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ANNOUNCEMENT

on applications for bursaries, scholarships for people with disabilities, or benefits in the academic year 2019/2020

In the academic year 2019/2020, the fund will be divided between Faculties and Colleges **based on the data from the *Applications for financial aid submitted*** by students in accordance with the timetable issued on July 15, 2019 by the Vice-Rector for Student Affairs, namely **by October 10, 2019** (Art. 7(1a)) of the Regulations on financial aid for students of Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, hereinafter referred to as the “Regulations.” The timetable is available at Dean’s Offices, in Student Dormitories and on the University’s website – in the Student Guidebook. The **system** for generation of applications **will be launched on September 25, 2019** (at 00:01) and will stay **open to students until October 8, 2019** (at 23:59). Thanks to the information contained in the applications submitted, acting on the basis of Art. 87(2) of the Law of July 20, 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws of 2018 item 1668, as amended), hereinafter referred to as the “Law,” the Rector, in consultation with the representation of the Student Council, will determine **uniform amounts of the University’s basic benefits, the rules for increasing them and the economic criteria (income/person)** for granting individual forms of financial support. In order to ensure efficient performance of these activities and optimization of the parameters contained in this decision, students must observe the deadlines for submitting applications for financial aid. Therefore, I wish to **remind** you that **applications must be submitted as stipulated** in Art. 7(1a) of the Regulations, and I wish to encourage you to submit documents by mail before that deadline. At the same time, please be reminded that, pursuant to Art. 7(5) of the Regulations, meeting the above deadline for submitting complete applications is a necessary condition for the granting of aid for the entire semester or academic year. Late submission of an application excludes the possibility of applying for benefits to be paid from the beginning of the semester or academic year. I encourage you to meet the deadline for the submission of applications, because the Scholarship Committee can make positive decisions **until the resources allocated for this purpose have been fully distributed**, the amount of which depends on calculations regarding the distribution of the fund based on applications submitted on time.

The entry of the Law into force changes some of the principles of submitting and examining applications. The key change results from Art. 88(4) of the Law, according to which a **student whose monthly income per family member does not exceed the amount** stipulated in Art. 8(1.2) of the Law of March 12, 2004 on social assistance (Journal of Laws of 2018 item 1508, as amended), i.e. **PLN 528.00** (as of July 17, 2019), **will be refused a bursary**, unless their application for a bursary includes a statement from a social welfare center about the income and financial situation of this student and their family. The Scholarship Committee or the Scholarship Appeals Committee **may grant the student a bursary** in the case in question if the **failure to attach the statement issued by the social welfare center** on the income and financial situation of the student and student's family **is justified** (e.g. documented by the student's request for such a statement and refusal of the center to issue one) and the **student has presented and documented the sources of their family subsistence** (Article 88(5) of the Law).

Pursuant to Art. 89 of the Law, a scholarship for people with disabilities may be granted to a student with a **valid disability certificate, a certificate of the degree of disability**, or certificate referred to in Art. 5 of the Law of August 27, 1997 on Professional and Social Rehabilitation and Employment of People with Disabilities (Journal of Laws of 2018, item 511, as amended), i.e. **a certificate of work incapacity (of different degrees)** or a certificate of inability to live independently. The benefit is paid **over the period of validity of the certificate**.

A student who is **temporarily in a difficult situation** may receive an emergency benefit, up to two times in an academic year (Article 90 and Article 92(2) of the Law).

Pursuant to Article 93(2.1) of the Law, financial assistance may be granted to students in first-cycle studies, second-cycle studies and uniform Master's studies for a maximum period of six years; however, students with a Master's degree, Master's engineer degree or their equivalents, bachelor's degree, bachelor's engineer degree or their equivalents are not eligible if they commence first-cycle studies again. **These provisions also apply to persons holding professional titles obtained abroad** (Article 93(3) of the Law). If the disability arose during studies, or after obtaining a professional title, the student may receive a scholarship for people with disabilities only in one further major of studies, but only for a maximum period of six years (Article 93(4) of the Law).

Pursuant to Art. 94(2) of the Law, the **decision** on granting the benefit referred to in Art. 86(1.1-3) of the law (bursary, scholarship for people with disabilities, allowances) **expires on the last day of the month in which the student lost the right to receive benefit due to obtaining a professional title** awarded after completing the studies in which they receive the benefit; or in which the student has been deleted from the list of students in the field of study in which they have received the benefit; or in which the six-year period of eligibility indicated in Art. 93(4) of the Law expires, regardless of whether or not they have completed their studies.

A **student** applying for a bursary, a scholarship for people with disabilities or an emergency benefit, or receiving any of those **should immediately notify the University of the circumstances** stipulated in Art. 93(2-3) of the Law **resulting in the loss of the right to receive them.**

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Timetable
of activities in the applications procedure for
bursaries and special scholarships for people with disabilities
in the academic year 2019/2020

date	task
September 25, 2019 00:01	application module of USOSweb launches (completion, approval, printing, correction)
October 8, 2019 23:29	generation of electronic applications in USOSweb terminates
October 10, 2019	deadline for submission of applications to Dean's Offices
until November 7, 2019	proposals of scholarship criteria and the amounts of benefits drawn up
until November 8, 2019	scholarship criteria and the amounts of benefits handed to Dean's Offices
until November 14, 2019	payrolls drawn up and handed to the Department for Salaries and Scholarships
until November 22, 2019	money transfers executed
until December 3, 2019	decisions collected from Dean's Offices

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