UNIVERSITY OF ŽILINA

Faculty of Management Science and Informatics

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY

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ACCREDITED STUDY PROGRAMMES OFFERED FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2027/2028

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY PROGRAMMES	
FULL-TIME STUDY	**PART-TIME STUDY****
LENGTH OF STUDY 3 YEARS	LENGTH OF STUDY 4 YEARS
Applied Informatics *	Applied Informatics *
Management *	Management *

** study programme is taught in the Slovak language or in the English language*
*** tuition fee for part-time study programmes is € 2, 000 for an academic year*

Detailed information about the study programmes:

- curriculum,
- course information sheets

EXPECTED NUMBER OF ADDMITED STUDENTS FOR THE FIRST YEAR

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY		
STUDY PROGRAMME / FIELD OF STUDY	**PLANNED CAPACITY**	
	FULL-TIME	**PART-TIME**
Applied Informatics / Informatics	11	3
Management / Economics and Management	4	1
TOTAL	15	4

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

The fundamental admission requirement

The fundamental admission requirement for the Doctoral degree study (study programme of the third degree) is the full completion of the Master's degree of higher education (Higher Education Act, No. 300/2025 Coll. as amended; hereinafter only referred to as "Higher Education Act"). In the case of a foreign applicant or a student who completed their study abroad, they shall submit the nostrification of study recognized by a relevant institution in the Slovak republic, along with the application form no later than on the date of enrolment or they can ask UNIZA to have their Bachelor's degree recognized.

Other conditions of admission

1. No entrance examination

It is not possible to be admitted without passing entrance examination.

2. Entrance examination

The entrance examination is in oral form. The basis of the examination is the presentation of a framework project on the topic of the dissertation thesis.

Rules of the admission procedure

After the deadline for submitting an application, the faculty will invite the candidates for the entrance examination. The invitation will contain a detailed information about the entrance examination, as well as the number of the room allocated for the entrance examination.

The Dean's office of the faculty will send a written decision on the result of the entrance examination to the applicant within 30 days from the date of the entrance examination.

ADMISSION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS

Foreign applicants have the same admission requirements as the Slovak applicants.

Foreign students who study in a different language other than Slovak, pay the tuition fee as stated in the Higher Education Act. The tuition fee is specified by the UNIZA guidelines and published for the respective academic year on the University website.

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 form 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

Applicants fill in the application form Prihláška na vysokoškolské štúdium – 3. stupeň (*Application form for the third cycle of the university study*) or they can use an electronic application form which 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/. In the case of the electronic application form it is necessary to follow the instructions as specified in the system of Electronic Application Form.

Attachments to the doctoral degree application form:

a. curriculum vitae,
b. certified copy of the diploma for applicants from other universities,
c. certified copy of the certificate on state examination for applicants from other universities,
d. photocopy of the diploma supplement for applicants from other universities,
e. framework project on the topic of dissertation thesis,
f. proof of payment of the admission fee.

Admission fee:
EU citizens **€ 20**

Payment details:	Žilinská univerzita v Žiline, Univerzitná 1, 010 26 Žilina	
	Bank:	Štátna pokladnica
	IBAN:	SK96 8180 0000 0070 0026 9909
	Const. symbol:	0308
	Variable symbol:	10533 – Doctoral study
Payment method:	The payment can be made by a bank transfer or postal order to the above account.	
Proof of payment:	In case of a paper application form the proof of payment should be sent to the address of the faculty with the application form; in case of an electronic application form the scanned copy of the proof of payment will be uploaded in the system of Electronic Application Form.	

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: SPSRSKBAXXX**, **IBAN: SK96 8180 0000 0070 0026 9909**. In the event of non-participation in the admission procedure or a failure in the admission procedure, the Faculty does not refund the admission procedure fee.

USEFUL DATES

Open Day	ONLINE[1] Open Day	Deadline for submitting the application form	Entrance exams
11 February at 10:00	18 November 2026 from 16:00 to 21:00 10 March 2027 from 16:00 to 21:00	until 31 May 2027	16 June - 17 June 2027

[1] *Access to the ONLINE Open Day will be via application on the website of the faculty http://www.fri.uniza.sk.*

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. **The accommodation fee: € 66 – € 134 per month**.

CATERING

Students can use the services of the catering facility of the University of Žilina. **Price for food: € 1.10 – € 4.70**.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Full time students of the doctoral degree study programmes are granted a scholarship pursuant to the Higher Education Act.

GRADUATE PROSPECTS

DOCTORAL DEGREE STUDY PROGRAMMES

APPLIED INFORMATICS
(Field of study 2508 Informatics)
The graduates of the study programme Applied Informatics will gain knowledge of the scientific methods of research and development in the field of applied informatics with a main focus on methods, technologies and means of applied informatics in order to find solutions to problems of selected applied areas. They are familiar with the principles of an independent and a team scientific work and are able to present the scientific formulation of problems (abstract formalisation), as well as the ways of presenting scientific results and their implementation into practice. They will know legal and environmental aspects of new solutions, ethical and social aspects of scientific work. The graduates are aware of the social, moral, legal and economic contexts of their profession. They will understand the needs of continuing professional development and lifelong learning in order to carry out research with a high degree of creativity and independence, to lead big projects and to take responsibility for complex solutions. They are able to work efficiently as a member of a creative team or to be the leader in the public as well as the private sectors, in all areas of business where highly qualified work in the field of applied informatics is required.

MANAGEMENT
(Field of study 6213 Economics and Management)
The graduates of the study programme Management will gain knowledge of the general methodology of scientific research; they have gained the latest knowledge of the current state of scientific knowledge and builds on this knowledge through independent research and scientific work, thus increasing the current level of knowledge in theory and practice of management. The graduate will be familiar with the scientific methods of research and development in the field of management with a focus on methods and means of solving of decision-making problems of selected parts of management. Furthermore, they will have gained the principles of an independent and a team scientific work, scientific formulation of the problem and its objectives, legal and environmental aspects of new solutions, ethical and social contexts. The graduates will become aware of the social, moral, legal and economic contexts of their profession and the need for continuous professional development and lifelong learning in order to be able to carry out research activities in a creative way. They will be able to work efficiently as leaders of a creative team in management of demanding and complex projects where highly qualified creative work in the field of management is required.