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Article 1 Basic provisions

- (1) This Directive applies to international students (self-paying students) registered in the category 6 in the IS/STAG system in full-time (i) Bachelor's, (ii) follow-up Master's and (iii) doctoral programmes taught in the English language at Tomas Bata University in Zlín (hereinafter referred to as "TBU").
- (2) If the term "student" is used hereinafter in this Directive, it also refers to applicants admitted to study at TBU in accordance with this Article.
- (3) The scholarship for international students in full-time degree programmes taught in the English language at TBU (hereinafter referred to as "**scholarship**") is intended for talented international students, in particular for those who come from developing countries or from countries undergoing social and economic transformation.
- (4) The rules for scholarship eligibility of international students in full-time degree programmes taught in the English language at TBU are also regulated by the Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), and by the relevant TBU internal regulations, in particular by the TBU Scholarship Regulations.
- (5) The scholarship is aimed at supporting students studying in the Czech Republic in compliance with § 91, Paragraph 4) Letter b) of the Act, with Article 4 Paragraph 1) Letter g) and Article 6 Paragraph 1) Letter g) of the TBU Scholarship Regulations.
- (6) The scholarship granted will cease to be paid in accordance with the issued Decision on the withdrawal of the scholarship. Reasons for the withdrawal of a scholarship are specified in the TBU Scholarship Regulations.

Article 2

Scholarships for international students in full-time Bachelor's and full-time follow-up Master's programmes taught in the English language at TBU

- (1) Scholarships for international students in full-time Bachelor's and follow-up Master's programmes taught in the English language at TBU are granted by the Rector at the request submitted by a student to the Vice-Rector for International Relations. Students (as specified in the Article 1 of this Directive) can submit their requests within the deadline set for each academic year by the TBU International Office, and that no later than 31 December of the relevant calendar year. The deadline for the submission of requests will be posted on the TBU website in the International section.
- (2) A student is entitled to submit a request for the scholarship in any of his/her years of study. If the request is submitted during the student's studies, the eligibility is, moreover, conditional also on the fulfilment of requirements set out by the relevant faculty (as specified in Item 7 of this Article) in the years of study preceding the submission of the student's request.
- (3) The Vice-Rector for International Relations reviews the requests; he/she shall refuse those requests which fail to meet the requirements arising from this Directive or from the relevant TBU internal regulations. The remaining requests shall be submitted to the Rector, and that no later than within 30 days of the deadline for the submission of requests. Afterwards, the Rector shall decide on the (non-)eligibility of the relevant applicants (students) for the scholarship.
- (4) The scholarship amounts to CZK 5,000/month; the record date for the start of the payment (calculation) of the scholarship is the first day of the month in which the student enrolled on the relevant degree programme at TBU.
- (5) The scholarship is granted separately for each academic year.
- (6) The scholarship granted for the relevant year of study will be paid automatically (i.e. students are not required to re-apply for the scholarship) in the following years of study (however, only during the standard period of study), provided that the student meets the requirements set out by the relevant faculty for the payment of the scholarship to be continued as specified in Item 7 of this Article. The relevant faculty is required to check as to whether the mentioned requirements set out by the same faculty have been fulfilled, and that after the first year of study (in case of students in Bachelor's and follow-up Master's programmes) and after the second year of study (in case of students in Bachelor's programmes). The relevant faculty shall submit the results of the check to the TBU International Office no later than 31 August of the relevant year. If a student fails to meet the requirements, he/she shall not be eligible for the scholarship in the following year of study, even if he/she applies for the scholarship.
- (7) To be eligible for the scholarship in his/her second and third year of study, a full-time Bachelor's student must achieve a grade point average of 1.80 or lower in his/her first and/or second year of study, and have not more than 1 unfulfilled academic requirement.

To be eligible for the scholarship in the second year of study, a full-time follow-up Master's student must achieve a grade point average of 1.50 or lower in his/her first year of study and pass all course units for which he/she enrolled in his/her first year of study.

Article 3

Scholarships for international students in full-time doctoral programmes taught in the English language at TBU

- (1) Scholarships for international students in full-time doctoral programmes taught in the English language at TBU are paid automatically (i.e. students are not required to apply for the scholarship); the record date for the start of the payment (calculation) of the scholarship is the first day of the month in which the student enrolled on the relevant degree programme.
- (2) The Vice-Rector for International Relations prepares the supporting documents for the scholarships to be granted and, subsequently, paid in accordance with Paragraphs (1), (4), (5) and (6) of this Article; he/she shall submit these documents to the Rector no later than 31 August of the relevant year. The Rector shall decide on the (non-)eligibility of the relevant students/applicants for the scholarship.
- (3) The scholarship is granted separately for each academic year. Only those students are eligible for this scholarship who study in a full-time doctoral programme at TBU during the standard period of study (depending on the accreditation, i.e. 36 or 48 months after the enrolment for studies).
- (4) The scholarship may be granted in the fourth year of study (to students studying in a three-year accredited doctoral programme) and in the fifth year of study (to students studying in a four-year accredited doctoral programme), taking into consideration the month during which the student enrolled for studies in the first year of the same programme, as the requirement regarding the maximum duration of scholarship eligibility of 36 and 48 months respectively must be fulfilled (depending on the accreditation).
- (5) The scholarship amounts to CZK 8,000/month.
- (6) A doctoral student in the second or higher year of study is eligible to receive an increased amount of the scholarship, and that CZK 13,000 per month, provided that during the previous year of study the relevant student was an author or a co-author, with a mental share of no less than 50 %, of at least 2 outputs which were positively evaluated – eligible for points in accordance with the valid "Methodology of Evaluation of Research Organizations and Evaluation of Finished Programmes" (according to the relevant record in the Personal Bibliographic Database OBD, except for D type outputs). The eligibility requirement regarding an increased amount of the scholarship to be awarded to students in degree programmes in arts is also fulfilled if during the previous year of study the relevant student was an author or a co-author, with a mental share of no less than 50 %, of outputs evaluated in accordance with the methodology of the Register of Artistic Outputs and included in the X category (at least 1 result), or in the A category (at least 1 result), or in the B category (at least 2 results). The relevant faculty is required to check as to whether the requirements have been fulfilled and to inform the TBU International Office about the results before 31 August of the relevant year.

Article 4

Final provisions

- (1) This Directive abrogates and replaces the Rector's Directive No. 2/2012 issued on 1 January 2012.