

THE UNIVERSITY OF RIJEKA, FACULTY OF LAW

on 25 March 2026 announces

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

for enrolment in the Doctoral Study Programme in the Field of Social Sciences, the Subject of Law (hereinafter: the Doctoral Study) in the academic year 2026/2027, which is completed with 180 ECTS and leads to the title of the doctor of social sciences (dr. socio.).

The Regulations on the Doctoral Study Programme in the Field of Social Sciences, the Subject of Law of the Faculty of Law in Rijeka of 17 September 2025 (hereinafter: the Regulations) is available at the Faculty web pages accessible via: https://pravri.uniri.hr/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Pravilnik_o_Doktorskom.pdf.

Enrolment Requirements

Applicant fulfilling the following requirements is eligible for enrolment as a doctoral student:

1. The applicant has completed the integrated undergraduate and graduate university study of law (mag. iur.) or graduate university study of law (dipl. iur.). The Study Council may exceptionally permit the enrolment to an applicant who did not complete the university study of law in accordance with the conditions set in Art. 9 of the Regulations;
2. The applicant meets at least one of the following requirements:
 - a) The applicant's average grade is 3,5 or higher:
 - at the completed integrated undergraduate and graduate university study of law or graduate university study of law;
 - at the completed postgraduate master study in legal science;
 - at the completed first year of the postgraduate study of law or other science in which all study obligations at the first year have been fulfilled by the applicant;
 - at the completed the postgraduate specialist study; or
 - b) The applicant has published, as the only author or one of the two or three authors, three scientific or professional papers, out of which at least one is scientific paper recognised under the rules on conditions for election to scientific titles for the election to the scientific title in the field of law.
3. The applicant has command of the English language and no less than one more foreign language;
4. The applicant has submitted the proposal of the Doctoral Study Plan;
5. The applicant has submitted the consent of the mentor whose publications are adjacent to the proposed topic of the doctoral thesis, out of which no less than one has to be the Faculty teacher;
6. The applicant has submitted recommendations from two university professors of law or other renown lawyers; and
7. The applicant is capable of defending his or her Doctoral Study Plan before the committee for the interview of the applicant as part of the Doctoral Study admission procedure.

Tuition Fee and Enrolment Fees

1. In accordance with Art. 15 of the Regulations, the tuition fee amounts to EUR9,000.00, what inter alia includes expenses related to the defence of the thesis and enrolment procedure. Tuition fee may be reduced provided that prior to admission the student fulfilled study obligations which may be recognised at admission and/or under the conditions of excellence in the course of studying (precise calculation depends on the particular circumstances of each candidate may be requested at the lower indicated e-mail addresses or phone number). Payment of tuition fee is periodical, payable at enrolment in a semester.
2. Amount of tuition fee for the differential study is EUR20.00 for 1 ECTS, and for the final scientific research part of the studies EUR50.00 for 1 ECTS.
3. Students are entitled to scholarship according to Art. 16 of the Regulation.
4. Alumni who completed the integrated Law Study Programme at the Faculty of Law of the University of Rijeka are also entitled to scholarship according to the Regulations on Awarding the Students.

Application Deadlines

There are two enrolment periods.

The deadline for submitting an application for enrolment in the winter semester of the 2026/2027 is 31 July 2026.

The deadline for submitting an application for enrolment in the summer semester of the 2026/2027 is 31 January 2027.

Application

Application, along with attachments, is submitted personally in the Dean's Office, by registered mail addressed to: Pravni fakultet u Rijeci, Hahlić 6, HR-51000 Rijeka (with the subject: application to Doctoral Study Programme), or by e-mail sent to the address ridoc@pravri.uniri.hr (with the subject: application to Doctoral Study Programme).

The list of mandatory attachments to the application:

1. Application Form;
2. Copy of the diploma from the graduate study and other studies referred to in ad. 2 of the enrolment requirements, to the extent the applicant relies on them. The applicant who earned his or her university diploma from the foreign university has to submit also the decree from the competent authority on academic recognition of the foreign education qualification and period of study;
3. Transcript of grades at the graduate study and other studies referred to in ad. 2 of the enrolment requirements, to the extent the applicant relies on them;
4. The proposal of the Doctoral Study Plan;
5. The consent by the proposed mentor to the proposal of the Doctoral Study Plan;
6. The list of publications by the proposed mentor;
7. The proposal of 4 elective courses which the applicant wishes to enrol into;
8. The proposal of one or more potential scientific institutions abroad in which the applicant intends to carry out the research stay;
9. Confirmation or the applicant's statement on the command of the foreign languages, one being the English language;
10. Copy of the birth certificate and certificate of nationality or an equivalent document for foreigners (foreign nationals shall submit birth certificate and proof of nationality);
11. One photograph (4X6 cm);
12. Two recommendations from two university professors of law or other renown lawyers;
13. The applicant's curriculum vitae with his or her address and other contact details (e-mail, telephone number);
14. The applicant's statement that he or she will personally pay the tuition fee or certified statement by the applicant's employee or other entity which intends to pay the tuition fee;
15. Copy of the papers and conference abstracts, to the extent the applicant relies on them; and
16. Other documents, to the extent the applicant relies on them.

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