

## **The Rector of Palacký University in Olomouc hereby announces the opening of the 12th Annual Student Grant Competition at Palacký University**

The objective of the Student Grant Competition is to enhance projects performed by students of the Doctoral or Master's Study Programme and funded from the allocations for specific higher education research projects. A student of the Doctoral Study Programme, Palacký University being the doctoral student training unit, or a member of the academic staff of Palacký University shall be the leading researcher in the student project. Further, the research team may include students of the Doctoral or Master's Study Programme or academics, scientists, researchers and developers. The number of students of the Doctoral or Master's Study Programme in the research team shall equal to at least the number of other members of the research team. In the case that the leading researcher is a student of the Doctoral Study Programme, it is required that their supervisor be a member of the research team.

**The competition shall be governed by the guidelines set out by the Directive of the Rector No. B3-13/7-SR (full version).**

Each researcher can submit **only 1 project** in the competition.

The number of participants in a research team shall be limited to 50 persons.

**The 12th annual competition does not allow for any requests for capital goods.**

### **Time schedule of the competition:**

Opening of the competition	19th November 2020
Competition period	19th November 2020 - 18th January 2021 (5 p.m.)
Evaluation period	19th January - 26 February 2021
Start of the research projects	March 2021
Deadline for the submission of report	15th January (multiple-year projects) 15th January (one-year projects)
Public external review of the final reports	until 25th March 2022

Applications shall only be submitted electronically via the OBD Portal of Palacký University at <http://obd.upol.cz>. The same login and password used to log in the UP Portal shall be entered. The guidebook for the application, the Directive, this announcement and the formal criteria for assessment are available after the log-in on the main page of IGA and FRUP tab.

The deadline for the submission of applications: **18th January 2021, 5 p.m.**

Projects, including compulsory appendices, shall be submitted in Czech, Slovak or the English language.

Each project shall comprise the following compulsory appendices:

**1) Project description** - including planned research activities, their expected outcomes and the time schedule of the research activities. There is not any prescribed form of the document except for its length being limited to the maximum of 10 pages.

**2) Research team characteristics** - it should comprise the CVs of all members of the research team and their previous achievements. The number of pages of the appendix is not limited. The research team shall be limited to 50 persons.

3) In the case that the leading researcher is a student, the appendix must include the written consent of the supervisor and other members of the research team stating their approval with the terms of the project and with their participation in the research project.

Further optional appendices may be included.

All appendices must have .doc, .docx, .rtf format (MS Word document) or .pdf (Adobe Acrobat document).

**The 12th Annual Student Grant Competition priority topics and conditions as listed by individual faculties:**

#### **The Faculty of Law**

##### Priority topics:

- Law and society
- Current interpretative challenges in Czech law
- Law and modern challenges in technology
- Law in the service of democracy

##### Financial limits

##### Standard projects

- maximum CZK 450,000
- maximum CZK 150,000 per project member, total costs of the project divided by the number of persons in the research team must not exceed CZK 150,000 per person

##### Above-standard projects (students of the Doctoral Study Programme being the leading researchers)

- maximum CZK 600,000
- maximum amount of scholarship up to CZK 100,000 per student per year, maximum amount of remuneration for the supervisor of the student of the Doctoral Study Programme up to CZK 15,000 per year, maximum amount of remuneration for a mentor up to CZK 10,000 per year
- in the second year of the project it is possible to apply only costs for the scholarship and remuneration of researchers and co-researchers and to apply edition costs to issue a publication or other editorial work (e.g. translations, proofreading)

##### Duration of the project

- 2 years

##### Project researchers

- a student of full-time and combined type of the Doctoral Study Programme

- a member of the academic staff
- a student of the Master's Study Programme can also be a co-researcher

Additional costs (overhead costs to be covered by the faculty)

- **20%** of the total costs

Additional conditions

- In the case of multiple-year projects a student of the Doctoral Study Programme can be a leading researcher in only one project. This limitation does not exclude participation in other projects as a co-researcher.
- In the case of multiple-year projects a member of the academic staff can be a leading researcher or a co-researcher in only one project. This limitation does not apply for the supervisor who can be a co-researcher in multiple projects running simultaneously.
- In the case that a member of the academic staff is the leading researcher, participation of a student in the project must be real (not only formal in order to fulfil the conditions of the project) and the extent and mode of the student's participation in the research must follow the specifications in the project application (share in the outcomes etc.). Projects with no intended outcome of a student researcher shall be inadmissible. The student researcher must participate in the project outcomes at least as a co-author.
- The CV of each member of the research team shall not exceed 2 pages (A4-format).
- Each student participating in the IGA project as a leading researcher or co-researcher is obliged to file the application for own work and to defend it in the Student Research and Professional Activities Competition at least once within the course of the project duration.
- The requested amount of personal costs for members of the academic staff must correspond with their real share in the fulfilment of the project tasks and the amount of personal costs for members of the academic staff must be explained in the project application (the mode and extent of their participation and their intended share in the fulfilment of the project tasks).
- Foreign travel costs must be duly justified - by specifying the visited institutions at the given place and giving reasons for visiting them (explaining why the particular foreign travel to the particular place is essential for the project).
- The cost of office supplies shall not exceed CZK 10,000 per project/year.
- In the case that the project application is submitted by a leading researcher in another running IGA project (a finishing project), the application must contain a report on the project implementation and a list of the completed outcomes of the project.
- Additional rules applying for the above-standard projects:
  - a) The project application shall comprise a cover letter and a letter of recommendation by at least one internal member of the academic staff of the Faculty of Law of Palacký University.
  - b) It is expected that the leading researcher shall fulfil the project tasks beyond the scope of his/her study duties specified within the individual study plan - in the extent and quality that justifies the requested amount of scholarship. Minimum publication output in the project shall be 50 points over the duration of the project (2 years).
  - c) It is also expected that at least some of the project outcomes will comprise an international overlap (publishing abroad, contribution at a foreign

conference, consulting the outcomes during a visit at a foreign research institution). Publication or a contribution at a conference or a research stay in the Slovak Republic shall not be considered an international overlap. The same stands for publication or a contribution at a conference in a foreign language in the Czech Republic.