TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

1. The fundamental prerequisite of being accepted to the PhD study (the third degree study programme) is the full completion of the second degree of the university study (Higher Education Act, n. 131/2002 Coll.).

2. Language competence — written and oral command of Slovak or Czech, study at the faculty, including the possibility of spendinga part of your study abroad (in higher grades), requires from the candidates the knowledge of at least one of the world languages at least in the scope of the secondary grammar school curriculum.

3. Health certificates — the faculty does not require any health certificates and accepts all the applications without health certificates.

FORMS OF ADMISSION

1. No entrance exams: It is not possible to be accepted without passing entrance exams.

2. Entrance exams: Entrance exam is an oral examination. It is a defence of the applicant's framework project on the topic of the dissertation thesis.

ADMISSION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS

The same terms and conditions of admission are applicable as for the applicants from abroad as for the applicants from Slovakia. Foreign students who study in a foreign language (i.e. not Slovak), pay the tuition fee as stated in § 92 Subsection 8 (Higher Education Act). The tuition fee is specified by the TUZVO directive for the respective academic year and can be found on the university website. Students from abroad who study in the Slovak language do not have to pay the tuition fee. For foreign applicants who were accepted on the basis of intergovernmental agreements, bilateral agreements or Slovak government grants, terms and conditions stated in respective documents are applicable.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Application deadline: 31st August 2019

General information:

The applicant chooses the dissertation topics, which are published by the departments in the relevant study programmes.

DISERTATION THESES, for the academic year 2019/2020, will be published at the end of the March 2019.

The paper application form for PhD studies is given by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic: "Application for university studies, PhD - third degree". It is available in specialized print shops (ŠEVT) or on the website of the Ministry: <u>https://www.minedu.sk/odporucane-formulare-a-prihlaska-na-vs/</u>

The electronic application form can be found at: <u>https://is.tuzvo.sk/prihlaska/?lang=en</u>.

If an electronic application form is filled in, the application form must be printed and submitted with the other attachments to the Dean of the Faculty of Forestry, Technical University in Zvolen, T.G. Masaryka 24, 960 53 Zvolen, Slovakia or personally to a PhD Study Department of the Dean's Office, the main building of TU in Zvolen, ground floor, door C003.

Attachments to the application form:

- Certified copies of study documents (university diploma, state examination certificate, diploma supplement) applicants, who finish the Master degree in a given year will provide documents after the graduation
- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- A copy of admission fees payment confirmation 40 € / 35 € (paper application / electronic application)
- A general project on the topic of dissertation work
- A list of professional and scientific (art) works published to the specific date
- Certified certificate from international language examinations
- The candidate shall specify separately at special attachment participation and success at conferences, competitions, student scientific activity (ŠVOČ), authorship of discoveries or industrial designs and the results of the interest activity.

Notes on completing the application form:

If the applicant submits the diploma supplement or a exams results statement confirmed by the relevant Study Department, it is not necessary to fill in the table on the 2nd page of the application form.

The applicant does not need to fill in the method of study.

Account for paying the admission fee:

Account name: Technical University in Zvolen Bank: Štátna pokladnica, Radlinského 32, 810 05 Bratislava 15 Account number: 7000271101 Bank code: 8180 IBAN: SK19 8180 0000 0070 0027 1101 SWIFT code: SPSRSKBA Constant symbol: 0308 Variable symbol: **81100002**

Admission procedure:

Date of the admission procedure is 16th September 2019.

The admission procedure consists of:

- the written language exam from the world spoken language (the candidate will state the language in the application form for PhD study)
- The commission interview. The candidate demonstrates the theoretical knowledge of compulsory subjects and subject of specialization according to the chosen topic in

the interview. The question areas for each exam subject will be sent to the applicant after the application has been closed, together with the invitation for the admissions interviews.

Study programmes for PhD studies:

- Silviculture and Forest Protection
- Adaptive Forestry and Wildlife Management
- Applied Zoology and Wildlife Management
- Forest Phytology
- Forest Ecology
- Forest Management
- Forestry Technologies
- Forest Ecosystem Services (with a special call aimed at the unique collaborative doctoral partnership with the Joint Research Center EU)