



UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA

Institute of Mediamatics and Cultural Heritage

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY

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ACCREDITED STUDY PROGRAMME OFFERED FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY PROGRAMMES

FULL-TIME STUDY

LENGTH OF STUDY 3 YEARS

Mediamatics and Cultural Heritage

PART-TIME STUDY *

LENGTH OF STUDY 4 YEARS

Mediamatics and Cultural Heritage

** tuition fee for the part-time study programme is € 1,000 for an academic year*

Detailed information about study programme:

- curriculum,
- course information sheets





EXPECTED NUMBER OF ACCEPTED APPLICANTS TO THE FIRST YEAR

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY		
STUDY PROGRAMME / FIELD OF STUDY	PLANNED CAPACITY	
	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME
Mediamatics and Cultural Heritage / Media and Communication Studies	2	3
TOTAL	2	3

In case of a low number of applicants for full-time and part-time study, the institute retains the right not to open the study programme.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

Basic condition of admission

The basic condition for admission to the doctoral degree study (the third-degree study programme) is the full completion of the first degree of university study (Higher Education Act, No. 131/2002 Coll. as amended) in the same field of study or in a study programme related in content to the study programme (in the study programme Mediamatics and Cultural Heritage). In the case of a foreign applicant or a student who completed his/her study abroad, he/she shall submit along with the application form (no later than the date of enrolment), a decision on the recognition of the certificate of completion of the second degree of higher education recognized by a relevant institution in the Slovak Republic.

The foreign applicant shall submit a certificate of the required language level B1, according to the European Framework of Reference for Languages, in the Slovak language. If he/she does not have such a certificate, he/she shall take a test on the date of the admission examination to determine the required level of the Slovak language.

Other conditions of admission

Selection procedure

The admission procedure will be conducted in the form of a selection procedure in order to ensure that applicants with the necessary abilities and prerequisites will be admitted to the study.

Rules of the selection procedure:

- the applicant applies for a specific topic of the dissertation thesis. The topics of dissertation theses will be published together with the announcement of the admission procedure for the doctoral degree study on the official notice board of the Institute and at www.ukmd.uniza.sk at least 2 months before the deadline for submitting the application forms,
- the evaluation of the admission procedure and the proposal of the applicants for admission to the doctoral degree study in the relevant study programme will be carried out by the admission committee appointed by the Director of the Institute,
- the Director of the Institute makes the decision on the admission of the applicant within 30 days from the date of the entrance examination,
- only those applicants who have successfully passed the entrance examination can be admitted to study.

Framework content of the entrance examination:

- presentation of own project on the selected topic of the dissertation thesis,
- professional discussion in which the applicant must demonstrate the prerequisites for independent scientific and research activities and good orientation in the selected field of study.

Selection of the applicants is based on the ranking based on:

- a) the results of the entrance examination (max. 40 points, the admission committee will decide on the amount of points assigned),
- b) the results of previous study (max. 30 points, allocated according to the WSA (weighted study average) of the second degree of university study according to the following schedule: WSA 1-1.25=30 points, WSA 1.26-1.99=20 points; WSA 2 and more = 0 points),
- c) publishing and scientific activities (max. 30 points, the admission committee will decide on the amount of points assigned).



ADMISSION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS

The basic and other terms and conditions of admission are applicable for applicants from abroad as well as for applicants from Slovakia.

Foreign students who study in the Slovak language do not have to pay the tuition fee. Applicants from the Czech Republic can use the form valid in the Czech Republic to submit their application for study. For foreign applicants who were admitted on the basis of intergovernmental agreements, bilateral agreements or Slovak government grants, terms and conditions stated in the respective documents are applicable.



APPLICATION FORM

Application forms shall be submitted for the individual study programmes.

Applicants fill in the application form *Prihláška na vysokoškolské štúdium – 3. stupeň* (*Application form for the third degree of the university study*) or they can also use an electronic application form. The electronic application form can be filled via the UNIZA website: <https://vzdelavanie.uniza.sk/prijimacky/index.php> or on the Portal VS (University Portal): <https://prihlaskavs.sk/sk/>.

Even in case of electronic application form, it is required to print it, sign it, enclose other required documents including the proof of payment of the fee and send them to the address of the Institute of Mediematics and Cultural Heritage UNIZA **within the stipulated deadlines.**

An incomplete application form or application form sent after the deadline will not be accepted.

In the event of non-participation in the admission procedure or a failure in the admission procedure the Institute does not refund the admission procedure fee. If the applicant wants to take part in the admission procedure at several faculties of UNIZA, the application forms must be submitted separately to each Faculty with the payment of the relevant fee.

Attachments to the doctoral degree application form:

1. curriculum vitae,
2. certified copies of the documents on education completed (except the graduates from the Faculty of Humanities / former Faculty of Natural Sciences UNIZA),
3. a list of professional and scientific papers published so far and other evidence of professional and scientific activities in the field of media and communication studies,
4. elaborated framework project on the selected topic,
5. proof of payment of the admission fee.

Admission fee:

Send € 20 to:

Žilinská univerzita v Žiline, Univerzitná 1, 010 26 Žilina

Bank: Štátna pokladnica

IBAN: SK52 8180 0000 0070 0026 9925

const. symbol: 0308

variable symbol: 10833 – doktorandské štúdium

Payment method:

payment can be made by bank transfer or postal order to the above account.

Proof of payment:

proof of payment is to be sent to the Faculty address with the application form.

Tuition fees – in accordance with the Higher Education Act. The information on the amount of the tuition fee for the relevant academic year will be published on the website of the University of Žilina within the stipulated deadlines.

With payment of the admission fee from the EU member states, the EES countries, territories that are considered part of the EU (Treaty of Rome, Section 299) and SEPA countries, it is necessary to use **BIC: SPSRSKBXXX, IBAN: SK52 8180 0000 0070 0026 9925.**



USEFUL DATES

Open Day	Deadline for submitting the application form	Entrance examination
3 March 2026 ¹	until 31 May 2026	19 June 2026



ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation facilities of the University of Žilina provide accommodation according to the accommodation capacity, taking into account the distance between the student's permanent residence and the seat of the University. **Monthly accommodation fee: € 59 – € 71.**²



CATERING

Students can use the services of the catering facility of the University of Žilina. **Price for food: € 1.30 – € 4.80.**³



SCHOLARSHIPS

Full time students of the doctoral degree study programme are granted a scholarship pursuant to the Higher Education Act, No. 131/2002 Coll. (On higher education institutions and on amendments to certain acts), Section 54 (18).



GRADUATE PROSPECTS

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY PROGRAMME

MEDIAMATICS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

(Field of study 7205 Media and Communication Studies)

Graduates of the doctoral degree programme in Media Studies and Cultural Heritage are prepared for the field of basic and applied research in the media, culture, creative industries or academic sectors. He or she has an in-depth knowledge of the principles of managing professional activities in media, cultural and heritage information institutions, including in the context of their future digital transformation, current legislation and project management.

¹ Applicants for study may also request consultations on the study/study programme individually.

² The amount of accommodation fees is subject to change depending on price developments.

³ The amount of catering fees is subject to change depending on price developments.