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#### **REGULATIONS on**

Tuition Fee Discounts for Foreign Citizens

and Stateless Persons Granted upon Admission to HSE Degree Programmes in 2018 via Separate Competitive Selection for Studies under Educational Services Agreements at the Expense of Individuals and (or) Legal Entities

#### I. General Provisions

- 1. These Regulations set forth the grounds, conditions and procedures for granting tuition fee discounts (hereafter, "discounts") to foreign citizens and stateless persons (hereafter, jointly referred to as "foreign citizens") upon admission to the University in 2018 via separate competitive selection for studies under HSE degree programmes governed by educational services agreements concluded upon admission to studies at the expense of individuals and (or) legal entities (hereafter, an "educational services agreement"). Discounts established herein are not applicable for Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes, which are offered on a fee-paying basis only and do not foresee state-funded places financed at the expense of subsidies from the Russian federal budget allocated for the purpose of completing state assignments.
- 2. These Regulations have been developed with the aim of admitting more foreign citizens to HSE degree programmes, as well as motivating foreign citizens to show better academic results during their studies at HSE.
- 3. The following discounts may be granted to foreign citizens upon admission to degree programmes, as specified in paragraph 1 hereof.
- 3.1. Tuition fee discounts granted upon admission to HSE degree programmes at the Bachelor's / Specialist level provided that the applicant successfully passed all entrance examinations:
  - 3.1.1. Discounts granted for outstanding results at entrance examinations;
- 3.1.2. Discounts granted for successful completion of programmes offered by the HSE Preparatory Department for Foreign Citizens ("PDFC");

- 3.1.3. Discounts based on the results of participation in HSE Olympiads/competitions;
- 3.1.4. Discounts granted to applicants upon their graduation from HSE partner secondary schools, based on educational cooperation agreements with said schools;
- 3.1.5. Discounts granted for early conclusion and payment of educational services agreements as set forth in paragraph 23 hereof.

# 3.2. Tuition fee discounts granted upon admission to HSE degree programmes at the Master's level:

- 3.2.1. Discounts granted for outstanding results at entrance examinations;
- 3.2.2. Discounts granted for successful completion of PDFC programmes;
- 3.2.3. Discounts granted to applicants who completed a part of their undergraduate or Master's programme at HSE on a fee-paying basis;
- 3.2.4. Discounts granted to applicants who completed a part of their undergraduate or Master's programme at HSE under student academic mobility agreements between HSE and foreign higher education institutions;
  - 3.2.5. Discounts granted to graduates of the Summer University programme;
- 3.2.6. Discounts granted to applicants who hold a Bachelor's or Specialist degree from HSE:
- 3.2.7. Discounts granted for taking part in an HSE Competition for Students and Graduates;
- 3.2.8. Discounts granted for early conclusion and payment of educational services agreements as set forth in paragraph 29 hereof.
- 4. All discounts, specified in paragraph 3 hereof (except for paragraphs 3.1.5 and 3.2.8), shall be granted to foreign citizens upon admission to HSE and will be applicable for the entire period of their study at the University, provided that foreign citizens meet the established requirements for successful academic performance.

Discounts indicated in paragraphs 3.1.5 and 3.2.3 hereof shall be granted for one year starting from the date of admission, provided that foreign citizens meet the established requirements for successful academic performance.

- 5. In order to comply with the criteria for successful academic performance, a foreign citizen must always satisfy the following requirements throughout his/her enrolment in an HSE degree programme:
- a) the foreign citizen is not subject to a disciplinary measure in the form of a reprimand;
  - b) based on interim assessment results (before any retakes), the foreign citizen must:
  - have no more than two grades lower than a 6 on a 10-point scale,
  - have no grades lower than a 4 (on a 10-point scale);
  - have no missed assessments for no valid reason.
- 6. Foreign citizens are only entitled to 1 (one) discount from the list specified in paragraph 3 hereof (the only exception is the discount indicated in paragraph 3.1.5). If a foreign citizen is eligible for more than one discount, as specified in paragraphs 3.1.1-3.1.4 hereof, he/she may select the discount at his/her own discretion.

- 7. If a discount has been granted to a foreign citizen, an addendum to the relevant educational services agreement must be signed.
- 8. The procedure, grounds and conditions for the provision of discounts at HSE's regional campuses are regulated by campus-specific internal bylaws.
- 9. If a foreign citizen who has been granted a discount takes an exceptional leave of absence, maternity leave, childcare leave for children aged 3 years or younger, the discount will still be valid for the remaining period upon the student's return from the leave.
- 10. In case a foreign citizen transfers to another HSE programme, which falls into the same aggregated group of fields of study, he/she will remain eligible for a discount.
- 11. In case a foreign citizen transfers to another HSE degree programme, which belongs to another aggregated group of fields of study, he/she may still be eligible for a discount, if the academic supervisor of the target degree programme submits a relevant request to the dean/head of subdivision in charge of the given degree programme, and the latter approves this request.
- 12. In case of student's dismissal for any reason and subsequent reinstatement at the University, any previously granted discounts shall not be applicable.
- 13. A discount may be annulled if a foreign citizen person fails to meet the criteria established for good academic performance, as established in paragraph 5 hereof.
- 14. Any annulment of a discount before the end of the period for which it was granted shall be sanctioned by an HSE directive. This directive shall be prepared by the Curriculum Support Unit of the foreign citizen's degree programme and signed by the Vice Rector responsible for HSE's international relations.
- 15. Discounts are granted at the expense of HSE's general budget and budgets of respective subdivisions in proportions defined in the Regulations for Faculty Budgets and other internal bylaws of the University (except for the cases described in paragraph 4 hereof).
- 16. Other types of discounts and relevant grounds for granting such concessions may be established following a decision by the HSE Rector or faculties/subdivisions engaged in implementing degree programmes.
- 17. Once these Regulations come into force, any previously granted discounts shall remain unchanged and valid throughout the entire period for which they have been granted.
- 18. In the event of any changes to these Regulations, any previously granted discounts shall remain unchanged and valid throughout the entire period for which they have been granted.

# II. Tuition Fee Discounts Granted to Foreign Citizens upon Admission to HSE Degree Programmes at the Bachelor's / Specialist Level

- 19. Applicants may be eligible for the following discounts based on their outstanding entrance examination results, provided that they successfully passed all examinations:
  - 19.1 70% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year if the applicant's final cumulative score for all exams is 170 points or higher;

- 19.2 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year if the applicant's final cumulative score for all exams is 150-169 points;
- 19.3 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year if the applicant's final cumulative score for all exams is 130-149 points (excepts for "Mathematics", "Software Engineering", "Applied Mathematics and Informatics");
- 19.4 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year in "Mathematics", "Software Engineering", "Applied Mathematics and Informatics" if the applicant's final cumulative score for all exams is 135-149 points.
- 20. Based on the results of studies at the PDFC and upon the submission of documents confirming successful completion of studies under a continuing educational programme (with no unsatisfactory grades), foreign citizens may be granted a 25% discount on the tuition fee established in the ongoing academic year. This discount may only be granted to students who have completed studies at the HSE PDFC, as well as students who have completed a similar programme offered by other Russian educational institutions.
- 21. Based on the results achieved at HSE Olympiads/student competitions, and provided that they successfully pass all entrance examinations, foreign citizens shall be eligible for the following discounts upon admission to HSE Bachelor's/Specialist programmes in the same field of study as the relevant competition:
- 21.1. Winners of the International Youth Olympiad in 1 (one) of its focus areas shall be entitled to a 70% discount on the tuition fee established in the ongoing academic year;
- 21.2. Prize-winners of the International Youth Olympiad shall be entitled to a 50% discount on the tuition fee established in the ongoing academic year;
- 21.3. Participants of the Vysshaya Proba Competition, who missed the threshold for winning a prize by 1-10 points, shall be entitled to a 50% discount on the tuition fee established in the ongoing academic year;
- 21.4. Participants in the second round of the Vysshaya Proba Competition shall be entitled to a 25% discount on the tuition fee established in the ongoing academic year.
- 22. Graduates of HSE's partner secondary schools, which have educational collaboration agreements with HSE, shall be entitled to a 25% discount on the tuition fee established in the ongoing academic year. Lists of school graduates recommended by a given partner school for admission to HSE degree programmes shall be certified by its director's signature and seal of the partner school and thusly submitted to HSE no later than by June 30 of the ongoing year.
- 23. Applicants who conclude the educational services agreement and pay tuition fees for the first semester within 30 days following the publication of the positive decision on their admission to a fee-paying place in the Foreign Applicant Personal Account on the website but no later than June 1, 2018 are eligible for a 5% discount on the tuition fee established for ongoing academic year.

### III. Tuition Fee Discounts Granted to Foreign Citizens upon Admission to HSE Degree Programmes at the Master's Level

- 24. Applicants are eligible for the following discounts based on their outstanding entrance examination results:
  - 24.1 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year for applicants whose final cumulative score for portfolio is 75 points or higher;
  - 24.2 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year for applicants whose final cumulative score for portfolio is 60-74 points.
- 25. Upon successful completion HSE PDFC programme and submission of documents confirming participation in a continuing educational programme (with no unsatisfactory grades), foreign citizens shall be granted a 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year. Such a discount may be granted only to students who completed their studies at the HSE PDFC on a fee-paying basis, as well as students who completed a similar programme offered by other Russian educational institutions.
- 26. Applicants who completed a part of their undergraduate or Master's programme at HSE on a fee-paying basis, as well as those who completed a part of their undergraduate or Master's programme at HSE under student academic mobility agreements between HSE and foreign higher education institutions, and HSE Summer University graduates shall be eligible for the following discounts:
- 26.1. Foreign citizens who completed a part of their undergraduate or Master's programme at HSE on a fee-paying basis shall be eligible for a 25% discount on the tuition fees established for the ongoing academic year. In order to obtain this discount, students must submit a transcript of records, thus confirming completion of the relevant part of a given HSE degree programme (at least 1 (one) semester, without unsatisfactory grades);
- 26.2. Foreign citizens who completed a part of their undergraduate or Master's programme at HSE under student academic mobility agreements between HSE and foreign higher education institutions shall be eligible for a 10% discount on the tuition fees established for the ongoing academic year. In order to obtain this discount, students must submit a transcript of records, thus confirming completion of the relevant part of a given HSE degree programme (at least 1 (one) semester, without unsatisfactory grades);
- 26.3. Foreign citizens who have taken part in the Summer University programme shall be granted a 10% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year. In order to obtain this discount, students must submit a certificate issued to participants of the Summer University programme, as well as a transcript of records, thereby confirming programme completion (at least 2 (two) courses, without unsatisfactory grades).
- 27. Foreign citizens persons who graduated from HSE degree programmes at the Bachelor's/Specialist's level shall be granted a 25% tuition fee discount on the tuition fees established for the ongoing academic year.

- 28. Participants of HSE Competition for Students and Graduates who were short of winning places by 1 to 10 points, and who successfully passed all entrance examinations are eligible for a 15% discount on the tuition fees established for the ongoing academic year.
- 29. Applicants who conclude the educational services agreement and pay their tuition fees for the first semester within 30 days following the publication of the positive decision on their admission to a fee-paying place in the Foreign Applicant Personal Account on the website but no later than June 1, 2018 are eligible for a 5% discount on the tuition fee established for ongoing academic year.

#### IV. Tuition Fee Discounts Granted to Foreign Citizens at the Expense of a Faculty Budget and (or) the Budgets of Subdivisions Engaged in Implementing Degree Programmes

- 30. Tuition fee discounts granted to foreign citizens may be funded from the budgets of faculties or subdivisions implementing degree programmes.
- 31. The procedure for granting discounts funded from the budgets of faculties or subdivisions engaged in implementing degree programmes shall be approved by:
  - the academic council of a given faculty/subdivision;
- in the absence of a faculty academic council/ subdivision council, discounts may be granted upon the resolution of the faculty dean/ subdivision head.
- 32. The procedure for granting discounts funded from the budget of a faculty/subdivision shall be published on the website of the faculty/subdivision implementing the degree programmes, as well as on the webpage of the respective degree programme on the HSE corporate website.
- 33. Discounts granted at the expense of a given faculty budget and/or budgets of a faculty's subdivisions engaged in implementing degree programmes may be combined with other discounts.