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In accordance with Article 57 of the Higher Education Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 56/25; hereinafter: ZViS-1), Rules on the Call for Enrolment and Enrolment in Higher Education (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 6/22, 4/23, 5/24, 7/24, and 56/25 – ZViS-1), and on the basis of a decision of the Senate of the University of Maribor and with the consent of the Government of the Republic of Slovenia, the University of Maribor hereby

issues the following

CALL FOR ENROLMENT IN POSTGRADUATE STUDY PROGRAMMES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR IN THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

In the 2026/2027 academic year, candidates may enrol in master's (second-cycle) and doctoral (third-cycle) study programmes offered by faculties of the University of Maribor. Detailed information on master's and doctoral study programmes can be found in [the display of study programmes implemented by the UM faculties](#). Information concerning postgraduate programmes, enrolment, access requirements, and tuition fees can also be obtained from student affairs offices of UM faculties and on [the my.UM.si website](#).

Information days for enrolment in postgraduate programmes offered by the University of Maribor will be held within a unified timeframe in 2026, specifically from 11 May to 15 May 2026. Relevant information will be published on the website of the University of Maribor through a [centralised access point](#) (available only in Slovene).

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1. APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT

All candidates aiming to enrol in postgraduate programmes of the University of Maribor may apply to the Call, irrespective of whether or not they have already completed their previous education at the time of application. Candidates who applied must submit proof that they have completed their previous education by the deadline set by the relevant faculty¹ (faculties will publish internal deadlines on their websites; candidates may also contact competent student affairs offices). **Proof of completed previous education is not a requirement for the submission of an application, it is, however, required for enrolment.** Candidates are advised to submit an application if they expect with reasonable accuracy to complete their previous education by the application deadline. **After the expiration of application deadlines referred to in this Call, applications for enrolment in postgraduate programmes can no longer be submitted.** The submission of the application for enrolment in postgraduate programmes of the University of Maribor is independent of applications for enrolment in postgraduate programmes submitted to other private or public higher education institutions.

¹ The indicative deadlines are established in accordance with these general provisions (see Points 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4).

Candidates shall submit their application for enrolment in postgraduate programmes of the University of Maribor electronically via [the eVŠ web portal](#). The Ministry will also publish the Call on the [GOV.si website](#) (available only in Slovene).

1.1 Applying in the first application period

In the **first application period**, each candidate may submit a **maximum of 3 applications** – each entry in eVŠ shall be considered one application (irrespective of study option, mode of study, application type, etc.). If the candidate tries to submit a fourth application (or more), an automatic warning will appear, and applying will no longer be possible. **The order of submitted applications is not relevant, as all applications are considered equal. Irrespective of the chosen authentication method (by means of an electronic signature or without an electronic signature with a username and password), the candidate will no longer be able to edit the application after clicking on the “Submit” button; however, he or she will be able to delete it, fill in a new application, and submit it until the application deadline is open.** The candidate will receive an email confirmation for each alteration made (to the email address indicated in the application form).

1.2 Applying in the second application period and in the additional application period for still-available enrolment places

In the **second application period** and in the **additional application period for still-available enrolment places**, each candidate may submit a **maximum of 1 application** – each entry in eVŠ shall be considered one application (irrespective of study option, mode of study, application type, etc.). If the candidate tries to submit a second application (or more), an automatic warning will appear, and applying will no longer be possible. **Irrespective of the chosen authentication method (by means of an electronic signature or without an electronic signature with a username and password), the candidate will no longer be able to edit the application after clicking on the “Submit” button; however, he or she will be able to delete it, fill in a new application, and submit it until the application deadline is open.** The candidate will receive an email confirmation for each alteration made (to the email address indicated in the application form).

In the second application period and in the additional application period for still-available enrolment places, the following candidates may submit an application:

- those who did not apply in the first application period;
- those who were not admitted to the selected faculty in the first application period;
- those who applied for a postgraduate study programme that will not be implemented (*it does not apply to citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners who will be informed about the state of the implementation after the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States*);
- those who applied for a postgraduate study programme for which it is not yet known whether it will be implemented or not (*it does not apply to citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners who will be informed about the state of the implementation after the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States*);
- those who wish to enrol in part-time study programmes.

All other candidates will receive a system notification, warning them that the application cannot be submitted.

Within the additional application period for still-available enrolment places, applications may also be submitted by Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, as well as by citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners, provided that the individual faculty so decides and deems appropriate, and provided that, for enrolment, they do not require a direct interview to assess the suitability of

the candidate in accordance with the admission requirements of the study programme, as stipulated in the sixth paragraph of Article 13 of the Higher Education Act (ZViS-1), or that they have successfully completed such an interview within previous application periods; and further provided that, for enrolment, they do not require a decision on the recognition of foreign education for the purpose of continuing education at the University of Maribor, or that they have already obtained such a decision.

1.3 Applying in the application period for enrolment in a higher year of study and parallel studies

In the application period for enrolment in a higher year of study and parallel studies, each candidate may submit a maximum of 3 applications – each entry in eVŠ shall be considered one application (irrespective of study option, mode of study, application type, etc.). If the candidate tries to submit a fourth application (or more), an automatic warning will appear and applying will no longer be possible. The order of submitted applications is not relevant, as all applications are considered equal. Irrespective of the chosen authentication method (by means of an electronic signature or without an electronic signature with a username and password), the candidate will no longer be able to edit the application after clicking on the “Submit” button; however, he or she will be able to delete it, fill in a new application, and submit it until the application deadline is open. The candidate will receive an email confirmation for each alteration made (to the email address indicated in the application form).

1.4 Submitting the application

Candidates shall submit their application for enrolment in postgraduate programmes of the University of Maribor electronically via the [eVŠ web portal](#) by means of electronic identification of at least assurance level substantial (with a qualified digital certificate, an smsPASS, or an e-identity card), with an AAI-account (an account of the Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure), or with a username and password after logging in to the SI-PASS² system of the Trust Service Authority of Slovenia. When candidates log in to the SI-PASS system for the first time, they will be asked to register a user account within which they also choose the desired method of submitting the application for enrolment. Candidates are reminded to remember or save the username and password they will use when registering a SI-PASS user account, as they will need them for possible later completion of the application with supplemental documents, access to the selection decision, filing complaints, etc.

The application shall be considered as submitted in time if it is completed and submitted via eVŠ by means of an electronic signature by the deadline set in points 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4 of this Call.

WARNING

The application is valid only if the candidate pressed the »SUBMIT« button in eVŠ; otherwise, the application will not be submitted and will thus not be considered in the selection procedure. Before completing the application procedure, candidates are advised to verify whether the application has indeed been submitted. Candidates will always receive an email notification of the successful application to the email address indicated in the application form. If the candidate does not receive the confirmation, the application has not been successfully submitted.

² The SI-PASS service is a single point for verifying the identity of various users and electronic signing of applications and other documents. SI-PASS is generally used as part of the provision of individual electronic services.

Candidates are required to check the email provided in the application for enrolment and the eVŠ web portal regularly, since this is the official method of communication, and any invitation to complete the application will be sent this way. Candidates must ensure that the e-mail address provided in the application is valid.

Higher education institutions shall **serve or forward documents and notifications relating to the call for enrolment to applicants for information by postponing the document or notification to the eVŠ web portal** (in accordance with Article 57 of the Higher Education Act). The submission of the document or notification via the eVŠ portal is notified by an information notice sent to the candidate's e-mail address provided when applying for admission and by a message to the candidate's mobile phone number, if provided when applying for admission. The document or notification will be downloaded electronically from the eVŠ web portal after prior authentication. When a decision or any other document from which a time limit begins to run is delivered in person via the eVŠ portal, the candidate electronically confirms the electronic proof of service. The day of electronic confirmation of the electronic proof of service is the day the document shall be considered as delivered. **If the document is not retrieved by the candidate within five days from the receipt of the information notice on the electronically sent document via the eVŠ portal, the document shall be considered as delivered on the day when this time limit expires.** Other documents or notifications shall be accessed by the candidate via the eVŠ web portal in electronic form following prior authentication. The candidate shall be deemed to have been acquainted with the contents of a document or notification upon logging into the eVŠ web portal.

1.5 Submitting supplemental documents

Candidates shall submit **supplemental documents** to the UM faculty implementing the study programme **in accordance with the faculty's requirements. Scanned documents or photographs of original certificates and other required documents** are considered as proof of fulfilment of access requirements in the application-admission procedure. Applications for enrolment and all supplemental documents required for application are submitted electronically via the eVŠ web portal. Instructions for the submission of proof of compliance with the access requirements are available on the [GOV.si website](http://GOV.si) (in Slovene) and on the Study in Slovenia website (in English).

When submitting the application for enrolment, the candidate will see a **list of required documents on the eVŠ web portal and the deadline** by which the documents must be uploaded to the portal. The candidate will be able to submit attachments to the application for enrolment at the same time as the application for enrolment, or later, but not later than the deadline specified on the eVŠ web portal. **If a candidate is required to supplement the application, the request will be posted on the eVŠ web portal, and the candidate will be notified about the post to the e-mail address specified in his or her application and by SMS to the telephone number if he or she states it in the application.**

Candidates should **pay attention to the deadline for the electronic submission of required documents, as after this date the submission of required documents is no longer possible.** If candidates have technical and other problems while submitting the required documents on the eVŠ web portal, they should report this to the first level of assistance to applicants to the e-mail address ekc@gov.si (it should be noted that the request for assistance will be considered during office hours), **otherwise complaints due to technical difficulties in submitting the required documents will not be considered.** Each candidate can submit a maximum of 4 attachments for each required document, the size of an individual attachment being a maximum of 5 MB.

1.6 Assistance

Instructions on how to complete the application are available on the [GOV.si website](#) (in Slovene) and on the [Study in Slovenia website](#) (in English).

Technical assistance in case of difficulties in entering the application with a qualified digital certificate, AAI-account and the first level of support for general questions in filling in the e-application form for enrolment: EKC, e-mail: ekc@gov.si, phone: 080 2002 and 00386 1 478 85 90 for calls from abroad (from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. CET during working days). Please note that your request will only be processed during office hours.

For **other questions related to the Call** (questions regarding access requirements and criteria in the event of limited enrolment, recognition of previous education, study programmes, etc.), candidates may contact the administrative staff of the University of Maribor – Rectorate at poststudy@um.si or the Student Affairs Office at relevant faculties of the University of Maribor.

2. APPLICATION and ENROLMENT DEADLINES

Under the Call for Enrolment in Postgraduate Study Programmes of the University of Maribor, candidates apply to the faculties of the University of Maribor. There is only one application period available to **citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States** for enrolment in the first year of study. If enrolment places remain after the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States, faculties may decide to offer them in an additional application period for still-available enrolment places. Faculties may also decide and offer these places to Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners, however, as per priority order, enrolment places are first filled by citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States, followed by Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and lastly by citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners.

There are separate enrolment places available to **Slovenians in the border regions and abroad** for enrolment in the first year of **master's studies**. There is only one application period available and runs simultaneously with the application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States. Places for enrolment in the first year of **doctoral studies** are common to Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners. There are two application periods available (see below).

At the first step of filling the application for enrolment ("Choice of the call for applications for enrolment and types of application"), **a candidate** who is a Slovenian in the border regions and abroad **answers with "YES" to the statement "I am a Slovene living in the border areas of countries neighbouring Slovenia, or a Slovene living elsewhere outside Slovenia"**. At the next step, they must **indicate which of the following two categories they fall into:**

- **Slovenians in the neighbouring countries** (Slovenians who are members of the ethnic Slovenian community in all four neighbouring countries – Italy, Austria, Croatia and Hungary);
- **Slovenians around the world and descendants of persons of Slovenian ethnicity up to the third generation in a direct line** (expatriates and emigrants living in the neighbouring countries outside the area defined as the Slovenian cross-border area and in other European and non-European countries).

By submitting the application form, the candidate guarantees the truthfulness of the information stated in the application for enrolment, thereby confirming that they are a

Slovenian in the border regions and abroad, which means that they fall into one of the two categories listed above. The higher education institution may call upon a candidate who applied for one of the places for Slovenians in the border regions and abroad **to submit written proof of Slovenian birth or Slovenian origin** (an extract from the register of births or other appropriate proof).

There are two application periods available to **citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners** for enrolment in the first year of study; however, in the second application period, candidates may apply only for those study programmes where enrolment places were not filled in the first application period. Irrespective of the aforementioned, faculties may decide against holding a second round of applications despite still having available enrolment places after the first application period.

For **enrolment in a higher year of study** (enrolment in accordance with transfer criteria or criteria for accelerated progression) and **parallel studies**, candidates shall apply within a separate application period. Enrolment places are available to citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and citizens of EU Member States, as well as to Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners.

2.1 Application deadlines for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States

FIRST APPLICATION PERIOD: from 31 March 2026 until 4 September 2026

The deadline for submitting supporting documents and completing previous education is determined internally by the faculties; however, it may not be set before 4 September 2026. Faculties shall enrol candidates admitted in the first application period by the internal deadline set by each relevant faculty, however, no later than **16 September 2026**.

If enrolment places remain after the first application period, faculties may decide to offer them in an additional application period for still-available enrolment places. Information on enrolment places offered in the additional application period and whether these places will also be available to Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners will be posted on the [my.UM.si website](https://my.um.si) on **21 September 2026**.

APPLICATION PERIOD FOR STILL-AVAILABLE ENROLMENT PLACES: from 22 September until 23 September 2026 at 12 p.m. CET (this deadline also applies to supporting documents)

The deadline for submitting supporting documents and completing previous education is **23 September 2026 at 12 p.m. CET**. Faculties shall enrol candidates admitted in the application period for still-available enrolment places by the internal deadline set by each relevant faculty, however, no later than **30 September 2026**. If a candidate files a request for an extension of the enrolment deadline for legitimate reasons (to be decided on by competent faculty bodies), the enrolment deadline may be extended to **30 October 2026**. If a candidate submitted **the application for recognition of foreign academic qualifications** in due time, but it is nonetheless unreasonable to expect that the decision will be issued by 30 September 2026, the candidate is advised to file **a written request for an extension of the deadline for enrolment for legitimate reasons** with the relevant faculty.

If students who are enrolled in the first year of a postgraduate study programme for the first time withdraw from the programme by **15 October 2026** at the latest, it is considered they were never enrolled in the programme.

| Application period | Application deadline | Notice | Eligible applicants | Enrolment deadline |
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| First application period | from 31 March 2026 until 4 September 2026 | <p>The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 4 September 2026.</p> <p>After 4 September 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted.</p> <p>Applicants may submit three (3) applications with equal priority.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States. - Citizens of non-EU Member States with permanent residence in the Republic of Slovenia who, or whose parents or guardians (or at least one of them), are tax residents of the Republic of Slovenia at the time of the application³. - Persons granted international or temporary protection, and applicants for such protection who obtain this status by the beginning of the selection procedure. | until 16 September 2026 |
| Application period for still-available enrolment places | <p>from 22 until 23 September 2026 at 12. p.m. CET (this deadline also applies to supporting documents)</p> <p>Available enrolment places will be posted on 21 September 2026.</p> | <p>The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 23 September 2026 at 12. p.m. CET.</p> <p>After 23 September 2026 at 12. p.m. CET applications can no longer be altered or deleted.</p> <p>Applicants may submit one (1) application.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants who did not apply in the first application period. - Applicants who were not admitted to the selected study programme in the first application period. - Applicants who, in the first application period, applied for a study programme that will not be implemented. - Applicants who, in the first application period, applied for a study programme for which it is not yet known whether it will be implemented or not. - Applicants who wish to apply for part-time study programmes in the second application period. - Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners, provided that the faculty so decides and that, for enrolment, they do not require an interview or a recognition decision (see point 1.2 of these provisions). | until 30 September 2026 until 30 October 2026 for legitimate reasons based on a written request from the applicant |

2.2 Application deadlines for citizens of non-EU Member States – FOREIGNERS

FIRST APPLICATION PERIOD: from 31 March 2026 until 30 April 2026

The deadline for submitting supporting documents and completing previous education is determined internally by the faculties; however, it may not be set before 30 April 2026 for master's programmes conducted in English and not before 17 July 2026 for master's programmes conducted in Slovene and for doctoral programmes. The deadline for conducting an interview with a foreign candidate who is a national of a country with a higher migration risk is determined internally by the

³ Certificate of tax residency - proof from the Financial Administration of the Republic of Slovenia that the candidate or at least one of their parents or guardians is a resident of the Republic of Slovenia for tax purposes (valid for candidates who are not citizens of the Republic of Slovenia), available at: [eDavki - Certificate of tax residency \(natural persons\) \(durs.si\)](https://durs.si).

faculties, but no later than 18 May 2026. Faculties shall enrol candidates admitted in the first application period by the internal deadline set by each relevant faculty, however, no later than **1 July 2026** for master's programmes conducted in English and no later than **19 August 2026** for master's programmes conducted in Slovene and for doctoral programmes.

If enrolment places remain after the first application period and faculties decide to offer them, candidates may apply in the second application period. Information on enrolment places offered in the second application period will be posted on the [my.UM.si website](http://my.UM.si) on **21 August 2026**.

SECOND APPLICATION PERIOD: from 24 August 2026 until 4 September 2026

The deadline for submitting supporting documents for candidates who need the Decision on recognition of foreign education for the purpose of further education at the University of Maribor is **4 September 2026**, and the deadline for submitting supporting documents and completing previous education for candidates who do not need the Decision on recognition of foreign education for the purpose of further education at the University of Maribor is **23 September 2026 at 12 p.m. CET**. The deadline for conducting an interview with a foreign candidate who is a national of a country with a higher migration risk is determined internally by the faculties, but no later than **18 September 2026**. Faculties shall enrol candidates admitted in the second application period by the internal deadline set by each relevant faculty, however, no later than **30 September 2026**. If a candidate files a request for an extension of the enrolment deadline for legitimate reasons (to be decided on by competent faculty bodies), the enrolment deadline may be extended to **30 October 2026**. If a candidate submitted [the application for recognition of foreign academic qualifications](#) in due time, but it is nonetheless unreasonable to expect that the decision will be issued by **30 September 2026**, the candidate is advised to file [a written request for an extension of the deadline for enrolment for legitimate reasons](#) with the relevant faculty.

If enrolment places remain after the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States, faculties may decide to offer them in an additional **application period for still-available enrolment places** also to Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners; however, as per priority order, enrolment places are first filled by citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States, followed by Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and lastly by citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners. **Notwithstanding the decision of the faculty, it shall apply, that within the additional application period for still-available enrolment places, only Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, as well as citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners, may apply, provided that, for enrolment, they do not require a direct interview to assess the suitability of the candidate in accordance with the enrolment conditions of the study programme, as stipulated in the sixth paragraph of Article 13 of the Higher Education Act (ZViS-1), or that they have successfully completed such an interview within previous application periods, and provided that, for enrolment, they do not require a decision on the recognition of foreign education for the purpose of continuing education at the University of Maribor, or that they have already obtained such a decision.**

| Application period | Application deadline | Notice | Eligible applicants | Enrolment deadline |
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| First application period | from 31 March 2026 until 30 April 2026 | The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 30 April 2026. After 30 April 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted. | - Citizens of non-EU Member States. | until 1 July 2026 for master's programmes conducted in English; until 19 August 2026 for master's programmes conducted in |

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| | | Applicants may submit three (3) applications with equal priority. | | Slovene and for doctoral programmes |
| Second application period | from 24 August until 4 September 2026 Available enrolment places will be posted on 21 August 2026. | The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 4 September 2026. After 4 September 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted. Applicants may submit one (1) application. | - Applicants who did not apply in the first application period. - Applicants who were not admitted to the selected study programme in the first application period. - Applicants who wish to apply for part-time study programmes in the second application period. | until 30 September 2026 until 30 October 2026 for legitimate reasons based on a written request from the applicant |
| *Under certain conditions, candidates may also apply within the application period for still-available enrolment places if the faculty decides so (see Point 1.2 and 2.1). | | | | |

2.3 Application deadlines for Slovenians in the border regions and abroad

| Application period | Application deadline | Notice | Eligible applicants | Enrolment deadline |
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| MASTER'S STUDIES - enrolment places for Slovenians in the border regions and abroad are defined separately | | | | |
| First application period for master's studies | from 31 March 2026 until 4 September 2026 | The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 4 September 2026. After 4 September 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted. Applicants may submit three (3) applications with equal priority. | - Slovenians in the border regions and abroad. | until 30 September 2026 until 30 October 2026 for legitimate reasons based on a written request from the applicant |
| *Under certain conditions, candidates may also apply within the application period for still-available enrolment places if the faculty decides so (see Point 1.2 and 2.1). | | | | |
| DOCTORAL STUDIES - enrolment places are common to Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States (see Point 2.2). | | | | |
| First application period for doctoral studies | from 31 March 2026 until 30 April 2026 | The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 30 April 2026. After 30 April 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted. Applicants may submit three (3) applications with equal priority. | - Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners. | until 19 August 2026 |
| Second application period for doctoral studies | from 24 August until 4 September 2026 Available enrolment places will be posted on 21 August 2026. | The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 4 September 2026. After 4 September 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted. Applicants may submit one (1) application. | - Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners. | until 30 September 2026 until 30 October 2026 for legitimate reasons based on a written request from the applicant |
| *Under certain conditions, candidates may also apply within the application period for still-available enrolment places if the faculty decides so (see Point 1.2 and 2.1). | | | | |

2.4 Application deadlines for enrolment in a higher year of study and parallel studies

APPLICATION PERIOD FOR ENROLMENT IN A HIGHER YEAR OF STUDY AND PARALLEL STUDIES: from 1 September until 8 September 2026

The deadline for submitting supporting documents and completing previous education is determined internally by the faculties; however, it may not be set before 8 September 2026. The deadline for conducting an interview with a foreign candidate who is a national of a country with a higher migration risk is determined internally by the faculties, but no later than 18 September 2026. Faculties shall enrol candidates admitted in the application period for enrolment in a higher year of study and parallel studies by the internal deadline set by each relevant faculty, however, no later than 30 September 2026. If a candidate files a request for an extension of the enrolment deadline for legitimate reasons (to be decided on by competent faculty bodies), the enrolment deadline may be extended to 30 October 2026. If a candidate submitted the application for recognition of foreign academic qualifications in due time, but it is nonetheless unreasonable to expect that the decision will be issued by 30 September 2026, the candidate is advised to file a written request for an extension of the deadline for enrolment for legitimate reasons with the relevant faculty.

| Application period | Application deadline | Notice | Eligible applicants | Enrolment deadline |
|---|-------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Application period for enrolment in a higher year of study and parallel studies | from 1 until 8 September 2026 | <p>The final date for online submission of applications via eVŠ is 8 September 2026.</p> <p>After 8 September 2026 applications can no longer be altered or deleted.</p> <p>Applicants may submit three (3) applications with equal priority.</p> | <p>- Citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States.</p> <p>- Slovenians in the border regions and abroad.</p> <p>- Citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners.</p> | <p>until 30 September 2026</p> <p>until 30 October 2026 for legitimate reasons based on a written request from the applicant</p> |

3. ENROLMENT PLACES

Candidates may apply for postgraduate study programmes that carry a fixed number of available places for enrolment in the first year of study, for enrolment in the higher year of study, and for parallel studies (the latter only for second-cycle study programmes). Places are defined separately for full-time and part-time study modes and published in the tables attached to and considered an integral part of the Call (separately for second- and third-cycle study programmes and for different categories of candidates).

3.1 Places for enrolment in the first year of study

Places for enrolment in the first year of study are defined separately for:

- citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States;
- Slovenians in the border regions and abroad (*enrolment places are defined separately only for master's studies, for doctoral studies, enrolment places are common with enrolment places for citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners*);
- citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners (see note to previous indent).

Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners may enrol in postgraduate study programmes in accordance with the Rules on Tuition Fees and Accommodation in Student Dormitories for Slovenian Nationals without Slovenian Citizenship and

Foreigners in the Republic of Slovenia (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 77/16, 25/19, 56/22, and 56/25 – ZViS-1).

Enrolment places for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States are available to:

- citizens of the Republic of Slovenia;
- citizens of other EU Member States;
- citizens of non-EU Member States with permanent residence in the Republic of Slovenia who, or whose parents or guardians (or at least one of them), are tax residents of the Republic of Slovenia at the time of the application⁴;
- persons granted international protection and applicants for international protection in accordance with the International Protection Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 16/17 – official consolidated text, 54/21, and 42/23 – ZZSDT-D) and displaced persons granted temporary protection in accordance with the Temporary Protection of Displaced Persons Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No 22/25). The higher education institution obtains the proof of the status of a person granted international protection, an applicant for international protection, or a displaced person granted temporary protection from the competent authority (the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Slovenia) ex officio.

Citizens of Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland, though these are not EU Member States, are treated in the same way as citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States. As of the 2021/2022 academic year, citizens of the United Kingdom are enrolled as citizens of non-EU Member States and are charged a tuition fee.

Candidates who are already enrolled (in postgraduate study programmes of the University of Maribor or other higher education institutions) **and wish to change the study programme** apply for places for enrolment in the first year of study as all other candidates. This also applies to students who wish to change the study mode in the same study programme in the first year. Both shall submit their application for enrolment via the [eVŠ web portal](#).

Candidates who have already repeated a year or changed their full-time study programme may apply for full-time studies, but they shall be charged a tuition fee in accordance with Article 137 of the Higher Education Act - ZViS.

Candidates who want to **repeat** the first year of the study programme in which they enrolled in previous years **do not submit the application for enrolment via the eVŠ web portal**. In order to be re-enrolled in the same year of the study programme in which they are already enrolled, candidates must meet the conditions for a repeat year. Students receive information on the procedure and conditions of enrolment for a repeat year at their higher education institution.

Candidates may once reenrol in the same study programme in which they had already been enrolled and have withdrawn. The studies referred to in the previous sentence are subject to a tuition fee (Article 137(7) of the Higher Education Act). These candidates do not submit the application for enrolment via the eVŠ web portal but must submit an individual request directly to the faculty. For more information, candidates can contact the relevant faculty of the University of Maribor directly.

⁴ Certificate of tax residency - proof from the Financial Administration of the Republic of Slovenia that the candidate or at least one of their parents or guardians is a resident of the Republic of Slovenia for tax purposes (valid for candidates who are not citizens of the Republic of Slovenia), available at: [eDavki - Certificate of tax residency \(natural persons\) \(durs.si\)](#).

3.2 Places for enrolment in the higher year of study

Candidates apply for places for enrolment in a higher year of study if they wish to change a postgraduate study programme of the University of Maribor or any other higher education institution in which they are enrolled, or they were enrolled, and to enrol in another **similar** study programme.

Competent bodies of higher education institutions take into account **applications for enrolment in a higher year of study** in accordance with:

- **transfer criteria**, as referred to under respective study programmes for students wishing to change study programmes accredited after 11 June 2004 (Bologna study programmes), or
- **criteria for accelerated progression** for candidates who did not complete their previous (pre-Bologna) study programme and wish to enrol in the year equal or junior to the previous study programme, but not in the first year of study.

Candidates applying for enrolment in a higher year of study must also meet criteria for admission to the first year of study of the study programme they are applying for. The year the candidate may enrol in is determined by the higher education institution under the application and admission procedure based on the recognition of previously acquired knowledge, regardless of the year of study selected by the candidate in the application.

Candidates applying for enrolment in a higher year of study are advised to inquire about meeting the transfer criteria or criteria for accelerated progression in a timely manner in the student affairs office of the relevant faculty, where they will receive information on which supplemental documents, they must attach to the application for recognition of study obligations and about the recognition process itself.

Candidates who have already repeated a year or changed their study programme may apply for full-time studies, however, their studies are subject to a tuition fee in accordance with Article 137 of the Higher Education Act - ZViS. The tuition fee is not charged only if the student enrolls in a higher year than was previously enrolled at the same level of study.

Candidates may once reenrol in the same study programme in which they had already been enrolled and have withdrawn. The studies referred to in the previous sentence are subject to a tuition fee (Article 137(7) of the Higher Education Act). These candidates do not submit the application for enrolment via the eVŠ web portal but must submit an individual request directly to the faculty. For more information, candidates can contact the relevant faculty of the University of Maribor directly.

Places for enrolment in a higher year of study are available for enrolment to all candidates regardless of citizenship.

Candidates who want to **advance to a higher year of the study programme in which they enrolled do not submit the application for enrolment via the eVŠ web portal**. In order to be enrolled in the higher year of the study programme in which they are already enrolled, candidates must meet the conditions for advancement to a higher year of study. Students receive information on the procedure and conditions of enrolment for advancement to a higher year of study at their higher education institution.

3.3 Places for enrolment in parallel studies

Academic affairs commissions of faculty senates may allow **successful students** who meet the requirements for advancement to the next year and have an average grade of at least 8 in the first

year of studies to **take up parallel studies under two or more study programmes conducted by one or more faculties of the University of Maribor**. In exceptional cases, the commission may allow candidates with an outstanding academic record, which is one of the access requirements, to simultaneously enrol in the first year of two study programmes. Candidates must apply for enrolment places available for parallel studies, which are published in a separate table.

For enrolment in the first year of a parallel study programme, citizens of the Republic of Slovenia, citizens of the EU Member States, and Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, in accordance with Article 137 of the Higher Education Act, are not charged a tuition fee for full-time studies, provided they have not yet obtained an education corresponding to at least the level of education obtained under the study programme in which they are enrolling, and that they enrol in the parallel study programme before the commencement of the final year of the first study programme in which they are enrolled on a full-time basis and in which they have progressed regularly.

Places for enrolment in parallel studies are available for enrolment to all candidates regardless of citizenship.

4. ACCESS REQUIREMENTS AND BRIDGING EXAMINATION

Candidates who meet the access requirements laid down in accredited study programmes may apply for enrolment in postgraduate study programmes of the University of Maribor. Access requirements for individual study programmes are laid down in detailed **call texts issued by faculties** and are part of this Call.

In order to be admitted to a postgraduate study programme in **a field different from the one in which they graduated**, candidates must fulfil additional study obligations (**bridging examination**). These obligations, corresponding to 10-60 ECTS credits, will be determined based on differences between the candidates' field of expertise and the selected study programme. Candidates must pass these exams prior to enrolment.

Candidates are advised to request information on bridging examination from student affairs offices at relevant faculties as soon as possible. Student affairs offices will provide detailed information on exams and examination methods. Fees for bridging exams must be paid in accordance with the tariff list of the University of Maribor.

In some study programmes, candidates are expected to possess **knowledge of the language in which the study programme is conducted** at the level specified for the study programme in the call for enrolment. Information about the study programmes for which language proficiency is verified upon the application for enrolment is provided in the call for each study programme.

Higher education institutions shall conduct a **direct interview to assess the suitability of a candidate with regard to the access requirements of the study programme with any foreign national who has submitted an application for enrolment** in higher education studies in the Republic of Slovenia and who **comes from a country with a higher migration risk**, as determined by the list of countries whose nationals are required to hold visas when crossing the external borders of the European Union, in accordance with the legislation governing the conditions and procedures for the entry, exit and residence of foreign nationals in the Republic of Slovenia. Where a higher education institution has reasonable grounds to suspect that a candidate does not possess the knowledge demonstrated by the documents submitted with the application for enrolment, it shall reject the application. No appeal shall

be permitted against the decision of the higher education institution. Further information on the interview procedure is provided in chapter 8.

5. LIMITED ENROLMENT AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

If the number of applications exceeds the number of available enrolment places, the study programme is understood as having limited enrolment. In this case, candidates will be selected under a selection procedure based on criteria laid down in accredited study programmes. Unless otherwise specified by the selection criteria in the event of limited enrolment, if the number of ranked candidates exceeds the final available enrolment place, all such candidates shall be admitted.

If the number of applications for enrolment in master's study programmes exceeds the number of available enrolment places for less than 10%, a competent faculty body may decide whether the enrolment will be limited or not.

Candidates applying for a study programme for which **no decision on limited enrolment** has been made will be admitted if they meet the **access requirements** laid down in the accredited study programme.

Candidates applying for a study programme for which **a decision on limited enrolment** has been made will be admitted if they meet the **access requirements** laid down in the accredited study programme and will obtain **sufficient number of points** required for enrolment.

5.1 Posting information on study programmes with limited enrolment

Information on postgraduate study programmes with limited enrolment **after the first application period** will be available on the [my.UM.si website](https://my.um.si) on **16 June 2026 (instruction in English) and 12 August 2026 (instruction in Slovene)** for citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners and Slovenians in the border regions and abroad (for the latter only for the application for doctoral studies) and on **11 September 2026** for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States as well as Slovenians in the border regions and abroad (for the latter only for the application for master's studies).

Information on postgraduate study programmes with limited enrolment **after the second application period** for citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners and Slovenians in the border regions and abroad (for the latter only for the application for doctoral studies) will be available on the [my.UM.si website](https://my.um.si) on **25 September 2026**.

Information on postgraduate study programmes with limited enrolment **after the application period for still-available enrolment places** will be available on the [my.UM.si website](https://my.um.si) on **25 September 2026**.

5.2 Selection decision notification

Faculties of the University of Maribor will notify the candidates on the outcome of the selection procedure. The decisions on the result of the selection procedure will be published on the eVŠ web portal.

The candidate can access the decision on the result of the selection procedure on [the web eVŠ portal](https://my.um.si) with their user account. Documents and notifications will be served or forwarded to candidates for their information by postponing the document or notification to the eVŠ portal in accordance with

Article 57 of the Higher Education Act. The submission of the document or notification via the eVŠ portal is notified by an information notice sent to the candidate's e-mail address provided when applying for admission and by a message to the candidate's mobile phone number, if provided when applying for admission. The document or notification will be downloaded electronically from the eVŠ web portal after prior authentication. When a decision or any other document from which a time limit begins to run is delivered in person via the eVŠ portal, the candidate electronically confirms the electronic proof of service. The day of electronic confirmation of the electronic proof of service is the day the document shall be considered as delivered. If the document is not retrieved by the candidate within five days from the receipt of the information notice on the electronically sent document via the eVŠ portal, the document shall be considered as delivered on the day when this time limit expires.

Candidates admitted to a study programme for which a decision will be made after the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States that it will not be implemented due to an insufficient number of applications as well as candidates admitted to a study programme for which no definitive decision on the implementation in the 2026/2027 academic year will be possible to make after the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States will be informed upon enrolment or after the closing of the first application period for citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States at the latest. The notice will be posted on the [my.UM.si website](https://my.um.si).

5.3 Subsequent placement on the list of admitted applicants

The following candidates will subsequently be placed on the list of admitted applicants:

- Candidates who completed their previous education abroad, **pending a decision** in the **recognition procedure** in accordance with the Assessment and Recognition of Education Act. These candidates are admitted in accordance with the official decision on post-deadline enrolment **based on their request**. Detailed information on recognition procedure can be found in chapter 7.
- Candidates so listed following the **appeal procedure** or the **procedure with extraordinary legal remedies**.

Candidates who meet the general access requirements will be placed on the list of admitted applicants if they have at least the same number of points as the candidate ranked last on the list or if they have applied for enrolment in a study programme without limited enrolment.

Candidates granted a **status of a candidate with special needs** or **status of a candidate with special status** in the application and admission procedure for enrolment in the second-cycle (master's) study programmes will subsequently be placed on the list of admitted applicants if they meet the general access requirements and have attained at least 90% of the minimum number of points required for enrolment. Detailed information on recognition procedure can be found in chapter 6.

5.4 Expiration of admission and enrolment deadlines

An expired application deadline denotes that registration via the eVŠ web portal is no longer possible and that, in the event of limited enrolment, the candidates have been informed, the selection procedure has been completed, and that candidates have enrolled by the deadline set in points 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4 of this Call.

Enrolment takes place at the relevant faculties of the University of Maribor, which invite candidates in writing or online to enrol. Enrolment will be carried out on the basis of a completed application form.

If students who are enrolled in the first year of a postgraduate study programme for the first time withdraw from the programme by **15 October 2026** at the latest, it is considered they were never enrolled in the programme.

6. CANDIDATES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND SPECIAL STATUS IN THE APPLICATION AND ADMISSION PROCEDURE

During the application-enrolment procedure for second-cycle study programmes, candidates may apply for a status of a candidate with special needs or status of a candidate with special status on the basis of which they can be added to the list of candidates admitted post-deadline. However, they must nonetheless meet the access requirements laid down in the accredited study programme and achieve at least 90% of the required score.

6.1 Granting the status of a candidate with special needs and status of a candidate with special status in the application and admission procedure

Candidates apply for the status of a candidate with special needs or status of a candidate with special status by individual application, which must be accompanied by relevant supporting documents proving:

- **special needs** that arose by the end of their previous study (candidates with special needs are blind or partially sighted candidates or candidates with a visual impairment, deaf and hard-of-hearing candidates, deafblind candidates, candidates with speech impairments, candidates with specific learning difficulties, candidates with reduced mobility, candidates with a long-term illness, candidates with autism spectrum disorders, and candidates with psychological difficulties);
- **special status** that proves the status of a classified athlete, coach, recognised artist or cultural practitioner, as well as other candidates participating in (field-specific) international competitions in the period considered for admission. An outstanding achievement by the candidate is considered as participation in international competitions. Candidates with special status are also those who become parents at the time of application or have already become parents during the period considered for admission.

The application must be sent by registered mail to the relevant faculty implementing the programme the candidate is applying to by **15 September 2026** at the latest. In exceptional cases, applications may be submitted post-deadline, however, only if circumstances justifying the special status occurred after the deadline. **The envelope must be clearly marked: “Za Komisijo za prošnje in pritožbe v prijavnem postopku Univerze v Mariboru” (to the Commission for Requests and Appeals in the Application Procedure of the University of Maribor).**

Candidates apply for the status of a candidate with special needs or status of a candidate with special status only once, even if they submit more than one application for enrolment. **The decision on the conferral of special status is valid for all applications even if submitted to different faculties.**

The conferral of the status **is decided upon by the Commission for Requests and Appeals in the Application Procedure of the University of Maribor which notifies the candidate and the relevant faculty in writing.** Decisions of the Commission for Requests and Appeals in the Application Procedure concerning candidates with special needs and special status **apply to all faculties of the University of Maribor, however, they have effect only on the application and enrolment procedure under this Call for Enrolment** in the first and second application periods and in the application period for still-available enrolment places.

7. PROCEDURE FOR RECOGNITION OF EDUCATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA FOR CANDIDATES WITH A FOREIGN EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

Candidates who prove the fulfilment of access requirements with foreign previous education are hereby informed that their proof of completed education is subject to recognition under the Assessment and Recognition of Education Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 87/11, 97/11 – corr. and 109/12). Along with the application, the candidates are required to submit the decision on the recognition of foreign academic qualifications.

- Candidates who have already obtained a decision on the recognition of foreign academic qualifications follow the instructions for the submission of supporting documents demonstrating fulfilment of access requirements and submit the decision along with the required supporting documents to the faculty implementing the study programme they are applying for.
- Candidates who have not yet obtained a decision on the recognition of foreign academic qualifications are hereby informed that the **online application form for enrolment in postgraduate study programmes submitted via [the eVŠ web portal](#) also serves as an application for the initiation of the procedure for recognition of foreign academic qualifications. Candidates who submit an incomplete application for enrolment or application for recognition of education for the purpose of continuing education will individually receive additional information on the request and the deadline to supplement the application electronically via the eVŠ web portal. The document or notification will be downloaded electronically from the eVŠ web portal after prior authentication. It is considered that the candidate has familiarized themselves with the content of the document or the notification by registering in the eVŠ portal. When the document is delivered in person via the eVŠ portal, the candidate electronically confirms the electronic proof of service. The day of electronic confirmation of the electronic proof of service is the day the document shall be considered as delivered. If the document is not retrieved by the candidate within five days from the receipt of the information notice on the electronically sent document via the eVŠ portal, the document shall be considered as delivered on the day when this time limit expires.**

7.1 Supporting documents required for the recognition procedure

1. An e-copy/scan or photograph of the **certificate(s) of education** which the candidate wants to be recognised for consideration in the application and selection procedure; without legalisation. The authenticity of certificates will be checked with the issuer of the original document by the higher education institution. **In the event that the higher education institution is unable to confirm the authenticity of the document, the candidate will be called on to provide:**

The original certificate proving an education completed abroad and is legalised according to the regulations and according to the country of origin. Legalisation requirements according to the country of origin of the certificate:

- Without legalisation: Austria, Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Croatia, Hungary, Romania, North Macedonia, and Serbia.
 - An Apostille: [Signatories of the Hague Apostille Convention](#). [Competent authorities in the countries, signatories of the HCCH](#).
 - Verification of Documents in International Transport Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 9/17): all other countries not mentioned above.
2. An e-copy/scan or photograph of a court-certified **translation of the education certificate** from point 1 into Slovene or English. In the event that the candidate is required to send a translation of the document, they will be invited to do so at a later stage on the eVŠ web portal.

3. An e-copy/scan or photograph of **the contents and duration of education** and of the fulfilled study requirements during education. In the event that the candidate is required to send a translation of the proof document, they will be invited to do so at a later stage on the eVŠ web portal.
4. An e-copy/scan or photograph of a **short chronological description of the entire education** relevant to the application procedure for enrolment and recognition of foreign education (write down by year the course of your education in a few sentences).
5. An e-copy/scan or photograph of **the document proving that the candidate has passed a Slovenian language exam at the appropriate level** or other relevant proof – only in cases where this is an enrolment condition for the study programme. More information about other relevant proof is available in the call text for each study programme.
6. An e-copy/scan or photograph of **the personal document**⁵ on the basis of the written consent of the candidate:
 - citizens of the EU Member States: identity card or passport (page with personal data of the candidate, which should show the name, surname, date and place of birth and citizenship),
 - citizens of non-EU Member States: passport (page with personal data of the candidate, showing name, surname, date and place of birth and citizenship).
7. **Additional proof:** the education recognition authority may require the applicant to provide additional proof, if this is necessary to assess the application. In this case, the candidate will be invited to provide it at a later stage on the eVŠ web portal.

The required documents should be submitted on the eVŠ web portal by the deadline for completion. Subsequent supplementations and changes are not possible. It is considered that documents have been submitted in time if they are submitted by registered mail no later than the day of the deadline for completion.

The list of required documents may vary depending on the country where the education certificate was issued; therefore, in order to obtain more detailed information concerning the list of mandatory documents or additional information on the procedure, candidates are advised to contact the **authorised person at the University of Maribor** (contact information: University of Maribor, Slomškov trg 15, 2000 Maribor, phone: +386 2 23 55 263, e-mail: recognition@um.si, [my.UM.si website](http://my.UM.si), office hours: Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m.

The deadline for issuing a decision on recognition in accordance with the Assessment and Recognition of Education Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 87/11, 97/11 – corr. and 109/12) **is no later than two months after the date of receipt of a complete application.** Applicants must comply with the deadlines for the submission of evidence of compliance with the access requirements in the application and admission procedure. Applications that are not completed by the deadline in accordance with the call for completion will be rejected in accordance with the General Administrative Procedure Act, and applications will not be included in the selection procedure.

If a candidate submitted the application in due time, but it is nonetheless unreasonable to expect that the decision will be issued by 30 September 2026, the candidate is advised to file a request for an extension of the deadline for enrolment for legitimate reasons with the relevant faculty.

⁵ Appendix is not required. If the higher education application and information service or higher education institution needs access to an identity document to establish the identity and citizenship of an individual, they will be invited to enable this access. The competent authority of the higher education institution is obliged to obtain and verify the evidence required for applying for enrolment and recognition of education for the purpose of continuing education, as determined by the regulations governing proof that the access requirements are met, and documentation is to be attached to the application for recognition of education.

8. INTERVIEW FOR ASSESSING THE SUITABILITY OF APPLICANTS FROM HIGHER MIGRATION-RISK COUNTRIES

Higher education institutions shall conduct a **direct interview to assess the suitability of a candidate with regard to the access requirements of the study programme with any foreign national who has submitted an application for enrolment** in higher education studies in the Republic of Slovenia and who **comes from a country with a higher migration risk**, as determined by the list of countries whose nationals are required to hold visas when crossing the external borders of the European Union, in accordance with the legislation governing the conditions and procedures for the entry, exit and residence of foreign nationals in the Republic of Slovenia⁶.

Where a higher education institution has reasonable grounds to suspect that a candidate does not possess the knowledge demonstrated by the documents submitted with the application for enrolment, it shall reject the application. No appeal shall be permitted against the decision of the higher education institution. By means of a rejection decision, all procedures related to the candidate's application for enrolment shall be terminated in their entirety.

Where, following the interview, the higher education institution determines that the candidate meets the access requirements of the study programme, it shall record the successful completion of the interview in eVŠ and proceed with the substantive and administrative processing of the application.

Any costs incurred by the faculty in conducting the interview abroad or online shall be borne in full by the candidate.

Further information on the conduct of the interview procedure may be obtained by candidates from the faculty of the University of Maribor at which they wish to continue their studies.

9. DOCTORAL STUDIES

In accordance with Article 12 of the Rules and Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the University of Maribor No. 012/2018/1 with amendments, **candidates are advised to choose, as a rule, a working supervisor and narrow area of research, and prepare a framework programme of doctoral studies prior to enrolment** (Annex 14 to the Rules and Regulations on Doctoral Studies at the UM).

Upon enrolment in doctoral studies, a doctoral student shall conclude an **Agreement on Studies and Supervision Within a Third-Cycle Study Programme** with the member implementing the doctoral study programme (or with members in the case of an inter-faculty study programme). The agreement shall specify the name of the working supervisor, content plan and time schedule of doctoral studies, as well as responsibilities and obligations of the signatories. By signing the agreement, the signatories shall commit to cooperate in the implementation of the doctoral study programme in accordance with the accredited study programme, and with the content plan and time schedule of doctoral studies. In addition, the agreement lays down the payment method for costs associated with doctoral studies.

⁶ [List of countries whose nationals are required to hold visas when crossing the external borders of the European Union, in accordance with the legislation governing the conditions and procedures for the entry, exit and residence of foreign nationals in the Republic of Slovenia.](#)

10. TUITION FEES AND PAYMENT OF COSTS RELATED TO POSTGRADUATE STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR

Tuition fees under postgraduate studies are charged for:

- part-time second-cycle (master's) study programmes;
- full-time second-cycle (master's) study programmes for candidates who have already acquired qualifications corresponding to at least the second-cycle according to the Klasius classification, and for candidates who have not yet acquired qualifications corresponding to at least the second-cycle according to the Klasius classification, providing they have already exercised their right to free study;
- full-time second-cycle (master's) study programmes for the part exceeding the scope of the study programme necessary to obtain an education;
- full-time studies after re-enrolment in the same study programme or study option, if the candidate's status has ceased due to withdrawal from this study programme or study option;
- third-cycle (doctoral) study programmes, except if co-funding is already provided in the budget of the Republic of Slovenia.

Tuition fees shall not be charged for one parallel full-time study programme at the same level, whether first- or second-cycle, provided as a public service financed from public funds, where the student enrolls in the parallel study programme before the commencement of the final year of the first study programme in which they have been enrolled on a full-time basis and in which they have progressed regularly. The tuition fee is also not charged if the student has already exercised the right to repeat a year or change the study programme or study option but has enrolled in a higher year than was previously enrolled at the same level of study.

Upon first enrolment, students paying the tuition fee conclude a **training agreement** with the relevant faculty. Upon enrolling in the next year of study, an annex is added to the training agreement. Taking into account specific features of their study programmes, faculties formulate the content of the agreement in greater detail, inter alia also the payment method (single payment or payment by instalments), a lower fee or exemption from fees, method of recovery in accordance with these instructions, default interest rates and reimbursement of the tuition fee in the event of withdrawal from studies.

If a doctoral candidate decides to conduct experimental research the costs of which exceed certain standards and cannot be financed from the tuition fee, the parties conclude an annex to the agreement on studies and supervision within a third-cycle study programme for the conduct of individual research work.

Additional information on the financing of postgraduate studies is available on [the my.UM.si website](https://my.um.si).

10.1 Tuition fee payment in the event of withdrawal from the study programme

If the student who enrolled in the University of Maribor withdraws up to and including October 15 of the current academic year, the contributions paid at the time of enrolment and the tuition fee will be fully refunded.

Students enrolled in second-cycle (master's) programmes are obliged to pay a part of the tuition fee in the event of withdrawal from the programme as follows:

- 20 % of the tuition fee, if they withdraw by 31 October of the current academic year;
- 50 % of the tuition fee, if they withdraw by 31 December of the current academic year;
- 100 % of the tuition fee, if they withdraw after 1 January of the current academic year.

Doctoral students are obliged to pay a part of the tuition fee in the event of withdrawal from the programme as follows:

- 50 % of the tuition fee, if they withdraw after 31 October, but at the latest until 31 January of the current academic year;
- 100 % of the tuition fee, if they withdraw after 1 February of the current academic year.

Exceptions regarding the refund of part or the entire tuition fee and contributions upon enrolment for legitimate reasons are defined in Articles 20 and 21 of the Instructions on Contributions and Evaluation of Costs at the University of Maribor.

Students are obliged to pay all financial obligations incurred with regard to their training until the date of completion of the study programme or until being served the leaving certificate certifying the departure from the University of Maribor.

10.2 Explanation regarding the payment of tuition fees for second-cycle (master's) study programmes

Tuition fees may not be charged to **citizens of the Republic of Slovenia, Slovenians in the border regions and abroad, and citizens of other EU Member States** for education in state-approved second-cycle study programmes provided as a public service financed by public funds. Citizens of **Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland**, though these are not EU Member States, are treated in the same way as citizens of the Republic of Slovenia and other EU Member States. Based on the signed protocols on cooperation in the field of education, citizens of **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo, North Macedonia, and Serbia** enjoy a status equal to that enjoyed by the citizens of Slovenia and other EU Member States as regards payment of tuition fees for enrolment in the 2026/2027 academic year, which means that they are exempt from payment of tuition fees for full-time studies as applicable to foreign citizens.⁷ Under the same conditions as citizens of the Republic of Slovenia, citizens of non-EU Member States may also pursue higher education at higher education institutions in the Republic of Slovenia, provided that they have permanent residence in the Republic of Slovenia and that they themselves, or at least one of their parents or legal guardians, are tax residents of the Republic of Slovenia prior to the commencement of the selection procedure, in accordance with the law governing personal income tax.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, citizens of all above-mentioned countries are charged a tuition fee if they have already attained an educational qualification corresponding at least to the level of education obtained upon completion of the study programme in which they are enrolled, or if they have not yet attained an educational qualification corresponding at least to the level of education obtained upon completion of the study programme in which they are enrolled and have already exhausted the entitlement referred to in the second or third indent of the first paragraph of Article 111 of the Higher Education Act (i.e. they have already changed the study programme or the study option, or repeated any year at the same level of study), unless they enrol in a higher year than that in which they were previously enrolled at the same level of study.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the tuition fee is not charged to any of the aforementioned persons for one parallel full-time study programme at the same level, first or second, which is provided as a public service funded from public funds, provided that the student

⁷ A protocol with the Republic of Albania on education is being prepared to exempt Albanian citizens from paying tuition fees for full-time studies. Citizens of the Republic of Albania apply for enrolment in places designated for citizens of non-EU Member States. If the protocol on education is adopted by the beginning of the 2026/2027 academic year, citizens of the Republic of Albania will be exempt from paying tuition fees for full-time studies, subject to the principle of reciprocity.

enrols in the parallel study programme no later than the commencement of the final year of the first study programme, in which they have progressed regularly and in which they were enrolled on a full-time basis.

A person whose student status has ceased due to withdrawal from a study programme or a study option may re-enrol in this study programme or study option once. For the study referred to in the preceding sentence, tuition fee is charged in accordance with the seventh paragraph of Article 137 of the Higher Education Act.

Citizens of non-EU Member States are required to pay a tuition fee in accordance with the *Rules on Tuition Fees and Accommodation in Student Dormitories for Slovenians without Slovenian Citizenship and Foreign Nationals in the Republic of Slovenia* (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 77/16, 25/19, 56/22, and 56/25 – ZViS-1). **As of the 2021/2022 academic year, citizens of the United Kingdom are enrolled as citizens of non-EU Member States and are charged a tuition fee.** The amount of the tuition fee for citizens of non-EU Member States – foreigners is determined by the amount of the tuition fee for Slovene citizens for part-time study programmes.