up to 3 authors, 2,5 points 4 and 5 authors, more than 5 authors 5/x
  5. specialist master thesis  
- 15 points (if the master thesis at the specialist study is of the experimental type 25 points)
  6. Rector's award  
- 10 points
  7. experimental graduate thesis  
- 5 points
- **other activities (a maximum of 20 points):**
  - a) sports status
    1. top athlete of the 1<sup>st</sup> category - 15 points
    2. top athlete of the 2<sup>nd</sup> category - 10 points
    3. top athlete of the 3<sup>rd</sup> category - 5 points
  - b) studying abroad  
(over a minimum period of one semester) - 5 points
  - c) second foreign language - 5 points

**\* Interview evaluation criteria:**

1. does not have a topic and/or a mentor and/or preliminary draft of the research, does not know how to answer the committee's questions regarding his own draft - does not meet the elimination criteria

*2. a clearly elaborated draft and successfully answering questions during the interview, showing that he has clear scientific thinking and knowledge of the areas and references he mentioned, he has a mentor - 10-15 points*