



Dean's Measure No. 7/2026 Supplementary Admissions Process (2nd Round) for Doctoral Programs for the 2026/2027 Academic Year

Under Sections 48-50 of the Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions, and Amendments to Other Acts (hereinafter referred to as the Act on Higher Education Institutions), as amended, I announce the Rules for the 2nd round of the admission procedure and conditions for the admission to doctoral degree programs in the academic year 2026/2027 to the following study programs:

Field of education	Study program	Study language	Form of study
Biology, Ecology and Environmental Protection	Protection of Aquatic Ecosystems (Czech)	Czech	Full-time and combined
	Protection of Aquatic Ecosystems	English	Full-time and combined
Zootechnics (Z)	Fishery (Czech)	Czech	Full-time and combined
	Fishery	English	Full-time and combined

Notes: **Full-time** – a full-time form of study; **combined** – a combined form of study

1. General provisions

- **The Doctoral study program (DSP) “Protection of Aquatic Ecosystems”** may be studied in a full-time or a combined form in the Czech language. The standard period of study is four years.
- **The Doctoral study program (DSP) “Protection of Aquatic Ecosystems”** may be studied in a full-time or a combined form in the English language. The standard period of study is four years.
- **The Doctoral study program (DSP) “Fishery”** may be studied in a full-time or a combined form in the Czech language. The standard period of study is four years.
- **The Doctoral study program (DSP) “Fishery”** may be studied in a full-time or a combined form in the English language. The standard period of study is four years.

To study the Doctoral study program may be admitted applicants who are:

- a) Citizens of the Czech Republic, another member state of the European Union, contracting state of the Agreement on the European Economic Area or Swiss Confederation, who meet the conditions outlined in this Measure or





b) citizens of another state who must meet not only the conditions outlined in this Measure but also special regulations for the study of foreign citizens at Higher Education Institutions in the Czech Republic,
and who have electronically sent or submitted their application with required attachments and delivered to the Department of Student Affairs of the Faculty of Fisheries and Protection of Waters and paid a fee for acts for the admission procedure by November 30, 2026.

2. Applications for study

Applications for study are accepted only through the online application on the website of the University of South Bohemia:

<https://wstag.jcu.cz/portal/studium/uchazec/eprihlaska.html>.

The fee for acts associated with the admission procedure in the amount of **CZK 700 (for study programs in Czech) and in the amount of 1,500 CZK (for study programs in English)** must be paid at the time of the application submission, either by a bank transfer, by money order, or online via a payment gateway in the IS STAG application in case the applicant submits their application this way. For the bank transfer or the money order, the payment data are as follows:

- Bank account number: 104725778/0300
- Bank: ČSOB a.s., České Budějovice
- IBAN for payment from abroad: CZ200300000000104725778
- BIC for payment from abroad: CEKOCZPP
- Variable symbol: 6020109
- Constant symbol: 378 for payment by bank transfer, 379 for payment by the money order
- Specific symbol: the number of the field of study of the online application

In case of problems with identification and payment tracking, applicants will be asked to provide evidence of the payment for the admission procedure (bank statement, bank confirmation of the bank transfer, money order receipt, etc.).

Applicants apply for a specific degree program. If applicants apply to more than one program (or mode of study), they are required to submit a separate application for each program, mode of study (full-time, part-time), and language of instruction (Czech, English), and to pay the fee specified above.

Applicants with special needs (with a disability or limiting chronic illness) must state this fact in the application form and they must briefly describe their health restrictions. Applicants with special needs are entitled to use supporting services provided by the University through the Centre for the Support of Students with Special Needs (hereinafter referred to as the Centre) during the admission examination and provided that they are admitted to study they can use it throughout the entire period of study. Applicants with specific needs who wish to use the Centre's services must tick the option "Taking specific needs into account" on the online application form. After the consolidation of the application, these applicants are contacted by the Centre employees who inform them of what steps need to be taken next. More detailed





information can be obtained on the website of the Centre (<http://centrumssp.jcu.cz>), by e-mail (centrum-ssp@jcu.cz), or by phone (+420 389 036 026). Applicants can also consult with the Centre whether a study program they have chosen is suitable for them before submitting their application.

Depending on the level and form of study selected, the application must also include the attachments listed below in the text and table:

- A. A structured curriculum vitae of the applicant and, if applicable, information on creative activities and a list of publications and lectures.
- B. Transcripts of grades and credits from completed courses in the bachelor's and, if applicable, master's programs, indicating the overall weighted grade point average or academic performance, certified by the academic affairs office (department) of the relevant university where the applicant studied. Students of the FFPW USB are exempt from this requirement. Applicants who have not yet duly completed their master's studies by the application deadline shall indicate the expected date of completion in the application.
- C. A diploma certifying completion of a master's degree or higher. The document may be submitted i) electronically as an attachment to the online application using an authorized conversion (an officially certified electronic copy), ii) by mail as a certified copy to the address of the academic office, or iii) by personally presenting the originals at the academic office during office hours or by appointment with a staff member of the academic office, provided they have completed a master's or higher degree program before the application deadline. Other applicants must submit proof of completion of studies immediately upon receipt, but no later than the deadline specified in the notification sent by the faculty. In the case of graduation from a foreign university, applicants shall submit the original or a certified copy of an official document confirming the completion of a full university education that qualifies them to pursue a doctoral program in that country. The document must be certified in accordance with Section 12 of Act No. 91/2012 Coll., on Private International Law, as amended, unless an international or bilateral treaty provides otherwise. In addition to the above-mentioned document, the following must be submitted: i) an official translation of the above-mentioned document into Czech or English, ii) the English original, a certified copy of the English original, or a certified translation of the transcript of the applicant's completed coursework from the master's program, issued by the relevant university, iii) a certified copy of the original English document, or an official translation of the document certifying the applicant's completion of a bachelor's degree (if applicable), and iv) the original English document, an officially certified copy of the English original, or an official translation of the applicant's transcript of completed coursework from their bachelor's program, issued by the relevant university. Official translations of original documents may be provided in Czech or English. In case of doubt, FROV JU may also request a document proving the equivalence of the applicant's foreign studies and diploma to studies (and a diploma) in a master's degree program accredited at a university in the Czech Republic, issued as a decision by the rector of the relevant university in the Czech Republic (pursuant to Sections 89 and 90 of the Higher Education Act).
- D. A letter of motivation explaining your interest in pursuing a doctoral program at the FFPW USB, your choice of dissertation topic, and a brief outline of your approach to addressing





the selected topic. Applicants must apply for a specific dissertation topic by selecting from the topics offered for the given admission process. A list of available dissertation topics is available on the FFPW USB website. **Before submitting their application, applicants must contact the supervisor of the dissertation topic for which they are applying. The supervisor's approval of the applicant's application is one of the conditions for the applicant to proceed in the admission process.**

- E. Document (certificate) proving proficiency in the English language. The document may be submitted i) electronically as an attachment to the online application using an authorized conversion (an officially certified electronic copy), ii) by mail as a certified copy to the address of the academic department, or iii) by personally presenting the originals at the academic department during office hours or by appointment with a staff member of the academic department—**this applies to applicants for programs taught in English.** This attachment is not mandatory, but it will be taken into account by the admissions committee when evaluating the applicant.
- F. CCE certificate (Certified Czech Examination for Foreigners) passed at the Institute of Language and Vocational Training of Charles University or its partner institutions proving knowledge of the Czech language at a minimum level of B1. The document can be delivered i) electronically as an attachment to the e-application using authorized conversion (electronic officially certified copy), ii) by post as an officially certified copy to the address of the study workplace or iii) by personally submitting the originals to the study workplace during office hours or after agreement with an employee of the study workplace - **applies to applicants of foreign nationality (except citizens of the Slovak Republic) to study programs conducted in the Czech language.**

Study program		Doctoral - CZ		Doctoral - ENG	
		Full-time	Combined	Full-time	Combined
Attachments	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
	B	✓	✓	✓	✓
	C	✓	✓	✓	✓
	D	✓	✓	✓	✓
	E	(✓)	(✓)	(✓)	(✓)
	F	✓*	✓*		

Explanations: CZ – study program taught in the Czech language; ENG – study program taught in the English language; ✓ – the relevant attachment is a mandatory part of the application for study; (✓) – the relevant attachment is not a mandatory part of the application, but may be taken into account during the admission procedure; ✓* – applies to applicants of foreign nationality and/or to applicants whose mother tongue is not Czech or Slovak.

Mandatory attachments to the e-application may be delivered by any of the methods described below:

- **electronically (by e-mail or as an attachment to the e-application)**



- documents proving completed education, secondary school certificate or language skills must be verified through electronic authorized conversion (e.g. at CzechPoint of the Czech Post or at a notary)
- other documents can be scanned
- **by post**
 - officially certified copies of documents proving completed education, secondary school diploma or language certificates
 - other documents can only be in plain copy
- **in person**
 - original documents proving previous education, high school diplomas or language certificates can be submitted to the following addresses of the faculty's Department of Student Affairs, during office hours or after consultation with the Department of Student Affairs staff. The Department of Student Affairs staff will make their own copies of the submitted documents.

In the case of study programs taught in English, the application and all attachments must be in English.

Mandatory application attachments remain part of the admissions documentation and are not returned to applicants. In justified cases, selected application attachments may be sent back via delivery services ordered and paid for by the applicant.

If there are any formal deficiencies in the application, the Department of Student Affairs will invite the applicants to remedy the deficiencies via the electronic information system of the university or postal service providers. In case substantial formal deficiencies are not removed by the date mentioned in the call, the admission procedure with such applicants will be stopped. Applicants are responsible for the accuracy of data provided in the application. If the applicant specifies incorrect information in the application, they can be excluded from the admission procedure, or they will not be allowed to enroll to study at the FFPW USB.

Mandatory attachments to the application for study in the Doctoral study program can be sent or submit to the following address:

University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice
Faculty of Fisheries and Protection of Waters
Doctoral Study Programs and Foreign Affairs Office
Zátiší 728/II
389 01 Vodňany
Czech Republic

3. Admission procedure

All applicants whose admission process is not terminated due to formal deficiencies will be invited to an admission interview. In justified cases, the admission interview may be conducted using electronic communication technologies. In such cases, however, the applicant bears the





risk of receiving a lower evaluation due to a poor connection. The admissions process will be terminated for applicants who do not attend the admissions interview.

During the interview, the applicant must:

- for DSP Protection of Aquatic Ecosystems demonstrate a sufficiently broad foundation of general knowledge in animal biology, chemistry, and aquatic ecology.
- for DSP Fishery, demonstrate a sufficiently broad foundation of general knowledge in animal biology, fisheries, and aquatic ecology.
- demonstrate the ability to communicate in English.

Based on the oral interview, the admissions committee will award the applicant 0–20 points. An additional 0–10 points will be awarded to the applicant based on information regarding their prior education, experience, publications, teaching activities, etc. When evaluating an applicant, the admissions committee will also take into account the opinion of the head of the relevant organizational unit at the faculty where the student is to be enrolled, as well as that of the applicant's potential advisor, provided they are not direct members of the admissions committee. The final evaluation will be calculated as the average of the point scores proposed by the committee members present, rounded to two decimal places. Applicants who do not score at least 20 points cannot be admitted to the program.

If more than one applicant applies for a given dissertation topic, the applicant who receives the highest score will be admitted. In the event of a tie, the selected applicant will be determined by lot. If only one applicant applies for a given topic and receives more than 20 points from the admissions committee, they will be admitted to the program provided they meet all other requirements. Applicants who receive more than 20 points but whose chosen dissertation topic is taken by an applicant with a higher score will be offered the opportunity to be admitted to unoccupied dissertation topics, provided that the supervisors of those topics are interested. The offering of unassigned dissertation topics to eligible applicants will be conducted in accordance with the instructions of the advisors who are announcing the topics.

The admissions process for the English-language doctoral program will be conducted entirely in English; all other conditions for admission to the doctoral program remain the same as those listed above.

Tuition fees for the English-language program are set forth in Rector's Decree No. R 629 of February 27, 2026.

Applicants who:

- receive more than 20 points from the admissions committee and are ranked among the accepted students, or who later agree to be admitted to an unfilled dissertation topic, and who also meet the other conditions for admission, will receive a notification of admission.
- receive more than 20 points from the admissions committee, rank highest among applicants for a given dissertation topic, or agree with a supervisor on an unfilled topic, but fail to provide proof of the minimum required or higher level of education in accordance with this regulation, will be admitted to the program provided they submit proof of such education by the deadline set by the faculty.
- do not receive more than 20 points from the admissions committee or do not rank among the admitted students and are not offered another unfilled dissertation topic, or students who do not meet other conditions (particularly with regard to demonstrating at least a master's degree in accordance with the conditions stated above), will be notified of their non-admission to the program or of the termination of the admissions process.





Applicants will be notified of the results of the admissions process via the university's electronic information system or by mail.

Admissions interviews for the doctoral program will take place from December 7 to December 18, 2026 (dates subject to change). Information regarding the date, time, and location of the admission interview will be sent to applicants at the contact email address provided in the application form no later than 7 days before the interview date.

4. Admission committee

The Admissions Committee evaluates the conduct and results of the admissions process.

The Admissions Committee for doctoral studies is nominated by the Program Advisory Board and appointed by the Dean of FFPW USB. The committee consists of at least a chair and four other members. The members of the committee are typically the chair of the Departmental Council, the directors of the institutes, selected heads of FFPW USB laboratories, and potential student advisors.

The dean of the faculty may also serve as a member of the committee. The Admissions Committee verifies the completeness and accuracy of the information contained in the application and the applicant's supporting materials, and evaluates the information provided. Based on the information in the application attachments, additional information obtained, and the oral interview (see above for details), the committee assigns a point score to each applicant. Based on these point scores, the Admissions Committee ranks the applicants for the given dissertation topic and proposes to the dean of FFPW USB the next steps regarding the processing of the applicants' applications.

The individual committees will forward all admission process materials to the academic department within 3 days of the admission committee meeting. The dean will decide on the admission or rejection of applicants based on the ranking of admitted applicants compiled by the committees individually, taking into account whether all necessary conditions have been met or not.

5. Delivery of the Dean's Decision

Decisions on admission/non-admission to study or resolutions on the termination of the admission procedure will be delivered via the university's electronic information system, in accordance with the provisions of Section 69a, paragraph 1 of the Act on Universities and Article 30 of the current version of the Statute of the University of South Bohemia.

6. Appeal against the decision about non-admission to study

If an applicant disagrees with the decision or resolution of the Dean of the FFPW US regarding the outcome of the admissions process, the applicant has the right to request that the Dean review the decision, ideally by submitting a request through the e-application portal or in writing. The deadline for filing an appeal will be specified in the decision (resolution) regarding the admissions process sent to the applicant via the university's electronic system (e-application). If the Dean does not grant the request, he or she will refer the decision to the Rector of the University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice. The rector's decision is final. Before the deadline for filing a request for review of the decision expires, the applicant has the right to inspect all of their materials that were decisive for the issuance of the decision. If the





materials are not accessible through the university's electronic information system, they will be sent to the email address the applicant provided in the application for admission upon request. The applicant does not have the right to inspect the documentation of other applicants.

7. Expected numbers of admitted students:

- Max. A maximum of 10 students for all doctoral programs.

The dean may decide to adjust the number of students admitted.

The rules for the supplementary admissions process and the conditions for admission to the FFPW USB for the 2026/2027 academic year were approved by the Dean's Board on June 5, 2026. The Academic Senate of the FFPW USB, approved the original admission procedure conditions and the conditions for admission to study at the FFPW USB, for the 2026/2027 academic year on November 12, 2025.

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