Admission procedure for international students to full-time 1st, 2nd and long-cycle studies in English for the academic year 2023/2024



If you come from abroad and you have a different nationality than Polish – you can find here the most important information on how to apply and what documents you need to do it.

A website www.rekrutacja.uni.lodz.pl is **dedicated to people who can study in Poland under the same conditions as Polish citizens**. That means that full-time studies in Polish are free of charge, but for part-time studies or studies in English tuition fee applies. The amount of payment is given in description of each programme.

If you have Pole's Card (Karta Polaka), decision of Polish origins, a permanent residence card or EU long-term residence, national certificate of Polish proficiency at C1 level, you have been granted refugee status or a subsidiary protection in Poland, you are a citizen of one of the European Union or EFTA countries or a family member of a migrant worker living in Poland – you are on the right website. More details about study possibilities under those rules can be found in the Polish legal act *Law about higher education (article 323 and 324).* If you are not sure if you have rights to study on the same terms as Polish citizens do – you can always contact International Relations Office (IRO: admission@uni.lodz.pl).

The gen. Anders scholarship holders shall register in IRK system www.rekrutacja.uni.lodz.pl.

Candidates applying for studies as holders of <u>Stefan Banach scholarship</u>, <u>Konstanty</u> <u>Kalinowski scholarship</u>, other programmes or those who are exempted from tuition fees shall go to **another admission platform:** <u>www.admission.uni.lodz.pl</u>.

If you do not have documents from the list above – **you can study only on tuition fee basis**. Please go to: <u>another admission platform</u> for more information. The tuition fee for studies at the University of Lodz is about 1500-3500 EUR per year depending on the field of study.

How to start

Firstly you have to register in our on-line application system (IRK). Please, be aware that your name and surname must be written as it is in your international passport. After that you have to **choose the study field**. You have to **pay the recruitment fee with amount of 85 PLN** per every programme you are applying for.

After you pay the recruitment fee and your school-leaving certificate is issued abroad you have to remember to finish your application by uploading documents – you can do this in the step no. 1.

Grades from the foreign secondary school (maturity) certificate are converted into "old" maturity scale grades and then into a percentage score. Results from high school leaving certificate/attestat/svidoctvo/other are recognized as the basic level and results obtained on the national examinations (CT/ZNO/MT/EGE/ENT/SAT/other) as the advanced level. Lack of results obtained in the national examinations does not disqualify the candidate, but gives points only at the basic level.

Documents that must be upload in the system:

1. school-leaving certificate, results of national exams/ diploma with transcript of records;

2. polish translation of school-leaving certificate, results of national exams/ diploma with transcript of records;

3. document which allows to study under same rules as Polish citizens (Pole's Card, confirmation of Polish origins, permanent residence card, document granting refugee status or temporary protection, EU national ID, other);

4. an English proficiency certificate at B2 level from the <u>list of certificates</u> acceptable by the UL.

Due to necessity of converting grades from your school certificates and national exams/diplomas we kindly ask to **upload documents as soon as possible** (latest until the last day of recruitment, until 12:00 CET). Please inform IRO that documents have been uploaded in system by massage in the admission platform or e-mail.

The UL indicates and converts grades form high school leaving certificate and national excams/diploma obtained abroad. Recalculated grades are put in the IRK system. Please note that in order apply for some programmes, grade from Polish language in high school certificate is required. In addition a candidate is required to have subjects listed in category 1 and 2 on his/her school certificate.

I am in! - what's next?

If after recruitment process you can see in your account an information that you are **qualified** to study at UL you must **deliver the documents** listed below as soon as possible **to International Relations Office** (until the date written in recruitment schedule):

1. singed application form for appropriate programme printed out from the IRK online enrolment platform with sticked photo,

2. an original of the high school leaving certificate, national exams results / the Bachelor's degree diploma, stamped with an Apostille (or legalized in a Polish Embassy in its country of origin*) translated into Polish language by sworn translator,

3. an original of the eligibility statement stating that certificate/diploma gives the right to study at the university level or continue education on Master's level in the country it was issued stamped by the Higher Education Authorities (not applicable for EU/ EEA/OECD countries, Ukraine, Belarus and China),

4. a formal certificate of proficiency in English language at B2 level (from the UL's list),

5. a passport or ID (for viewing),

6. a copy of the document that entitles the applicant to study at the same rules as Polish citizen's (Pole's Card, permanent residence card, document confirming refugee status or temporary protection, EU national ID, other),

7. a valid proof of health insurance for basic medical treatment in Poland (for viewing),

8. a valid visa or a residence permit (Karta Pobytu), or any other document that entitles the applicant to stay legally in Poland (for viewing),

9. a statutory obligation and other declarations sent previously by e-mail,

10. Referral of the Republic of Poland scholarship (applies to its holders).

* Secondary education certificates issued by some countries require recognition process (nostryfikacja) at the Board of Education (it is not applicable to certificates from the EU, the EEA, OECD, Ukraine, Belarus and China).

Only after presenting the originals of the above mentioned documents, a candidate will officially become student of the University of Lodz. Please bear in mind that due to Polish law's requirement documents will have to be translated by a sworn translator into Polish after your arrival to Poland.

Deadlines

BA studies (1st cycle) and long cycle (5 years) studies

registration, uploading documents in the system and fee payment: 5th of May 2023 till
7th of July 2023 (12pm);

- list of selected candidates untill 14th of July 2023;
- submitting original documents:

17th of July 2023 from 7:30 till 15:30,

18th of July 2023 from 7:30 till 15:30,

19th of July 2023 from 7:30 till 15:30;

- documents sent by post will be accepted until **24th of July 2023** (with a post stamp at **19th of July 2023**).

- list of admitted candidates – until **28th July 2023**.

MA studies (2nd cycle)

registration, uploading documents in system and fee payment: 5th of May 2023 to 17th of July 2023;

- Entrance exams/interviews **21**st of July 2023;
- List of selected candidates untill **26th of July 2023**;
- Submitting the originals of documents:

27th of July 2023 from 7:30 till 15:30,

28th of July 2023 from 7:30 till 15:30,

- Documents sent by post will be accepted until 2nd of August 2023 (with a post stamp at 28th of July 2023).

- list of admitted candidates - until 4th of August 2023.

For MA studies at faculties of Physics and Applied Informatics, Educational Sciences as well as International and Political Studies online admission lasts until 11th of September. Documents will be collected on 21st and 22nd of September.

Place to submit documents and main contact:

International Relations Office

at the University of Lodz 3 Uniwersytecka Street, room no. 1 90-137 Łódź tel.: (+48 42) 635 42 37 e-mail: **admission@uni.lodz.pl**

Bank account details of University of Lodz

SWIFT code: PKOPPLPW Name of the bank: II O/ŁódŹ PeKaO SA Bank address: 270 Piotrkowska Str., 90-361 Łódź IBAN: PL – (just 2 digits + sometimes required as IBAN + account number (PL+26 digits)

Where to live

All students have a right to apply for a place in a dormitory. Candidates wanting to get a place in the dormitory, please submit the filled in <u>application form</u> with the rest of documents for studies. The decision about granting the place in dormitory will be sent to you at the end of August. The cost of dormitories is from 380 to 660 PLN per month (depends on the dormitory). Every student need to pay a deposit in the amount of double monthly rent when check-in.

Scholarship

Those of students who study under the same conditions as Polish citizens do (an exception – see below), can apply for a social scholarship, a social scholarship for the disabled students and allowance. If you wish to apply for any of scholarships mentioned above please contact a <u>Students Service Centre</u>.

THE EXCEPTION: Students from EU countries members and EFTA with their families can not apply for social scholarships.

Documents

- 1. Law by 20th of July 2018 on higher education and science;
- 2. UL's Rector Decree on rules of payment for educational services at the University of Lodz;
- 3. UL's Rector Decree on rules of payments for educational services at the University of Lodz by foreign citizens;
- 4. Rules of admission procedure for 1st year of studies of 1st cycle, 2nd cycle and long-term studies at the University of Lodz.

Useful links and information

The Law on Higher Education and Science

Polish language Center – <u>www.sipdc.uni.lodz.pl</u>

More information on the website of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education

National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA)

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