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Regulations on Provision of Tuition Discounts to Students Admitted in 2023 to the International College of Economics and Finance of HSE University

1. General Provisions

1.1. These Regulations on the Provision of Tuition Discounts to Students of the International College of Economics and Finance of HSE University, admitted in 2023 (hereinafter the “Regulations”, “discounts”, “students”, “ICEF”, and “HSE University”, respectively), specify the grounds, terms, amounts and procedures for the provision of tuition discounts, as well as the grounds and procedures for halting their provision or cancelling them.

1.2. Tuition discounts provided in line with these Regulations concern those discounts funded by subdivisions, engaged in the provision of ICEF degree programmes.

1.3. Provision of discounts to students, who are the children of HSE University staff members, shall be regulated by the Regulations for the Terms for Tuition Payments at HSE ICEF for the Children of HSE University Staff Members.

1.4. In these Regulations, the following concepts, terms and abbreviations are used:

1.4.1. ICEF Bachelor’s students refer to learners taking part in the International Bachelor’s Programme in Economics and Finance (with the exception of foreign citizens and stateless persons in their first year of studies who have been admitted under a separate admission competition);

1.4.2. international students refer to foreign citizens or stateless persons admitted to studies under the International Bachelor’s Programme in Economics and Finance within the framework of a respective competition and who have successfully passed each of the entrance examinations;

1.4.3. IPP - International Preparatory Programmes;

1.4.4. USE – unified state examination;

1.4.5. students in the Financial Economics programme refer to learners taking part in the Financial Economics Master’s programme;

1.4.6. The ICEF Administration is an advisory body coordinated by the ICEF Director, including: the ICEF Director, academic supervisors of respective degree programmes, an ICEF staff member responsible for coordinating with applicants, and the head of the ICEF Finance and Contract Unit.

1.5. These Regulations and amendments thereto must be approved as per a directive of the First Vice Rector, charged with coordinating ICEF’s activities;

1.6. A link to the Regulations can be found on ICEF’s homepage on HSE University’s corporate website (hereinafter the “website”).

1.7. Should amendments be introduced to these Regulations, previously granted discounts shall remain unchanged and remain in effect until the expiration of their term of provision.

1.8. Tuition discounts shall serve as grounds for reducing the cost of paid educational services as per the procedures set out in these Regulations.

2. Grounds and Procedures for Provision of Discounts

2.1. Discounts can be provided on the following grounds:

2.1.1. for ICEF Bachelor's students:

2.1.1.1. students admitted based on their USE results, or on the basis of other academic achievements;

2.1.1.2. for superior academic performance;

2.1.2. for foreign citizens upon admission within the framework of a respective competition:

2.1.2.1. based on the results of entrance examinations;

2.1.2.2. based on the academic results earned during studies under IPP programmes;

2.1.2.3. based on participation in Olympiads;

2.1.2.4. for graduates of the HSE University Lyceum, distributed Lyceum schools, HSE base schools, and the University's school partners with which partnership agreements for educational cooperation have been signed;

2.1.2.5. upon signing an agreement and paying tuition as per the terms set out in pp.

4.2.5 p. 4.2 of the Regulations;

2.1.2.6. for superior academic performance;

2.1.3. for students in the Financial Economics programme;

2.1.3.1. based on entrance examination results (i.e., portfolio review);

2.1.3.2. upon signing an agreement and paying tuition as per the terms set out in pp.

5.1.3 p. 5.1 of the Regulations;

2.1.3.3. for superior academic performance.

2.2. The criteria for the provision of discounts shall be set forth by the ICEF Administration with the approval of the ICEF Director, if otherwise not stated in these Regulations.

2.3. The provision of discounts shall be validated through the issuance of a directive written up on the basis of addendums to agreements on the provision of educational services with students.

2.4. On general principle, students may be only granted 1 (one) discount from those specified in these Regulations, if otherwise not specified therein. If a student is eligible for several types of discounts, he/she may only choose 1 (one) of them.

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Discounts for Students in the International Programme in Economics and Finance

3.1. The criteria for the provision of discounts upon admission to the first year of studies shall be established as per the decision of the ICEF Administration, in agreement with the HSE University Admissions Office, and posted on the webpage of the Admissions Office and the ICEF homepage on the website. Tuition discounts shall be set for applicants admitted to their first year of study as follows:

3.1.1. 100% tuition discount;

3.1.2. 75% tuition discount;

3.1.3. 60% tuition discount;

- 3.1.4. 45% tuition discount;
- 3.1.5. 30% tuition discount;
- 3.1.6. 15% tuition discount.

3.2. The terms for the provision and the size of discounts for students admitted to their first year of studies based on their USE results are as follows:

3.2.1. discount amounts shall be set according to the weighted total of USE points (the weighted total of USE points shall be determined as follows: the USE score for mathematics is multiplied by 3 (three), the USE score for a foreign language is multiplied by 2 (two), the USE score for the Russian language is multiplied by 1 (one), and thusly, the results are totaled);

3.2.2. when calculating the weighted total of points for setting discounts, those points earned for individual achievements, as well as the maximum number of USE points, assigned to winners (prizewinners) of Olympiads for the general education subject aligned with the Olympiad competition's field, shall be discarded;

3.2.3. discounts based on USE results shall be granted to students during their first year of studies;

3.2.4. discounts for the subsequent years of studies shall be granted as per p. 3.5 hereof.

3.3. The terms for the provision and size of discounts based on other academic achievements:

3.3.1. the terms for the provision and amounts of discounts for winners, prizewinners and participants of the final stage of the all-Russian Olympiads for school students and holders of gold, silver or bronze medals received at an International Olympiad for school students in Economics are as follows:

3.3.1.1. winners and prizewinners of the final stage of the all-Russian Olympiads for school students in Economics or Mathematics, or holders of gold, silver or bronze medals received from the International Olympiad for school students in Economics, who have been recommended for admission, shall receive a 100% discount on their tuition for the entire period of their studies;

3.3.1.2. participants taking part in the final stage of the all-Russian Olympiads for school students in Economics or Mathematics shall receive a 45% discount on their tuition for the first year of study;

3.3.1.3. winners and prizewinners of the final stage of the all-Russian Olympiads for school students in fields other than Economics or Mathematics shall receive a 15% discount on their tuition for the first year of study;

3.3.1.4. students, mentioned in p. 3.3.1.1, who have received an unsatisfactory grade for interim examination for the entire workload of 1 (one) or several courses, but who have progressed to the following year, may use the 100% discount on all subjects studied, with the exception of those, which he/she is repeating, as per a special individual curriculum; such students shall pay for repeated courses in full, based on the tuition cost for students studying in the same year and over a standard period of study.

3.3.2. Other academic achievements, which are considered for the provision of tuition fee discounts upon admission, are as follows:

3.3.2.1 winners (1st Class diploma) in the Olympiad Vysshaya Proba in Economics or Mathematics shall receive a 75% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.2. prizewinners (2nd Class diploma) in the Olympiad Vysshaya Proba in Economics or Mathematics shall receive a 60% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.3 prizewinners (3rd Class diploma) in the Olympiad Vysshaya Proba in Economics or Mathematics shall receive a 45% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.4 winners and prizewinners in the Olympiad Vysshaya Proba in areas other than Economics or Mathematics shall receive a 15% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.5. winners of the final stage of the Data Analysis National Olympiad DANO shall receive a 60% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.6. prizewinners of the final stage of the Data Analysis National Olympiad DANO shall receive a 45% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.7. invited participants to the final stage of the Data Analysis National Olympiad DANO shall receive a 15% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.8. winners of the super-final stage of the All-Russian Case-championship for school students in Economics and Entrepreneurship shall receive a 60% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.9. prizewinners of the super-final stage of the All-Russian Case-championship for school students in Economics and Entrepreneurship shall receive a 45% discount on their tuition for the first year of study;

3.3.2.10. participants of the super-final stage of the All-Russian Case-championship for school students in Economics and Entrepreneurship shall receive a 15% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.11. graduates of the HSE Lyceum, included in the top 20% of the HSE Lyceum's final ranking in Economics and Mathematics; Mathematics; Economics and Social Sciences; Computer Science, Engineering and Mathematics, shall receive a 45% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.12. graduates of the HSE Lyceum, included in the 21-45% of the HSE Lyceum's final ranking in Economics and Mathematics; Mathematics; Economics and Social Sciences; Computer Science, Engineering and Mathematics, shall receive a 30% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.13. graduates of the HSE Lyceum, included in the 46-70% of the HSE Lyceum's final ranking in Economics and Mathematics; Mathematics; Economics and Social Sciences; Computer Science, Engineering and Mathematics, shall receive a 15% discount on their tuition for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.14. other achievements can be added to this list at the ICEF Director's decision upon recommendation of the ICEF Administration;

3.3.2.15. discounts granted on the basis of other achievements, with the exception of those described in p. 3.3.1.1, shall be provided for the first year of studies;

3.3.2.16. in the subsequent years, discounts shall be granted as per p. 3.5 hereof.

3.4. Any discount granted as per pp. 3.2-3.3 may be used by a student only 1 (one) time.

3.5. Terms for granting and sizes of discounts for superior academic performance:

3.5.1. discounts for superior academic performance shall be granted effective from the second year of studies;

3.5.2. superior academic performance shall be determined for the respective year of study, based on the core and additional requirements for academic performance and their place in the rating of ICEF learners¹;

3.5.3. for each discount rate for academic success, a core requirement for student performance is applied with respect to the previous year of study, which implies that a student does not have any unsatisfactory grades for interim examinations (prior to retakes) for the entirety of the workload for 1 (one) or several courses; additional criteria regarding student performance are set out in pp. 3.5.8–3.5.9 p. 3.5 of these Regulations;

3.5.4. the following discounts are in place for superior academic performance (range of discounts), along with the total number of eligible students:

3.5.4.1. 100% tuition discount – provided to the student holding first place in the

¹ The general rating of students in their respective year of studies shall be ranked in line with the Regulations on Student Performance Rating at the International College of Economics and Finance, National Research University Higher School of Economics, in line with interim assessments of students for courses pursued in their current academic year;

rating;

3.5.4.2. 75% tuition discount – provided to the 16 students, ranking after the student receiving the 100% discount;

3.5.4.3. 60% tuition discount – to the 16 students, ranking after those students receiving the 75% discount;

3.5.4.4. 45% tuition discount – provided to the 16 students in the ranking following those receiving the 60% discount;

3.5.4.5. 30% tuition discount – provided to the 12 students following those students receiving the 45% discount;

3.5.4.6. 15% tuition discount – provided to the 12 students in the ranking after those students receiving the 30% discount.

3.5.5. If there are students in a given year, the discount amounts for them shall be determined in line with p. 3.3.1.1 of the Regulations; the rating shall be ranked without consideration of such students (with the exception of a 100% discount).

3.5.6. If a student appears in the rating among those learners who are granted discounts for their superior academic performance, but fails to satisfy the core criterion for performance, as per pp. 3.5.2 p. 3.5 of the Regulations, as well as in those instances specified in pp. 6.1.1 p. 6.1 of the Regulations, this discount shall not be redistributed among other ICEF students.

3.5.7. If an individual curriculum has been assigned to a student, whereby he/she shall repeat courses, he/she must pay for them in full without any discounts, based on the tuition fee in place for students in the same year over the standard study period.

3.5.8. For students who have received 75% tuition discounts for their first year of studies, the following criteria for discounts received for superior academic performance for the following years shall be set:

3.5.8.1. upon the successful completion of the academic year, a 75% discount shall be extended for such students over the subsequent academic year, regardless of their place in the rating;

3.5.8.2. upon the full completion of the programme for the previous academic year, a 60% tuition discount shall be granted to students, regardless of their place in the rating; over subsequent academic years, students shall pay tuition in accordance with their place in the rating and meeting the core criterion for academic performance, as specified in p.p. 3.5.4 p. 3.5 of the Regulations;

3.5.8.3. if a student receives unsatisfactory grades on interim examinations (prior to retakes) for the entirety of workload of one or several courses, he/she, progressing to the next year of study, shall pay their tuition in full (without discounts).

3.5.9. With respect to students, who have received a 60% tuition discount for their first year of studies, the following additional terms are in place: upon full completion of the previous year's programme, a 45% discount on tuition shall be provided regardless of a learner's place in a given rating; in subsequent years, said student shall pay tuition as per their place in the rating and the core criterion for academic performance, as specified in pp. 3.5.4 p. 3.5 of these Regulations.

3.5.10. For the purpose of the provision p. 3.5 of these Regulations:

3.5.10.1. successful completion of the programme for the respective academic year implies that interim grades for the entire course workload for the previous academic year are not below "Good" grades, in particular:

– for subjects, included in the calculation of the rating for the previous academic year (prior to retakes) – not lower than 4 (four) points on a five-point scale;

3.5.10.2. full completion of the programme in the academic year shall include the absence of academic failures for the results for the given academic year (prior to retakes).

4. Discounts for International Students in the International Programme in Economics and Finance

4.1. The criteria for the provision of tuition discounts to foreign citizens upon their admission to the first year of studies shall be decided by the ICEF Director upon recommendation of the ICEF Administration and posted on the webpages of the Admissions Office and ICEF, respectively.

4.2. In the first year of studies, the size of discounts for international students shall be set as follows:

4.2.1. based on the results of entrance examinations – on the basis of a weighted sum of points earned for internal entrance examinations at HSE University (the weighted total points shall be determined as follows: points for entrance examination in Mathematics is multiplied by 2 (two); points for a foreign language is multiplied by 1 (one); the results are then totaled);

4.2.2. based on students' results from programmes provided by the International Preparatory Programmes Centre (IPP), courses for continuing education such as Russian as a foreign language, provided by HSE University, and subject to the provision of a document confirming successful completion of the respective programme (i.e., absence of academic failures), international students shall be granted a 45% discount on tuition as set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3. Based on results from Olympiads and subject to the successful passing of all entrance examinations, international students shall be granted the following discounts:

4.2.3.1. holders of gold, silver or bronze medals received at the International Olympiad for school students in Economics – a tuition waiver (100% discount) for the entire period of studies;

4.2.3.2. winners of the HSE Global Scholarship Competition in Mathematics – a 100% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.3. prizewinners of the HSE Global Scholarship Competition in Mathematics – a 75% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.4. winners (1st Class diploma) of Interregional Olympiad Vysshaya Proba for school students in Economics or Mathematics – a 75% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.5. prizewinners (2nd Class diploma) of the Interregional Olympiad Vysshaya Proba for school students in Economics or Mathematics – a 60% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.6. prizewinners (3rd Class diploma) of the Interregional Olympiad Vysshaya Proba for school students in Economics or Mathematics – a 45% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.7. winners and prizewinners of the Interregional Olympiad Vysshaya Proba for school students in areas other than Economics and Mathematics – a 15% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.8. winners and prizewinners of the HSE Global Scholarship Competition in areas other than Economics and Mathematics – a 15% discount on tuition set for the ongoing academic year;

4.2.3.9. participants, prizewinners and winners of other Olympiads, the size and criteria for the provision of discounts shall be determined by the decision of the ICEF Administration, with the approval of the HSE University Admissions Office.

4.2.4. Graduates of the HSE University Lyceum, distributed lyceum schools, HSE base schools, and the University's partner schools, with which cooperation agreements have been signed, shall be granted a 15% discount on tuition, as set for the ongoing academic year.

4.2.5. Upon signing an agreement for the provision of paid educational services and payment of tuition for Modules 1 and 2 by July 1, 2023, a 5% discount shall be granted on tuition set for the ongoing academic year.

4.2.6. International students may be granted a discount of their own choice from those specified in p. 4.2 of the Regulations, with the exception of the discounts specified in pp. 4.2.5 p. 4.2 of these Regulations.

4.2.7. Over subsequent years of study, discounts for academic success in specific years of intake shall be determined in line with the core criterion for academic performance for international students and their place in the general rating of learners, in line with p. 3.5 of these Regulations.

4.3. If a student has been provided with an individual curriculum, whereby he/she must repeat certain courses/subjects, they shall pay for them in full without consideration of discounts, based on the tuition in place for learners studying in the same year and over the standard period of studies.

5. Discounts for Financial Economics Programme Students

5.1. Discounts may be granted on the following grounds (for students admitted under general or individual competitions):

5.1.1. In line with agreements for inter-institutional partnership for the provision of the Master's double-degree programmes between HSE University (ICEF) and partner universities: students, nominated for Master's degree studies at ICEF by partner universities shall be granted a 100% discount on tuition for the entire period of studies.

5.1.2. Based on the results of entrance examinations (portfolio review) for the entire period of studies; the total number of students who shall be granted discounts – not more than 13 persons, including:

5.1.2.1. no more than 8 (eight) top students in the ranked list of all learners who have been admitted to the Financial Economics programme, an 85% discount with an overall score of 65 points or higher for the portfolio review, in line with accumulated total points;

5.1.2.2. no more than 5 (five) best students from the ranked list of all learners who have been admitted to the Financial Economics programme, a 50% tuition discount with an overall score for the portfolio review of 55 points or higher, in line with the accumulated total points;

5.1.3. Winners of 1st Class diplomas and prizewinners of 2nd Class diplomas from the HSE University's Higher League Olympiad for students and graduates in Economics (for the Financial Economics track) shall be granted a 100% discount on tuition for the entire period of studies;

5.1.4. Upon signing an agreement for paid educational services with an international student, who has been admitted through a separate competition, and his/her payment of the tuition for Modules 1 and 2 before July 1, 2023, he/she shall be granted a 5% discount on

the tuition set for the ongoing academic year (with the exception of students who have received a 100% discount).

5.2. Discounts equal to 85% or 50% for the entire period of studies for academic success shall be granted to top students, pursuing studies in places under agreements for the provision of paid educational services, based on their academic outcomes for Modules 1 and 2, if the total number of learners in a given year studying under the Financial Economics programme with discounts comes to less than 10, with due consideration of the following conditions:

5.2.1. the student does not have any academic failures and is not studying under an individual curriculum, e.g., with a repeat of a particular course;

5.2.2. the student is not subject to disciplinary sanction;

5.2.3. the student does not have any debts owing on their tuition;

5.2.4 all types of interim examinations for Modules 1 and 2 with the “Examination” status have been passed with a “Good” or “Excellent” grade.

5.3. Decisions to grant discounts and on their respective amounts shall be made by the ICEF Director upon the recommendation of the ICEF Administration, along with the approval of the academic council of the Financial Economics programme.

6. Procedures and Grounds for Halting and Cancelling the Provision of Discounts

6.1. Discounts can be suspended or cancelled as per grounds and procedures in place for all types of discounts as per the respective section of the Regulations on the Provision of Tuition Fee Discounts to Students Studying Under Educational Agreements Signed upon Admission to Studies Financed by Individuals and/or Legal Entities, with due consideration of the following particularities:

6.1.1. if a discount is suspended owing to the application of disciplinary measures in the form of a reprimand, the discount shall not be granted to the respective student as from the moment when a respective directive for the imposition of disciplinary measures (i.e., a reprimand) for the entire period of this sanction (one year); upon the expiration of the period for the disciplinary measure (reprimand), the discount shall be reinstated and run for the remaining duration for which it had been granted;

6.1.2. the grounds for cancelling a student’s discount, as per Section 5 of the Regulations, within the timeframe for which it was granted, may include remaining academic failure (after all retakes) for interim examination.