

Regulation No 129 of the Rector of the University of Lodz of 30 April 2026

on: fees for international students using educational services at the University of Lodz, commencing studies from the academic year 2026/2027

Pursuant to Article 23(1) in conjunction with Articles 79(1), 163(2), 323 and 324 of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (consolidated text: Journal of Laws 2024, item 1571, as amended), hereinafter referred to as the “Act”, and § 25(2)(2) of the UL Statute adopted by Resolution No 440 of the UL Senate of 27 May 2019 (as amended), it is ordered as follows:

§ 1

Scope of Application

1. This Regulation applies to international students starting the use of educational services at the UL from the academic year 2026/2027, as well as to students transferring to the UL and those resuming their studies, subject to paragraph 2.
2. International students admitted to selected forms of education in earlier years pay the fees in accordance with the rules applicable from the academic year in which they were admitted.

§ 2

Subject Matter of the Regulation

1. This Regulation sets out the rules for charging fees for educational services to applicants and students who do not hold Polish citizenship, the rules for exemptions from such fees, and the amounts thereof.
2. The University of Lodz collect fees from international students for the following educational services:
 - 1) full-time degree programmes conducted in Polish;
 - 2) degree programmes conducted in a foreign language;
 - 3) part-time degree programmes;
 - 4) repeating specified classes in full-time programmes due to unsatisfactory academic performance;
 - 5) classes not included in the curriculum or in an individual study plan, including classes supplementing learning outcomes necessary to undertake master's degree studies in a given field;
 - 6) research and development placements and scientific placements;
 - 7) Polish courses conducted by the Polish Language Centre for Foreigners.

§ 3

Types and Amounts of Fees

1. International students are required to pay fees for educational services provided by the University of Lodz in an annual amount equivalent to:
 - 1) for educational services referred to in § 2(2)(1)–(2) – in accordance with the rates specified in Appendix 1 to this Regulation;
 - 2) for educational services referred to in § 2(2)(3)–(5) – in the amount specified in the Regulation of the Rector of the UL on fees for educational services at the UL in a given academic year;
 - 3) for educational services referred to in § 2(2)(6) – EUR 3,000;
 - 4) educational services referred to in § 2(2)(7) – in accordance with the rates specified in Appendix 2 to this Regulation.

2. Fees for educational services are determined for the full duration of the programme, as provided for in the curriculum of the relevant form of education, from its commencement until completion.

§ 4

Payment Rules

1. International students who are citizens of Ukraine and are enrolled for full-time studies on a fee-paying basis pay the fees referred to in § 2(2)(1)–(2), reduced by 40% until the end of the study period provided for in the curriculum of the relevant form of education.
2. International students who complete the nine-month preparatory course at the Polish Language Centre for Foreigners in the academic year 2025/2026, referred to in point 3 of Appendix 2 to this Regulation, and who undertake full-time studies in Polish on a fee-paying basis, pay the fees referred to in § 2(1)(1), reduced by 40% until the end of the study period provided for in the curriculum of the relevant form of education.
3. International students of documented Polish origin within the meaning of Article 5(1)(1) of the Act of 9 November 2000 on Repatriation, undertaking full-time studies in Polish on a fee-paying basis, pay the fees referred to in § 2(1)(1), reduced by 40% until the end of the study period provided for in the curriculum of the relevant form of education.
4. Only one of the forms of tuition fee reduction referred to in paragraphs 1–3 may be applied.
5. If an international student applies to resume studies in the same or a related degree programme, having originally commenced studies on a fee-paying basis and benefited from reduced tuition fees as referred to in paragraphs 1–3, resumption takes place on the financial terms applicable from the academic year in which the student is readmitted.
6. Non-Polish citizens studying on a fee-paying basis who participate in studies abroad under student exchange programmes pay tuition fees amounting to 50% of the rate applicable for the semester during which the student departs.
7. In justified cases, the Rector of the UL – for applicants – and the dean acting under the authority of the Rector – for students – may alter or extend the deadline for payment or allow payment in instalments.

8. Full or partial exemption from fees for educational services for the first semester of studies is not permitted, except for UL graduates continuing their studies at the UL whose grade average was not less than 4.5, or in other particularly justified exceptional circumstances.
9. In the cases referred to in paragraphs 7 and 8, the international student submits an application 7 days before the commencement of classes, in accordance with the Regulation of the Rector of the UL on the division of the academic year. The application must contain a detailed description of the circumstances, supported with appropriate documentation.
10. Upon a justified application by an international student, the Rector of the UL – for applicants – and the dean acting under the authority of the Rector – for students – may grant a full or partial exemption from fees for educational services in the following cases:
 - 1) difficult financial circumstances;
 - 2) undertaking studies in a second degree programme or another form of education while simultaneously incurring educational fees;
 - 3) outstanding academic performance;
 - 4) other additional achievements;
 - 5) other exceptional circumstances.
11. When deciding on a full or partial exemption from fees for educational services, the financial situation of the unit providing the service should be taken into account.
12. An international student confirms having read and accepted the terms of payment for educational services provided by the UL by submitting, in the USOSWeb system, a declaration in which they acknowledge and accept the rules for payment for educational services provided by the UL, in accordance with the template set out in Appendix 3 to this Regulation.
13. The declaration referred to in paragraph 12 must be submitted no later than within the period specified in the Study Regulations of the UL, i.e. within 7 days from the commencement of classes by the beneficiary of educational services. For justified reasons, the dean or the Rector may decide to extend this deadline.
14. The declaration referred to in paragraph 12 remains valid in respect of all programmes for which the beneficiary of educational services simultaneously takes the matriculation oath, and also in the event of continuation of studies following a change of programme or mode of study. In the event of transfer to another degree programme or another mode of study,

the student pays the fees applicable to that programme or mode, in accordance with the applicable Regulation of the Rector referred to in the submitted declaration.

15. Tuition fees must be paid at least on a semester basis, no later than by the start date of the relevant semester, in accordance with the Regulation of the Rector of the UL on the division of the academic year; fees for postgraduate studies are paid within the period specified in the agreement on the terms of payment for postgraduate studies; and fees for research and development placements and scientific placements are paid no later than by their start date. If the period of study is shorter than one academic year, the fee is calculated proportionately to the actual duration of studies.
16. Fees must be paid to the bank account indicated by the UL. The date of payment is deemed to be the date on which the funds are credited to the account.
17. Any delay in payment of fees for educational services or payment of an incomplete amount results in statutory interest for late payment.
18. If the student fails to pay the fees for educational services by the prescribed deadline, the dean acting under the authority of the Rector of the UL calls upon the student to settle the outstanding amount within 7 days of delivery of the notice, otherwise proceedings for removal from the student register shall be initiated.
19. A person who has paid tuition fees but has not started studies is entitled to a refund of the paid amount. For an applicant, the refund is made upon application by the interested party. In the event of withdrawal from studies during the academic year or removal from the student register, the student receives a refund of the tuition fee, reduced proportionately to the period elapsed from the beginning of the academic year until the date of withdrawal or removal. The refundable amount is calculated as follows: the semester or annual fee is divided by the number of full weeks of study in the semester or year and multiplied by the number of weeks of study remaining until the end of the semester or year. In exceptional cases, the dean acting under the authority of the Rector of the UL may consent to the refund of a larger part or the entirety of the tuition fee paid by a student withdrawing during the academic year.
20. A student who does not hold Polish citizenship and who, during the course of studies, acquires the right referred to in Article 324(2) of the Act may submit an application to the Rector of the UL for a change in the financial conditions of study from fee-paying status to the conditions applicable to citizens of the Republic of Poland for the period during which

that right applies. The appropriate supporting document must be attached to the application. The change takes effect from the date on which the application is submitted by the student.

21. In the event of loss of the right referred to in paragraph 20, the financial conditions of study are changed from those applicable to citizens of the Republic of Poland to fee-paying status. The change takes effect on the day following the loss of the aforementioned right.
22. The relevant Dean's Office updates the codes related to the basis of studies and the basis for fee exemption, and shares, in the USOSWeb system, a further declaration of acknowledgement and acceptance of the rules for payment for educational services provided by the UL, appropriate to the given status of the student not holding Polish citizenship in the cases referred to in paragraphs 20–21. The codes are also updated in the event of expiry of the right referred to in Article 324(2) of the Act and in the event of loss or termination of the basis of studies referred to in Article 323(3)–(5) of the Act.

§ 5

International Students Undertaking Research and Development Placements, Scientific Placements and Polish Courses Conducted By The Polish Language Centre for Foreigners

1. Fees for educational services must be paid no later than by the start date of the service. If the educational service provided by the UL lasts for less than one academic year, the fee is calculated proportionately to the actual duration of the service.
2. The terms of payment for educational services provided by the UL are set out in an agreement concluded between the university and the international student. The agreement is concluded in writing.
3. Fees are paid into the bank account indicated by the UL. The date of payment is deemed to be the date on which the funds are credited to the account.
4. Any delay in payment of fees or payment of an incomplete amount results in statutory interest for late payment.
5. In justified cases, the head of another form of education or the Director of the Polish Language Centre for Foreigners may alter or extend the payment deadline or allow payment by instalments.
6. In particularly justified exceptional circumstances, full or partial exemption from fees for educational services may be granted in the following cases:

- 1) difficult financial circumstances;
 - 2) outstanding research or scientific achievements;
 - 3) other additional achievements;
 - 4) other exceptional circumstances.
7. In the cases referred to in paragraphs 5–6, the international student submits an application 7 days before the start of the educational service. The application must contain a detailed description of the circumstances, supported by appropriate documentation.
8. When deciding on a full or partial exemption from fees for educational services, the financial situation of the unit providing the educational services is taken into account.

§ 6

Special Provisions

1. In matters not regulated in this Regulation with respect to international students using educational services at the UL, the provisions of the Regulation of the Rector of the UL on the rules for payment for educational services at the UL apply accordingly.
2. The university may determine separate rules for charging fees and their amounts in the case of international agreements or agreements with foreign entities as well as national and international scholarship programmes, in accordance with the terms specified in such agreements or programmes.
3. Details on fees for international students using educational services at the UL is published in the Public Information Bulletin at: <https://bip.uni.lodz.pl/>.

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Final Provisions

This Regulation enters into force on the date of its signing, with effect from 1 October 2026.

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