

**Announcement of the UL Vice-Rector
for internationalisation of Science and Education
of 14 July 2026**

**on: issuance of doctoral student identification cards in University of Lodz
doctoral schools**

Pursuant to: Article 23.1 and 208.4-6 of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws, year 2024, item 1571, amended) it is decided as follows:

§ 1

Following the entry into force of regulations that enable the issuance of doctoral student identification cards (hereinafter: ID cards) in the form of a mobile document within the mObywatel application, as of 30 June 2026, the doctoral student ID card shall be issued in the following form:

- 1) a mobile document within the mObywatel application, following the authentication of the doctoral student using the basic certificate referred to in the Act on the mObywatel Application;
- 2) an electronic smart card:
 - a) for doctoral students who are not Polish citizens;
 - b) upon the doctoral student's request.

§ 2

1. Doctoral students who wish to obtain or continue to use their doctoral ID card in the form of an electronic smart card, are to submit the request referred to in clauses 2-3.
2. The request shall be submitted by sending a message from the UL institutional email account to the email address of the secretary of the appropriate doctoral school. The call for requests is continuous, and a request may be submitted at any time.

3. The email shall clearly indicate the doctoral student's intention to obtain a doctoral student ID card in the form of an electronic smart card or to continue using a previously issued ID card in that form.

§ 3

1. Doctoral students who are not Polish citizens are entitled to receive a doctoral student ID card in the form of an electronic smart card.
2. At the same time, doctoral students who are not Polish citizens and meet the requirements for using the mObywatel application may also use the mobile document in accordance with the applicable regulations.

§ 4

1. Doctoral students who do not intend to use a doctoral student ID card being an electronic smart card shall not be required to submit a separate request for the issuance of a doctoral student identification card in the form of a mobile document.
2. The identification card in the form of a mobile document shall be made available in accordance with the rules set out in the regulations governing the operation of the mObywatel mobile application.
3. Failure to submit the application referred to in Section 2 shall mean that the doctoral student uses the doctoral student identification card made available in the form of a mobile document in the mObywatel mobile application, provided that the doctoral student meets the requirements for using the said mobile application.

§ 5

1. Doctoral student ID cards in the form of electronic smart cards issued before the entry into force of the present Announcement shall remain valid under the existing rules until the expiry of their validity period, as determined in accordance with the applicable regulations.
2. Doctoral students holding a valid ID card in the form of an electronic smart card shall not be required to apply for the issuance of a new identification card solely due to the introduction of the possibility of using the identification card in the form of a mobile document.

§ 6

The ID card may be issued and used simultaneously in the form of a mobile document and in the form of an electronic smart card. Holding one form of the identification card shall not affect the right to hold and use the other form.

§ 7

The validity of a doctoral student identification card in the form of a mobile document shall be extended on the basis of data transmitted to the POL-on system. Doctoral students using the mobile identification card shall not be required to take any additional steps in order to extend its validity.

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