

Jihočeská univerzita v Českých Budějovicích University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice Czech Republic

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### Dean's Measure No. 3/2024

## Rules for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of the Admission Procedure and Conditions for the Admission to Study in Bachelor's and Postgraduate Master's Study Programs for the Academic year 2024/2025

On grounds of § 48 to 50 of the Act No.111/1998 Coll., On Universities and amendments and supplements to other acts (hereinafter referred to as the Higher Education Act), I herein announce the following Rules for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the admission procedure and the conditions for admission to study in the following study programs:

Type of education	Study program	Form of study
Bachelor's study degree		
Agriculture (A)	Fishery	Full-time and combined
Biology, Ecology and Environment (BEE)	Protection of Waters	Full-time and combined
Postgraduate master's study degree		
Combined (A – 60%, BEE – 40%)	Fishery and Protection of Waters	Full-time and combined

#### 1. General provisions

- The **Bachelor's study program Fishery** may be studied full-time or in a combined form in the Czech language for three years as a standard.
- The **Bachelor's study program Protection of Waters** may be studied full-time or in a combined form in the Czech language for three years as a standard.
- The Postgraduate Master's study program Fishery and Protection of Waters may be studied full-time or in a combined form in the Czech language for two years as a standard.

Only the applicants fulfilling the following conditions who will have sent or submitted a study application with required attachments at the Department of Student Affairs of the Faculty of Fisheries and Protection of Waters USB and paid the fee for acts related to the selection procedure at least by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024 may be admitted to the bachelor's and postgraduate master's study programs:



- a) a citizen of the Czech Republic, another member state of the European Union, a state which accepted the Agreement on the European economic area or Swiss federation, who fulfill the conditions outlined in the following text of this Measure;
- b) a citizen of another state, who must fulfill the conditions outlined in the following text of this Decision as well as comply with special regulations for the studies of foreign citizens at the universities in the Czech Republic.

#### 2. Study applications

Study applications are accepted through the online application system on the website of the University of South Bohemia: <a href="https://wstag.jcu.cz/portal/studium/uchazec/eprihlaska.html">https://wstag.jcu.cz/portal/studium/uchazec/eprihlaska.html</a>.

The fee for the acts associated with the admission procedure amounting to CZK 500 must be paid at the time of the application submission, preferably by a bank transfer or by a post money order to:

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 a bank transfer, 379 for payment by a post-money order
- Specific symbol: applicant's identification number without slash or a date of birth in a format DDMMYYYY for applicants without an identification number

In case of problems with the payment, the applicants will be asked to document the payment for the admission procedure (bank statement, bank confirmation about bank transfer, coupon from the post-money order, etc.).

The name of the study program must be specified in the application. Provided that an applicant applies for more programs (or forms of studies), he/she is obliged to submit a separate application for each study program and form of study (full-time, combined). Candidates with special needs (with a disability or a limiting chronic illness) must indicate this in the application and briefly describe their own limitations. Candidates with specific needs have the right to take advantage of support services provided by the university during admission tests and in the case of admission as well as during the study. A candidate with specific needs who wants to use the services of the Center must include this fact in the application form, in the case of the electronic application, tick the option "Take into account special needs". Once the application has been completed, such candidates will be contacted by the Center for Support of Students with Special Needs and will be informed about the next steps. Further information can be obtained from the Center's website



(http://centrumssp.jcu.cz/, e-mail (centrum-ssp@jcu.cz), or by telephone (+420 389 036 026). It is possible to consult the choice of the study program with the Center's staff before submitting the application for study.

Parts of the application according to the form of chosen study are also:

- Annual school reports (overall grades awarded for the second semester) from the last 4 years of study at a secondary school this applies to applicants for the bachelor's degree programs. The school reports should be attached to the electronic application in the form of scanned original documents or PDF documents generated by authorised conversion, or they should be submitted in the form of original documents or certified copies directly at the faculty's Department of Student Affairs in České Budějovice.
- An original or an officially certified copy of the document proving the completion of secondary education (in paper form or as a PDF document generated by authorised conversion) - this applies to applicants for the bachelor's degree programs who completed secondary education before the deadline for submission of applications. Applicants graduating later shall provide evidence about completion of secondary education as soon as it is received, but no later than on the date of enrollment. In the case of graduation at a foreign secondary school, the candidate shall submit: (I) a document of a final examination equivalent to a school-leaving certificate, recognized according to Section 108 of the Act No. 561/2004 Coll., The Education Act, unless otherwise provided by the international treaty, or (II) the original or an officially certified copy of the official document confirming achievement of full secondary education which entitles the student to study at a university in a bachelor's or a higher study program. The document shall be authenticated in accordance with § 12 of Act No. 91/2012 Coll., On Private International Law, as amended, unless the international or bilateral treaty provides otherwise. At the same time, an official translation of the above document into Czech or English is documented. In case of doubt, the FFPW USB may request the submission of a document under (I). If the original document is documented, it is necessary to submit it in person at the Department of Student Affairs of the FFPW USB.
- An original or an officially certified copy of a diploma proving the completion of bachelor's or higher degree studies (e.g. master's study) (in paper form or as a PDF document generated by an authorized conversion) this applies to applicants for the master's degree program who completed their bachelor's or higher studies before the deadline for submitting applications. Other applicants shall provide proof of completion of the bachelor's or higher studies immediately after they receive it, but no later than on the date of enrolment to study. In the case of graduation from a foreign university or college, the applicant shall submit (I) the proof of equivalence of foreign studies and diploma with studies in a bachelor's study program accredited at a university in the CR



issued as a decision of its rector by such a university in the Czech Republic, unless an international agreement stipulates otherwise, or (II) an original or an officially certified copy of an official document attesting to the attainment of higher education which entitles the holder to pursue a postgraduate master's study program in the given country. The document must be verified in accordance with Section 12 of Act No. 91/2012 Coll., On Private International Law, as amended, unless an international or bilateral agreement stipulates otherwise. At the same time, the following shall be provided: i) an official translation of the above document into Czech or English, ii) an English original, an officially certified copy of the English original, or an official translation of the applicant's completed study obligations issued by the relevant university. In case of doubt, the FFPW USB may also request a document according to the point (I) (pursuant to Section 89 and 90 of the Higher Education Act). In case of submitting an original document, it must be submitted in person at the Department of Student Affairs.

- An original or an officially certified copy of the CCE certificate (certified Czech language exam for foreigners) (in paper form or as a PDF document generated by an authorized conversion) proving knowledge of the Czech language at a minimum level of B1 valid for applicants of foreign nationality (with the exception of citizens of the Slovak Republic). In the case of submitting the original of the document, it is necessary to present it in person at the relevant Department of Student Affairs.
- Structured curriculum vitae of the applicant this applies to applicants for the combined form of study.
- Covering letter about the improvement of skills this applies to applicants for the combined form of study.
- Recommendation of an employer to applicant's study this applies to applicants for the
  combined form of study. This document is not compulsory, but it can be considered in
  the admission procedure.

All attachments except documents verifying the level of education can be delivered when applying via online application as an electronic attachment (by email to the address of the Department of Student Affairs or as an attachment of the online application to study). Provided that the application contains formal deficiencies, the Department of Student Affairs will ask the applicants to complete the application. In case the serious formal deficiencies are not removed by 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024, these applications will be excluded from the admission procedure. Applicants are responsible for the accuracy of data in the application form. If the applicant specifies wrong information in the application form, he/she can be excluded from the admission procedure, or the enrolment to study at the FFPW USB will not be allowed. It is necessary to provide an e-mail address or telephone number of



## the applicant because of little time between the processing of applications and the admission decision.

Candidates of relevant study programs who are not admitted in the first round of the admission procedure because of the low number of candidates may request in writing the Department of Student Affairs to include the application form from the first round to the second round of the admission procedure without the necessity to fill out a new application form and pay a fee for operations related to admission management.

## Applications for studies on the prescribed forms and/or mandatory attachments that cannot be sent electronically should be sent to the following address:

University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice Faculty of Fisheries and Protection of Waters Institute of Aquaculture and Protection of Waters, Department of Student Affairs Na Sádkách 1780 370 05 České Budějovice Czech Republic

#### 3. Admission procedure

#### Bachelor's study – both study programs, full-time form of study

The applicants are accepted **WITHOUT ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS**. In case the number of applicants exceeds the number of admitted students set by the Dean of the FFPW USB, the applicants will be accepted based on the order determined by the total average of study averages from single school reports (from the lowest to the highest). The condition for acceptance is the placement in the order of admitted students. The overall study average from annual school reports for the last 4 years of study at the secondary school is calculated in the cases of all applicants. This also applies to studying at vocational schools with extension. An applicant, who does not supply all the results of studies over the last 4 years of study at secondary school, will be excluded from the admission procedure. The total average will be calculated for two decimal places. All applicants with the same average, as the last admitted applicant gained, will be also included in the order of admitted students.

- Applicants who are placed in the order of the number of admitted students and meet other conditions for admission will receive notification of acceptance.
- Applicants, who are placed in the order of the number of admitted students but do not
  meet the conditions for admission (it concerns applicants graduating after the deadline
  for submitting the application), will be informed about their placement in the order of
  admitted students and will be accepted after all conditions for admission have been
  met.
- Applicants, who are placed out of the order of admitted students, will not be admitted to study.

#### Bachelor's study – both study programs, combined form of study



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The applicants' order according to the results at the secondary school will be determined by the total average (from the lowest to the highest) from study averages of the individual school reports at the end of the last four years of secondary school before getting graduation. This also applies in vocational schools with a degree extension. The applicant, who does not submit all the study results for the last four years at the secondary school, will be included in this part of the evaluation in the last place in the order. The average will be calculated for two decimal places. The applicants with the same average will have the same rank. Other candidates will have the rank corresponding to their actual order of ranked candidates (e.g. if two candidates have third order, the next rank will be 5).

Score points 0-30 will be assigned by the admission committee based on analysis of data from the current experience of the applicant, competencies gained in the course of employment, his / her motivation to improve qualifications, and recommendations from the employer. The applicants' rank will depend on the number of points. Applicants with the same number of points will have the same order.

The overall rank of applicants will be determined by the weighted study average from the results at the secondary school and scores assigned by the admission committee. The results at the secondary school will constitute 40% of the overall mark and the scores assigned by the admission committee will constitute 60% of the overall mark. All applicants with the same order, as the last admitted applicant gained, will also be included in the order of admitted students.

- Applicants who are placed in the order of the number of admitted students and meet other conditions for admission will receive notification of acceptance.
- Applicants, who are placed in the order of the number of admitted students but do not
  meet the conditions for admission (it concerns applicants graduating after the deadline
  for submitting the application), will be informed about their placement in the order of
  admitted students and will be accepted after all conditions for admission have been
  met.
- Applicants, who are placed out of the order of admitted students, will not be admitted to study.

## Postgraduate master's study – study program Fishery and Protection of Waters, a full-time form of study

In particular, graduates of bachelor's and higher study programs with a focus on Fishery and Protection of Waters, as well as graduates of study programs in the field of Agriculture; Biology, Ecology and Environment; Pharmacy; Chemistry; Forestry and Timber; Food industry; Veterinary Medicine, and Veterinary Hygiene, can apply for admission to study;



furthermore, graduates of other bachelor's study programs and fields who demonstrate sufficient expertise to study a postgraduate master's program can also apply. Graduates of bachelor's and higher study fields/programs with a focus on Fishery and Protection of Waters will be accepted without admission exams, provided that they document a weighted study average from the previous study (excluding the results of the final state examination) which does not exceed 2.10 and that their bachelor's thesis was not evaluated with a grade lower than Very Good. Other applicants will sit a written entrance test. The test will contain questions from the following subjects or areas of accredited bachelor's fields/programs in Fishery and Protection of Waters at the FFPW USB:

- Basics of cell biology (10 questions)
- Basics of hydrochemistry (10 questions)
- Law in fisheries and water management (10 questions)
- Water management (10 questions)
- Fishery (10 questions)

Applicants who do not obtain at least 30 points will not be admitted to study. The applicants who meet the minimum number of points will be ranked according to the number of points they obtained. Applicants with the same number of points will have the same ranking. The next-in-line applicants will then be ranked based on their actual order (e.g. if two applicants are placed third, the next one is placed fifth). Applicants with the highest number of points will be placed on the list of admitted students, up to the maximum number of admitted students specified below (after deducting the places occupied by applicants admitted without admission exams). All applicants with the same ranking as the last accepted applicant will also be admitted.

- Applicants who are ranked among the admitted students and who meet all the other requirements for admission will receive a decision on admission to study.
- Applicants who are ranked among the admitted students and do not meet the
  requirements for admission (this applies in particular to submitting a certificate of
  previous required education) will be informed that they have been placed on the list of
  admitted students and that they will be accepted after meeting all the requirements for
  admission.
- Applicants who are ranked outside the list of accepted students or who do not submit a
  certificate of previous education in time will not be admitted to study or, if applicable,
  the admission process will be discontinued.

# Postgraduate master's study – study program Fishery and Protection of Waters, combined form of study

In particular, graduates of bachelor's and higher study programs with a focus on Fishery and Protection of Waters, as well as graduates of study programs in the field of Agriculture; Biology, Ecology and Environment; Pharmacy; Chemistry; Forestry and Timber; Food industry; Veterinary Medicine, and Veterinary Hygiene, can apply for admission to study; furthermore, graduates of other bachelor's study programs and fields who demonstrate



sufficient expertise to study a postgraduate master's program can also apply. Graduates of bachelor's and higher study fields/programs with a focus on Fishery and Protection of Waters will be accepted without admission exams, provided that they document a weighted study average from the previous study (excluding the results of the final state examination) which does not exceed 2.10 and that their bachelor's thesis was not evaluated with a grade lower than Very Good. Other applicants will sit a written entrance test. The test will contain questions from the following subjects or areas of accredited bachelor's fields/programs in Fishery and Protection of Waters at the FFPW USB:

- Basics of cell biology (10 questions)
- Basics of hydrochemistry (10 questions)
- Law in fisheries and water management (10 questions)
- Water management (10 questions)
- Fishery (10 questions)

Applicants who do not obtain at least 25 points will not be admitted to study. The applicants who meet the minimum number of points will be ranked according to the number of points they obtained. This ranking will have a weight of 60%. Another ranking will be compiled by the Admission Committee based on the number of points (0–30) awarded as a result of evaluation of the applicant's previous experience, competencies acquired during employment, his/her motivation to increase his/her qualifications, and the employer's recommendation. This ranking will have a weight of 40%. Applicants with the same number of points will have the same ranking. The next-in-line applicants will then be ranked based on their actual order (e.g. if two applicants are placed third, the next one is placed fifth). The overall ranking of applicants will be determined by the weighted average of the ranking from the entrance exam and of the evaluation by the Admission Committee. All applicants with the same ranking as the last accepted applicant will also be admitted.

- Applicants who are ranked among the admitted students and who meet all the other requirements for admission will receive a decision on admission to study.
- Applicants who are ranked among the admitted students and do not meet the
  requirements for admission (this applies in particular to submitting a certificate of
  previous required education) will be informed that they have been placed on the list of
  admitted students and that they will be accepted after meeting all the requirements for
  admission.
- Applicants who are ranked outside the list of accepted students or who do not submit a
  certificate of previous education in time will not be admitted to study or, if applicable,
  the admission process will be discontinued.

If there is an entrance exam for the postgraduate master's study program Fishery and Protection of Waters, it will be held on 21st August 2024. The time and place of the entrance exam will be specified in an invitation sent to applicants to the e-mail address indicated in the application, no later than 7 days before the date of the entrance exam. If the number of applicants is lower than the number of accepted students and all the applicants have completed their previous education in the fields of education listed above, the Admissions



Committee may propose to the Dean that applicants be admitted without the need for an entrance exam.

#### 4. Admission committee

The admission committee executes the assessment of the duration and results of the admission procedure. The Dean appoints the admission committee for the bachelor's and postgraduate master's study program. The committee consists of a chairman and at least 2 other members. The committee verifies the completeness and accuracy of the information included in the application and accompanying materials of the candidate. It assesses all pieces of information and decides on the order of applicants according to conditions and procedures specified in the relevant paragraphs of this Decision. Based on the order of applicants the committee elaborates the proposal to the Dean of the FFPW USB for a further procedure regarding handling the applications.

Committees pass all materials of the admission procedure to the Department of Student Affairs within 3 days following the termination of the admission procedure. The Dean of the FFPW USB shall decide on each applicant's admission or non-admission to study based on the order of admitted students made by the committees individually with regard to fulfillment / non-fulfillment of all the necessary conditions. A positive admission decision to study will be delivered via the university's electronic information system (as stipulated in § 69a, paragraph 1 of the Act on Higher Education) to those applicants who, by ticking the appropriate option in the electronic application, give their consent to this method of delivery. Accepted applicants who do not consent to electronic delivery or all other applicants will be notified by registered letter in their own hands to the contact address indicated in the study application.

Provided that there is no contact address specified in the application, the decision on the admission results is sent to the applicant's permanent address.

#### 5. Appeal against the decision about non-acceptance to study

If the applicant does not agree with the decision of the Dean of the FFPW USB on his / her non-acceptance to study, he/she is authorized to apply for a review of such decision in the form of

a written request submitted to the Dean within 30 days from the date of the delivery of the decision. Provided that the Dean does not accord the request, the decision shall be passed to the Rector of the University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice. The Rector's decision is final.

The applicant has the right before the deadline for submission of an application for review of non-acceptance to look at his / her documentation forming the ground for the decision about non-acceptance to study. United terms of access to the materials will be announced on the website of the faculty. The applicant is not authorized to look at the documentation of other students or the admission committee's minutes.



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#### **Anticipated numbers of accepted students**

#### Bachelor's study program

- Fishery (full-time study): 20 students
- Fishery (combined study): 15 students
- Protection of Waters (full-time study): 20 students
- Protection of Waters (combined study): 15 students

#### Postgraduate master's study program

- Fishery and Protection of Waters (full-time study): 10 students
- Fishery and Protection of Waters (combined study): 10 students

The Dean may decide to modify the number of admitted students or refuse admission of applicants due to a lack of interest in the study program.

Rules for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the admission procedure and conditions for admission to study at the Faculty of Fisheries and Protection of Waters USB for the academic year 2024/2025 were validated by the Academic Senate of the FFPW USB on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

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