

I. PhD programme of study named *Earth and Environmental Sciences* in the discipline of Earth and Environmental Sciences, conducted in Polish

Formal requirements for entering the admission procedure

Candidates eligible for admission to the *Earth and Environmental Sciences* programme of study at the Doctoral School of Exact and Natural Sciences are the holders of *Magister*, *Magister inżynier*, or equivalent professional title awarded in the field of exact and natural sciences.

In exceptional cases, given the outstanding quality of candidate's academic achievements, a person referred to in Article 186 of the Act who does not hold a *Magister* title, who has completed the undergraduate (first-cycle) programme, or who has completed the third year of long-cycle graduate programme but holds the status of student of a programme in the field indicated above or has graduated from a programme in that field, may also apply for admission to the programme.

In order to confirm the fulfilment of the condition referred to in Article 186, section 2 of the Act, the candidate shall be obliged to submit:

1. two opinions confirming the high quality of the research work carried out and the high level of advancement of such work, issued by academic tutors holding at least the postdoctoral degree or being employees of a foreign university or scientific institution who have significant achievements in scientific issues related to the curriculum, or
2. a certificate of being a beneficiary of the "Diamond Grant" programme of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education.

Whether the candidate meets the condition referred to in Article 186 section 2 of the Act shall be decided by the Director in consultation with the chair of the committee.

Qualification criteria

Candidates are placed on the ranking list in order determined by the interview result. The interview focuses on candidate's research interests, knowledge in the area of the proposed research, and their motivation for undertaking education at the Doctoral School.

To be admitted to the program, candidate has to obtain at least 51.00 points.

Admission procedure

As a result of the interview, the candidate is awarded points (from 0 to 100 points). The interview may be conducted by separate committees in the area of physical geography and in the field of geological sciences. A separate ranking list is prepared for each of these fields. Candidates who receive a minimum of 51.00 points as a result of an interview are placed on the lists.

Final result calculation

Candidates are placed on the ranking list in order determined by their interview result. Based on the ranking lists (separate for physical geography and geological sciences) and on the number of places available, list of candidates admitted to the program is established. Other candidates who were awarded 51.00 points or more are placed on waiting lists, separately for physical geography and geological sciences.