



Univerzitet u Sarajevu
CENTAR ZA INTERDISCIPLINARNE STUDIJE
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FAQ
Interdisciplinary doctoral program in Global Studies

1. Should both recommendations be academic or is it possible for one recommendation to be academic and the other professional?

- They can be both academic recommendations, or one can be academic and the other professional.

2. In the elaborate of the doctoral study, I found information that the financial structure of the study is 18,000 BAM (6,000 BAM per year). Can tuition be paid in 6 equal installments (3,000 BAM per semester) at the beginning of each semester, or must 6,000 KM be paid at the beginning of each year for that academic year?

- The tuition fee can be paid in 6 equal installments, based on the request that the candidate should submit to the Council of Doctoral Studies after the publication of the ranking list and invitation to candidates to submit documentation for enrollment. Upon approval of the application, the candidate is obliged to pay the amount of 3,000.00 KM at the beginning of each semester. If the candidate is exempted from 1/3 of the tuition fee according to Article 22, Rules of the Third cycle studies, this exemption is granted in the two last installments (installment 5 and 6).

3. Given that the doctoral study elaborate states that students who have 360 ECTS and completed the program under the old system have the right to a reduction in the tuition fee, i.e. they must pay 2/3 of the total price, whether persons who completed the study under to the Bologna Process and have 360 ECTS (have completed two master's programs), meet the criteria for paying 2/3 of the total tuition fee?

- The elaborate follows the regulation of the Rules of the III cycle of studies at UNSA, where in article 22 it is stated: "Candidates who obtained the title of Master of Science/Art before the introduction of the Bologna system of three-cycle study or the title of academic specialist are recognized with 60 study points, in a manner that is determined in more detail by the Council of Studies, and these candidates acquire the remaining of 120 study points following these rules. These candidates pay two-thirds of the total cost of studies.» Considering the above, unfortunately, this cannot be applied in your case, because the ECTS credits you have from two master's studies cannot be added together. If it were possible, a person who completed two Bologna studies of the first cycle (180 x2), would be treated as having 360 ECTS credits and would be a candidate for doctoral studies, which is not possible in any case.

4. Regarding the teaching process, I would like to know if the process is fully adapted to employed persons? Are classes held on weekends or weekdays outside of working hours?

- Yes, classes in the 1st year of study are adapted to people who are employed. It is planned that the courses will be taught according to the block system, where one block includes 12 hours of classes (Thursday (5-9pm); Friday (5-9pm); Saturday (9am-2pm)). Exceptions are possible in case one of the blocks is held by a visiting teacher from prestigious international universities. In that case, we will be forced to adapt the schedule to that teacher's obligations. However, if such an exception occurs, it will be

one to two working days during the year, and exclusively in the first year of studies, since no lectures are scheduled in the second and third years. Namely, in the 2nd and 3rd year of study, the candidate works under the strict supervision of the mentor, and meetings are arranged at times that the mentor and the candidate jointly determine.

5. I obtained the title of Master of Science before the introduction of the Bologna system of study (my undergraduate studies lasted 4 years and my postgraduate studies lasted 2 years), and I have 360 ECTS credits (240+120). Does the 1/3 tuition reduction rule apply to me?

- Yes, you meet the conditions for paying the reduced tuition fee, and in your case the tuition fee is 12,000.00 KM (according to Article 22, Rules of the III cycle of studies at UNSA). This refers to exemption from taking 2 (20ECTS) optional subjects. Such a decision is made on the basis of the request that the candidate should submit to the Council of Doctoral Studies after the publication of the ranking list and calls on the candidates to submit documentation for enrollment.