

UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST

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**REGULATION ON THE ORGANISATION AND CONDUCT
OF THE ADMISSION COMPETITION
FOR DOCTORAL STUDIES**

2026

I. General provisions

Art. 1

In accordance with Law no. 199/2023 on Higher Education, as subsequently amended and supplemented, at the University of Bucharest (hereinafter, U.B.), the doctoral study programmes fall into the category of scientific doctorate funded from the state budget (tuition-free) or on a tuition-fee basis and are organised only for full-time and for part-time(low-frequency) forms of education. The related grants include the quantum of the individual scholarships for full-time education.

Art. 2

(1) The admission competition for all doctoral schools (hereinafter referred to as "doctoral schools") of the U.B. shall be conducted in accordance with the legislation in force, based on the provisions of O.M.E. no. 3020/2024 for the approval of the Framework Regulation on doctoral studies, with subsequent amendments and completions, of O.M.E. no. 3693/2024 for the approval of the Framework Methodology on the organisation of the admission to higher education for short-term, bachelor's, master's and doctoral cycles and of this Regulation.

(2) The doctoral schools that organise the doctoral admission competitions shall ensure their transparency and guarantee the candidates' access to information on the selection and admission procedures, in accordance with the legal provisions. The doctoral schools bring these to the attention of those interested by displaying them transparently and posting them on their website (hereinafter generically referred to as "display").

(3) Information regarding the organisation of the competition for admission to doctoral studies shall be posted at the headquarters of the institution as well as on the official website of the Institution Organizing Doctoral Studies – University of Bucharest (hereinafter, I.O.D.S. – U.B.) at least 30 days before its organisation.

(4) The management of doctoral schools shall ensure transparency in informing the candidates, by displaying, within the legal term, the topics and bibliographies related to the vacant doctoral grants for which an admission competition is organised.

Art. 3

The doctoral admission competition includes the following stages:

- a) the registration of the candidates;
- b) the selection of candidates for the positions financed from the state budget by doctoral grants and for those on a fee-paying regime;
- c) the distribution of candidates on the positions financed from the state budget through doctoral grants and on those on a fee-paying regime;
- d) the display / posting of the results of the admission competition and the solving of the appeals, in the event there are any.

Art. 4

(1) Admission to doctoral studies is usually carried out in the July session, for all doctoral schools. If there are still available positions after the July session, a new session may be organised in September, with the approval of the Council for Doctoral Studies (hereinafter, C.S.U.D.).

(2) Exceptionally, at the request of the doctoral school and with the approval of the C.S.U.D., only one admission session may be organised in September.

II. The Admission calendar

Art. 5

The periods for registration and for the conduct of the admission competition for doctoral studies are in accordance with the framework calendar approved by the U.B. Senate, which becomes an annex to this Regulation. Doctoral schools establish their own calendars in compliance with the provisions of the framework calendar and may derogate from it in justified situations, with the approval of the C.S.U.D.

III. Preparation for the admission competition

Art. 6

Following the consultation of the doctoral supervisors, based on the calendar approved by the U.B. Senate, the doctoral schools notify the C.S.U.D. and post on their website the offer of thematic areas in which the doctoral supervisors from the respective schools can supervise doctoral theses in the following academic year, as well as the availability to supervise doctoral theses in languages of international circulation, if applicable.

Art.7

(1) After the C.S.U.D. distributes, based on the positions allocated by the Ministry of Education and Research, the positions financed from the state budget and those on a fee-paying regime, the doctoral supervisors propose research themes/topics for each vacant position, and the council of the doctoral school approves them, taking into account the maximum number of doctoral students that can be supervised by a doctoral supervisor, established by the U.B. Senate.

(2) In the procedure for the approval of the proposed research topics, for quality assurance, a balanced load will be pursued for each doctoral supervisor and the institutional strategy for financing some priority fields and areas of interest will be taken into account, as well as the priorities established by each doctoral school in order to increase the visibility of the fields and areas of excellence.

(3) The number of topics related to the doctoral grants approved by the council of the doctoral school may be higher than the number of positions allocated by the C.S.U.D. and shall be displayed at least 30 days before the admission competition.

Art. 8

(1) The councils of the doctoral schools shall elaborate and adopt by the end of January their own Regulation on the admission competition, which shall be endorsed by the faculty councils and shall then be submitted to the approval of the C.S.U.D.

(2) The Regulation on the admission competition of each doctoral school must necessarily include provisions regarding:

a) the form and content of the admission competition, including the structure of the tests within it and the organisation of one or more admission commissions or subcommittees;

b) the criteria for evaluating and selecting candidates according to the general characteristics of the vacant positions for doctoral student put out to competition, the level of general professional training and in the field of the topic, the previous scientific experience reflected in studies, presentations at conferences, scientific publications, etc.;

c) the rights and obligations incumbent on the doctoral student following the occupying by admission of the respective position;

d) at least 3 criteria for separating the candidates;

e) the possibility/conditions for holding the admission competition online;

- f) the doctoral schools that organize the admission within several subcommittees shall explicitly provide for the manner in which the classification of all candidates in a doctoral field is carried out on a single list, in descending order of the general averages obtained by them;
 - g) the manner of solving the appeals to the written exams, if applicable;
 - h) the deadline for submitting the last graduation certificate, as well as the documents corresponding to the original of the candidate admitted on the spot financed from the budget.
- (3) After the approval by the C.S.U.D. and the approval in the U.B. Senate, the Regulation on the admission of the I.O.S.U.D. – U.B. shall be displayed on the bulletin board and on the website of the doctoral schools, together with the own Regulation on the admission of the doctoral schools, approved by the C.S.U.D.

Art. 9

Candidates declared admitted to doctoral studies after each admission session within the respective doctoral school will confirm their position within three days from the end of the admission session.

Art. 10

- (1) Until the date requested by the Board of Directors (hereinafter, B.D.) of the U.B., the councils of the doctoral schools shall designate the admission committees and the committees for the solving of appeals, ensuring an adequate representation of the subfields and directions in which the admission to the doctorate is organised.
- (2) The members of these committees shall be selected, as a rule, from among the titular doctoral supervisors of the doctoral school. Affiliated or emeritus doctoral supervisors can included in these committees, as well.
- (3) The composition of the committees shall be endorsed by the faculty councils, by the C.S.U.D. and by the Board of Directors and then submitted for approval to the U.B. Senate.

Art. 11

- (1) Following the announcement by the Ministry of Education and Research of the number of positions financed from the state budget through doctoral grants, and their allocation, for each doctoral school, by the C.S.U.D., the council of the doctoral school shall inform the supervisors who have announced vacant positions of the number of doctoral grants allocated.

(2) If the number of positions is lower than the number of vacancies announced by the doctoral school, the competition will be held for all the vacant positions proposed by the doctoral school.

(3) Following the admissions competition, candidates will be ranked in descending order according to their average. Those with a minimum average of 7 (seven) who fall within the limit of positions allocated by the C.S.U.D. will be declared admitted to the vacant doctoral grant positions for which they have applied.

IV. General conditions for registration in the competition

Art. 12

(1) Candidates who cumulatively meet the following conditions may apply for admission to doctoral studies:

- a) they are graduates with a Master's Diploma or a diploma equivalent to it, according to the law;
- b) the cumulative number of transferable study credits acquired for the Bachelor's and Master's study programmes cycles must be at least 300 transferable credits (hereinafter, E.C.T.S.);
- c) are graduates with a Bachelor's diploma or equivalent in the "full-time" form of education (Bachelor's diploma of graduates of 5 or 6-year study programmes), issued until the year of graduation of the first Bachelor's study programmes' promotion organised in accordance with the provisions of Law no. 288/2004 on the organisation of university studies, with subsequent amendments and completions (long-term education).

(2) Graduates of studies carried out abroad and recognised by the specialised directorate within the Ministry of Education and Research as Master's study programmes may also apply for the admission competition, and the cumulative number of transferable study credits acquired for the Bachelor's and Master's study programmes cycles must be at least 300 ECTS).

(3) The conditions provided by law for Romanian citizens shall apply to the citizens of the Member States of the European Union, of the States belonging to the European Economic Area and of the Swiss Confederation, as well as to Romanians everywhere¹, regardless of citizenship, including with regard to tuition fees.

¹ According to the provisions of the *METHODOLOGY for the schooling of Romanians everywhere in the state higher education in Romania, on places of study without payment of tuition fees, but with scholarship, respectively, without payment of tuition fees, but without scholarship starting with the academic year 2017-2018, approved by the Joint Order of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (no. 3900/16.05.2017) – MAE (A10-2046-26.05.2017) – M.R.P. (no. C/129/07.06.2017);*, art. 1 para.1 a) and b): "a) Persons who freely assume the Romanian cultural identity, persons of Romanian origin and those belonging to the Romanian linguistic and cultural vein, who live outside the borders of Romania, regardless of the ethnonym used (Armenians, Armans, Aromanians, Bessarabians, Bukovinani, Cuşovlahi, Daco-Romanians, Farserots, Hertseni, Istro-Romanians, Danube Latins, Macedonians, Macedonian-Romanians, Maramureşeni, Meglenites, Megleno-Romanians, Moldavians, Moldavians, Rămâni, Romanians, Wallachians, Vlachs, Vlasis, Volohi, Macedo-Armânji), as well as all other lexical forms semantically related to the above. b) Emigrant Romanians, whether or not they have retained Romanian citizenship, their descendants, as well as Romanian citizens with a permanent domicile or residence abroad."

(4) As a rule, the registration for the admission competition is not conditioned by the field in which the Bachelor's or Master's Diploma was acquired. By exception, doctoral schools may establish specific requirements regarding the field(s) of Bachelor's or Master's study programmes through their own regulations.

(5) The exemption from the payment of the registration fees for the admission competition shall be made according to the legal provisions.

Art.13

(1) Registrations shall be made at the secretariat of the doctoral school or online, according to the regulations of the doctoral schools.

(2) In case of registration in the online system, either through the online platform or by e-mail to the secretariat of the doctoral school, the upload/sending of the documents by the candidates is done with their assumption of their own responsibility for the authenticity and correspondence between the digital/scanned documents and the original ones, in the platform/in the content of the electronic message.

(3) Non-EU candidates, Romanians everywhere, scholarship holders of the Romanian state shall comply with the Admission Methodology developed by the International Relations Department, and doctoral schools shall propose the admission exam procedure.

Art.14

(1) For registration, candidates shall submit/upload the following documents:

- a) application/registration form - standard template;
- b) copy of a valid identity document (B.I./ C.I./ passport, etc., depending on the candidate's citizenship);
- c) birth certificate, in copy (certification of conformity with the original can be made by the secretariat of the doctoral school);
- d) A marriage certificate or other document proving a name change, in copy (certification of conformity with the original can be made by the secretariat of the doctoral school);

- e) Baccalaureate Diploma or equivalent, in copy (certification of conformity with the original can be made by the secretariat of the doctoral school);
 - f) higher education diploma (Bachelor's Diploma) and transcript of records/Diploma supplement, copies (certification of conformity with the original can be made by the secretariat of the doctoral school);
 - g) Master's Diploma/Postgraduate Advanced Studies diploma and the transcript of records/diploma supplement, in copy; as for graduates of Master's study programmes from the current year, a provisional Certificate for Master's graduates will suffice (certification of conformity with the original can be made by the secretariat of the doctoral school);
 - h) scientific activity report;
 - i) the list of titles of the published scientific papers;
 - j) A (written) proposal for a research topic, consistent with the research topics related to the vacant doctoral student positions that have been announced by the doctoral supervisor, accompanied by a justification of its significance;
 - k) a comprehensive bibliographic list for the proposed topic, on the basis of which the admission competition can be conducted;
 - l) Certificate of Language Proficiency, non-legalised copy (according to the annex regarding the types of Certificates of Language Proficiency, attached to this methodology);
 - m) declaration of one's own responsibility regarding the accuracy/correctness of the documents submitted online;
 - n) the receipt for the payment of the registration fee.
- (2) For foreign citizens - the Certificate of Language Proficiency proving the knowledge of Romanian / the Certificate of Language Proficiency proving the knowledge of an international language, if the doctoral programme is carried out in a language of international circulation. Foreign citizen candidates who come from states with that official language of international circulation or who have graduated in previous cycles a study program carried out in that international language are exempt from this requirement;
- (3) In addition, for the persons who request the exemption from the registration fee for the admission competition, one of the following documents shall be submitted:
- a) copy of the parents' death certificates (in the case of those orphaned by one or both parents);
 - b) document attesting the candidate's origin from a single-parent family;
 - c) certificate confirming that they are part of the social protection system (for those who were in this situation at the time of registration);

d) certificate showing the quality of teaching or auxiliary teaching staff, active or retired of the legal supporter;

e) certificate stating the quality of staff employed at the University of Bucharest for the candidate's legal supporters.

(4) According to the law, persons at risk of being unable to meet their daily living needs due to situations such as illness, disability or poverty, as evidenced by a certificate issued by the Social Assistance Directorate in the area in which the candidate resides, are also eligible for tax exemption.

(5) The persons referred to in paragraph (3) letters a), b) and c) must cumulatively meet the following two conditions: a) not exceed the age of 35 at the time of registration; b) not achieve an average net monthly income per family member for the last 12 months that exceeds the minimum net basic salary.

(6) The complete set of submitted/uploaded documents is verified by the secretariat of the doctoral school and is available before the first test in the admission competition.

Art. 15

The admission of Romanian candidates from all over the world and foreign citizens from third countries of the European Union is carried out based on the methodologies specially developed by the Ministry of Education and Research, and they will address the International Relations Directorate/Foreign Relations Service, in order to register for the admission competition for doctoral studies.

Art. 16

Candidates who are not part of the European Union, the European Economic Area and the Swiss Confederation (non-EU nationals) are required to submit **the** certificate of recognition of these studies, issued by the specialised Directorate within the Ministry of Education and Research. The certificate of recognition will be accompanied by copies of the legalised translations of the diplomas that were the basis for its issuance.

Art. 17

A person can benefit from funding from the state budget for only one doctoral programme. The costs related to exceeding the duration of the free education, provided by the law, shall be borne by the doctoral student.

V. Conduct of the admission competition

Art. 18

The doctoral admission competition takes place at the relevant faculty in the field, in the presence of the doctoral supervisor. In the case of the Interdisciplinary School of Doctoral Studies – I.S.D.S. U.B., the location of the admission competition shall be announced on its website.

Art. 19

The admission competition can be held physically or by videoconference, in compliance with the legal provisions. In the latter case, it is mandatory to make an audio-video recording of the admission competition, which is archived together with the other admission documents. ,

Art. 20

In principle, the doctoral supervisor is part of the admission committee.

Art. 21

In the event that, for various reasons, the doctoral supervisor is not part of the committee, he will be asked for his agreement on the coordination of the candidate in order to fill the vacant doctoral student position. His/her agreement must be formulated in writing and sent to the management of the doctoral school.

In the absence of agreement, the committee will recommend the candidate to collaborate with another doctoral supervisor who has an open vacant doctoral student position, with a closely related scientific theme.

The candidate who does not receive the agreement of any doctoral supervisor until the end of the competition procedure will be declared rejected, regardless of the result obtained in the admission competition.

Art. 22

(1) The actual admission to doctoral studies consists of the selection process of the candidates for the vacant doctoral student positions, which the doctoral supervisors of the doctoral school have decided to propose for occupation and whose research topics have been approved by the doctoral school council.

(2) The ranking of the candidates who presented themselves for the competition shall be made in descending order of the admission average, in order to occupy the positions financed from the state budget through doctoral grants, respectively the positions with fee previously allocated by the C.S.U.D., and shall be carried out by the admission commission based on the admission regulations of the doctoral school.

(3) The prior allocation by the C.S.U.D. of the number of positions financed from the state budget through study grants, and the number of those in fee-paying regime shall take into account the request of the doctoral schools, the number of positions occupied at that doctoral school in previous years and the degree of load for each doctoral supervisor, with the inclusion in the overall enrollment figure allocated by the Ministry of Education and Research.

(4) The assignment of positions financed from the state budget through doctoral grants shall be made by the admission competition committee by ranking all candidates in a doctoral field on a single list.

(5) In case of equal averages, the tie-breaking for the candidates will be made on the basis of the tie-breaking criteria provided in the Admission Regulation of the doctoral school.

(6) The single list includes all candidates declared admitted, specifying whether they are admitted on positions financed from the budget or positions on a fee-paying regime, depending on their options.

Art. 23

(1) If the number of study grants allocated to the doctoral school by the C.S.U.D. is lower than the number of the candidates who have opted for vacant positions financed from the state budget and have an admission average above 7 (seven), the candidates who have not occupied one of the tuition-free vacancies initially allocated may be considered admitted to the fee-paying ones, if they also opted for this option.

(2) For those who do not gain a place, a waiting list will be drawn up, in descending order of the average marks obtained in the admissions competition. This is to fill any positions that are financed by study grants and assigned to the doctoral school after the redistribution procedure for positions left unoccupied at the I.O.S.U.D. level.

VI. The results of the competition

Art. 24

(1) The minimum average for admission to doctoral studies is 7 (seven). This average is maintained even if the admission exam consists of several tests.

- (2) The average shall be calculated to two decimal places, without rounding.
- (3) The general averages obtained by the candidates for the Admission are valid for establishing the classification hierarchy only at the doctoral school to which they have applied for each session.

Art. 25

The specifications regarding the allocation/occupation of the positions funded from the state budget, with scholarship, respectively without scholarship, as a result of the admission competition, are:

- (1) In the July 2026 session, all vacant positions of doctoral student with study grants and, respectively, on fee-paying regime, approved by the council of each doctoral school in order to occupy the positions assigned by the C.S.U.D. and approved by the U.B. Senate, in accordance with the enrollment figure allocated by the Ministry of Education and Research, shall be put out to competition.
- (2) After the completion of the admission competition in the first session, in the next meeting of the C.S.U.D. the occupation of the positions funded from the state budget and the fee-paying ones proposed by the admission committees shall be approved, in descending order of the average obtained.
- (3) In the same meeting of the C.S.U.D., budgeted positions shall be reallocated to doctoral schools that had a number of candidates with a passing grade of the admission competition higher than the number of that of the budgeted positions initially allocated and who were nominated in the waiting list drawn up after the competition.
- (4) The reallocated positions shall be taken proportionally from all doctoral schools that have not fully occupied the positions funded from the budget initially allocated by the C.S.U.D.
- (5) The positions funded from the state budget left vacant after these redeployments shall be redistributed, as a rule, as follows: at least 80% of them remain at the doctoral schools to which they belonged and at most 20% shall be redistributed to the doctoral schools that will make the request to organise an admission session in September 2026 as well, even if they have occupied or exceeded the positions initially allocated by the C.S.U.D.
- (6) The admission session in September is dedicated to filling the vacant positions left unoccupied or redistributed after the July session. At the same time, in the admission session in September 2026, the final hierarchy is established in descending order of the averages obtained by the candidates participating in the 2 sessions on the total number of grants allocated.
- (7) The candidates who pass the admission competition, but who did not meet the limit of the number of allocated grants, are nominated in waiting lists for this session, in view of a possible award of a grant with funding from the state budget after the redistribution procedure at the level of I.O.S.U.D. – U.B. which will take place in the next meeting of the C.S.U.D.

Art. 26

- (1) The confirmation of the occupation of the positions financed through doctoral grants from the budget will be made after each admission session.
- (2) In well-founded situations, with the approval of the C.S.U.D., doctoral schools may organize admission only in the September 2026 session. In these cases, the number of positions financed from the budget initially allocated to these doctoral schools is equal to the number of positions occupied in the previous year, weighted by the ratio between the total number of budgeted places allocated by the Ministry in 2025 and those in 2026.
- (3) The final distribution of the positions still vacant after the September 2026 session will be established at the next C.S.U.D. meeting that month, depending on the structure of the waiting lists, on the requests of the doctoral schools, on the total number of candidates declared admitted and on the degree of occupation of the vacant positions.
- (4) Out of the total number of positions financed from the budget occupied following the two admission sessions carried on at each doctoral school, the number of positions with scholarships will be approved at the C.S.U.D. meeting in September. The proportion of the number of scholarship positions out of the total number of budgeted positions that are occupied at a doctoral school will be at most equal to the proportion of the positions with scholarship out of the total budgeted positions allocated by the Ministry at the level of the U.B.

Art. 27

- (1) The admission committee of each doctoral school shall draw up and display the preliminary list of the admitted/rejected candidates for each admission session and for each field within the doctoral school, in descending order of the general averages obtained, mentioning the beneficiaries of doctoral grants related to the full-time form of education, respectively those of the part-time (low-frequency) ones.
- (2) On the basis of these lists, signed by the admission committee, the final list shall be drawn up after the approval obtained in the C.S.U.D. meeting. If there are candidates who have opted only for one form of financing/education and have not obtained a position in the specified category, they shall be placed on a waiting list. The waiting list will also contain potential candidates who had an admission grade but were classified below the positions initially assigned to the doctoral school.
- (3) Appeals in the case of written tests shall be submitted to the secretariat of the doctoral school within 24 hours from the posting of the provisional results by the manner mentioned in the Admission

Regulation of each faculty, and their results shall be communicated within a maximum of 2 (two) days after the end of the deadline for the submission of the appeals.

(4) The doctoral schools shall establish the conditions under which the appeals may be submitted in the online system. The results obtained in the oral tests cannot be challenged.

(5) The Doctoral School shall analyse any appeals registered, in accordance with the provisions of its own Regulations, and shall display the results of the appeals. The results of the appeals are final.

Art. 28

All candidates declared admitted following the organisation of each admission session in doctoral schools are included in the C.S.U.D. decision on admission to doctoral studies, drawn up by types of funding.

Art. 29

(1) The results of the admission competition shall be validated by the council of the doctoral school and by the C.S.U.D. in its meeting held before the posting deadline and shall be approved by the Central Admission Commission of the University of Bucharest, before the posting.

(2) The final results of the admission competition, approved by the Central Admission Commission of the U.B., shall be made known by posting according to the framework admission calendar.

Art. 30

Candidates who withdraw their registration documents before the final result of the competition is posted are considered eliminated from the competition.

Art.31

(1) The candidates declared admitted, after confirming their occupying of their position and after paying the registration fee, are enrolled in doctoral studies based on the result of the competition for the respective academic year, by decision of the Rector of U.B.

(2) After enrollment, all doctoral students are registered in the Single Matriculation Register (R.M.U.).

Art. 32

The documents submitted by the rejected candidates, as well as those who drop out of schooling, are returned to them, upon request, within 48 hours from the submission of the application, compulsorily free of charge, based on identity documents, after the posting of the final results.

VII. Final provisions

Art. 33

(1) U.B. shall charge a registration fee from the candidates for the organisation and conduct of the admission competition. Information on fees and payment conditions is displayed at doctoral schools and on their website.

(2) Fees not used for objective reasons may be refunded, upon request, with the approval of the faculty management, of the General Administrative Director and with the approval of the management of U.B.

(3) The exemption from the payment of the registration fees for the admission competition shall be approved by the president of the admission commission of the faculty in which the doctoral school operates, only on the basis of the documents submitted by the candidates, from which it appears that they belong to one of the categories stated above.

Art. 34

Extraordinary admission sessions may be organised for foreign citizens who apply to enrol in doctoral studies with their own funding or government funding, at the proposal of the doctoral school and with the approval of the U.B. management, in compliance with legal provisions and this Regulation.

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TYPES OF LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATES*
for admission to doctoral studies
2025

No. Crt.	Document	It is accepted at the faculty secretariat/ Doctoral School	C.L.S. testing required* *
1.	Certificate of linguistic competence issued by the Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures – Department of Modern Languages (University of Bucharest)	<u>X</u>	
2.	Certificate of linguistic competence issued by the Universities of the <i>Universitaria</i> Consortium and by the "Transilvania" University of Brasov	<u>X</u>	
3.	Diplomas of the foreign language programmes of the University of Bucharest, the National University of Science and Technology POLITEHNICA BUCHAREST and the Universities of the <i>Universitaria Consortium</i>	<u>X</u>	
4.	International tests (TOEFL, DELF, GOETHE Institut, Cambridge Certificate, etc.)	<u>X</u>	
5.	Diplomas and certificates issued by foreign cultural institutes (British Council, French Institute, Cervantes Institute, Italian Institute, etc.)	<u>X</u>	
6.	Documents showing a period of study abroad of at least 6 months, according to the O.M.	<u>X</u>	
7.	Baccalaureate diploma issued by a bilingual high school with mentioning the high school programme in the international language	<u>X</u>	
8.	Diplomas and certificates issued by other universities and bodies		<u>X</u>

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