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By Resolution No. (1.2.) 150000-TP-6-10 of 21 May 2020 of the Council of the Faculty of Medicine of Vilnius University,

REGULATIONS FOR GRANTING A NAMED SCHOLARSHIP

OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS
2. The Regulations for Granting a Named Scholarship of the Faculty of Medicine to students of Vilnius University (hereinafter – Regulations) regulate the procedure for granting a named scholarship of the Faculty of Medicine (hereinafter – Scholarship) and the criteria for the selection of the candidates for the Scholarship (hereinafter – Candidates).
3. The scholarship is established by the Faculty of Medicine (hereinafter –Founder) on its own initiative. It shall be paid from the Founder’s own funds.
4. These Regulations are prepared on the basis of the regulations for granting scholarships of Vilnius University and are consistent with them.
5. The aim of the Scholarship is to provide an incentive to students of the Faculty of Medicine of Vilnius University (hereinafter – University) in integrated, Bachelor’s and Master’s study programmes for very high research achievements.
6. The scholarship is a one-time scholarship in the amount is EUR 1000 (one thousand euro). It is paid in the spring semester. The number of students receiving the Scholarship depends on the amount of funds allocated by the Founder in that year.
7. PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING THE SCHOLARSHIP AND

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR THE CANDIDATES

1. The competition for the award of the Scholarship (hereinafter – Competition) shall be announced in the spring semester. Information about the Competition and other relevant information about the Scholarship shall be provided on the University’s internet site and/or on the Founder’s internet site, and also on the University’s and the Founder’s Facebook accounts. The information may also be published in the University’s and/or the Founder’s newsletters.
2. Students may participate in the Competition, if they meet the following criteria:
   1. Students in their 3-4 year of study in the first cycle, in all years of study in the second cycle and in their 3-6 year of study in the integrated study programmes whose academic performance is good;
   2. Students whose weighted average grade for the courses in the last two semesters is higher than 9;
   3. Students with very high educational achievements of the national or international significance.
3. The Candidates must submit the following documents to the to the Research, Innovation and Doctoral Studies Department by the date specified in the announcement:

8.1 An application to grant the Scholarship (Annex 1); documents proving the Candidate’s achievements in research activities: the weighted average grade for the courses in the last two semesters, a list of scientific publications for the previous calendar year (students in their year 6 of studies – for the previous and current year) and copies of the articles (published in collections of research papers, peer-reviewed scientific journals, science publications, etc.). Where an article has not yet been published in a journal, a statement from the editor-in-chief confirming that the article has been accepted for publication shall be provided. Information about participation in student research activities (titles of presentations, conferences, runners-up, etc.).

8.2 Certificates on the study achievements and, if the student has completed Bachelor’s degree programme in biomedical science, copies of the Bachelor’s degree and its supplement.

1. The evaluation committee (hereinafter – Committee) shall be set up for granting the Scholarship by the order of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of Vilnius University. The Commission shall consist of the representatives of the administration of the Founder, the representatives of the subunits of the areas of science and the Student Representation.
2. No additional remuneration to the members of the Committee for their work shall be provided.
3. Within five business days from the receipt of the applications from the Candidates, the Committee shall assess the information about the Candidate achievements and shall select the Candidates for the Scholarship with the highest scores according to the following criteria:
   1. Scientific achievements of the student –winner of 1st-3rd places in the world, European or national scientific competitions (Table 11.1);

Table 11.1: Scores awarded for the 1st-3rd places in scientific competitions.

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| **winner of THE 1st-3rd places in the world, European or national scientific competitions** | | Score |
| 1. | Winner of the 1st place in the world or European scientific competitions | 20 |
| 2. | Winner of the 2nd place in the world or European scientific competitions | 15 |
| 3. | Winner of the 3rd place in the w world or European scientific competitions | 10 |
| 4. | Winner of the 1st place in the national scientific competition | 10 |
| 5. | Winner of the 2nd place in the national scientific competition | 7 |
| 6. | Winner of the 3rd place in the national scientific competition | 5 |

11.2 Scientific achievements of the student – scientific publications (Table 11.2), where the student is one three first co-authors;

Table 11.2: Scores awarded for scientific publications.

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| ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS AND SINGLE ISSUE SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS | | **Score** |
| 7. | Article in the Clarivate Analytics Web of Science database publications with an impact factor | 25 |
| 8. | Article in the Clarivate Analytics Web of Science database publications without an impact factor | 20 |
| 9. | Article referenced in other international database publications (MEDLINE, EBSCO, Scopus, PubMed, etc.) | 15 |
| 10. | Article in other publications | 10 |
| 11. | Conference paper theses in the Clarivate Analytics Web of Science database publications | 15 |
| 12. | Conference paper theses in other publications referred to in international databases | 10 |

11.3 Scientific achievements of the student – participation in conferences and congresses (Table 11.3);

Table 11.3: Scores awarded for the participation in conferences and congresses.

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| PRESENTATIONS AT CONGRESSES AND CONFERENCES | | Score |
| 13. | A presentation made at an international medical congress | 15 |
| 14. | A presentation made at an international medical conference | 14 |
| 15. | A poster presentation made at an international medical congress | 13 |
| 16. | A poster presentation made at an international medical conference | 12 |
| 17. | A presentation made at an international student research medical congress | 14 |
| 18. | A presentation made at an international student research conference | 13 |
| 19. | A poster presentation made at an international student research congress | 11 |
| 20. | A poster presentation made at an international student research conference | 10 |
| 21. | Research paper by the Student Research Network (SRN) (Student Scientific Society) published in the book of presentation theses and presented at the conference (VU MF SRN, Student Scientific Society of the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences) | 7 |
| 22. | A presentation made at a local medical conference | 8 |
| 23. | A poster presentation made at a local medical conference | 5 |
| 24. | A presentation made at other medical and health science student congresses/conferences | 5 |
| Additional score | | |
| 25. | Runner-up at an international medical congress/conference | 10 |
| 26. | Runner-up at a congress/conference | 5 |

1. Scientific achievements of the student: inventions, patent co-authors at European Patent Office (EPO), the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) or the Japanese Patent Office (JPO) – 20 points.
2. Active participation in study publicity activities (visits to schools, participation in study fairs, organizing events for schoolchildren, where the student participated in these activities at least 10 times during the evaluation period) – 5 points. The records of the student activities shall be kept by the study department of the Founder.
3. The decision of the Committee shall be taken by a simple majority and shall be documented in a protocol signed by all members of the Commune who have assessed the Candidates.
4. PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP
5. Pursuant to the Committee’s recommendation, the Scholarship is granted to the student by the order of the Rector or the designated Vice-Rector and payment of the Scholarship shall be made to the personal bank account of the recipient of the Scholarship.
6. The Scholarship shall not be paid or its payment shall be terminated if the recipient of the Scholarship has at least one debt/academic debt; terminates or suspends studies or takes an academic leave; is expelled from the University; or a penalty is imposed on the student provided in the University’s study regulations for violations of the University’s legal acts.
7. In any case provided for in Paragraph 15 of the Regulations, the granting or payment of the Scholarship shall be terminated by order of the Rector or designated Vice-Rector on the recommendation of the head of the unit.
8. Upon termination of the payment of the Scholarship, the question as to the use of the remaining cash shall be decided by the Founder.
9. The recipients of the Scholarship receive certificates confirming the receipt of the Scholarship.
10. Students may receive the Scholarship for the same achievements only once.
11. The recipients of the Scholarship may receive other scholarships provided for in state or other national or University legal acts.
12. FINAL PROVISIONS
13. The Regulations shall take effect when they are approved in accordance with the procedure set out in the legal acts of the University.