



**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE ACCREDITED DOCTORAL STUDY PROGRAMME
FOR THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR**

as set out in Sections 56 and 57 of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions
and on amendments to certain acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the “Act”)

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| application deadline: | 31 July 2026 |
| entrance exam date: | 24 August 2026 |
| deadline for PhD. project submission: | 19 August 2026 |
| application fee: | €50 (€45 for online applications) |
| account: IBAN | SK88 8180 0000 0070 0024 1244 |
| reference number: | 008727686 /when paying by postal order/ |
| specific symbol: | 50002 |
| variable symbol: | the applicant's application registration number generated via the online application form, omitting the letter 'R', or without a symbol if the applicant submits the application by post only. |
| additional details: | surname and first name |

Trnava University in Trnava, Faculty of Law (hereinafter referred to as the “Faculty”) is opening the following accredited doctoral study programmes in the field of Law for the 2026/2027 academic year:

- Study programme: Theory and History of State and Law

- Study programme: Labour Law
- study programme: Criminal Law
- Study programme: Civil Law

The Faculty is launching this study programme as a three-year doctoral programme on a full-time basis and a four-year doctoral programme on a part-time basis. Part-time doctoral study is subject to the payment of tuition fees. The amount of the annual tuition fee will be determined in accordance with the regulation of the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic and the internal regulations of Trnava University in Trnava.

If an applicant does not achieve **at least 70 points** in the entrance examination, they have failed the entrance examination.

The application form must clearly indicate which form of study the applicant is interested in, whether admission to full-time study or admission to part-time study. **Applications for full-time study and part-time study must be submitted separately.**

CONDITIONS FOR ADMISSION TO ACCREDITED DOCTORAL STUDY PROGRAMMES IN THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

The basic condition for admission is **the successful completion of a Master's degree programme in the field of law.**

A further condition for admission is **the successful completion of an entrance examination**, during which the selection committee assesses the applicant's readiness for the doctoral programme in question in the following categories (listed in order of importance, from most to least):

- **dissertation proposal** – the applicant submits and presents their own (original) proposal for a dissertation topic (up to 3,000 words) – the originality and content of the proposal, the presentation of the proposal, and the applicant's answers and responses to the committee's questions regarding the proposal are assessed – in this category, the candidate may obtain **a maximum of 55 points** (of which a maximum of 20 points for the project – originality and content of the project, a maximum of 20 points for the presentation of the project, and a maximum of 15 points for the candidate's answers and responses to the committee's questions regarding the project);
- **knowledge equivalent to a master's degree in the relevant field and the candidate's professional and scientific insight in the chosen field** – assessed through an oral interview (in particular through answers to the committee's questions) – in this category, the candidate may obtain **a maximum of 30 points**;
- **potential for scientific work** – assessed on the basis of the candidate's own publications and other scientific activities – in this category, the candidate may obtain **a maximum of 20 points**;
- **knowledge of English or German** – assessed on the basis of the results of a written test, which forms part of the admissions procedure; **knowledge of English or**

German is an essential condition for admission – in this category, the applicant may obtain **a maximum of 15 points**.

The ranking of successful candidates will be determined by the admissions committee on the basis of the candidates' scores during a closed-door meeting; the faculty will publish the ranking of candidates and the results of the admissions process on its website after anonymising the data.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE

1. Applicants should send their completed application form to: **Trnava University in Trnava, Faculty of Law, Hornopotočná 23, 918 43 Trnava by 31 July 2026** or submit the completed application form **electronically** without a qualified electronic signature by the same deadline. Applicants must also submit, together with the application form, confirmation of payment of the fee to cover costs. The electronic application form is available on the university's website. The deadline for submitting a project of the thesis is 19 August 2026.
2. The fee of EUR 50 (EUR 45 for electronic applications), intended to cover the costs of the admissions procedure, shall be paid by the applicant by bank transfer, quoting the following account number: State Treasury **SK88 8180 0000 0070 0024 1244**, variable symbol – the applicant's application registration number generated via the online application, omitting the letter 'R' (e.g. for 0213R07650, enter 021307650), or without a symbol if the applicant submits the application by post only, using the specific symbol 50002.
3. **If the applicant does not attend the entrance examination, the fee will not be refunded.**
4. The applicant is required to enclose the following with the application:
 - a) a professional CV,
 - b) an officially certified photocopy of documents proving completion of a second-cycle degree programme in the field of law ('Mgr.');
 - c) an officially certified photocopy of documents confirming the award of the academic title "Doctor of Law" (JUDr.), if such a title has been awarded; for graduates who have successfully completed the rigorous examination procedure at the Faculty of Law, Trnava University, a photocopy of the university diploma is sufficient;
 - d) a list of the results of their professional activities to date (in particular active participation in conferences, seminars, workshops, participation in professional project work, etc.),
 - e) a list of published works and unpublished works submitted for publication,
 - f) a proposal for the topic of the dissertation,
 - g) proof of payment of the administrative fee for the admission procedure.

5. If the applicant has completed their higher education studies abroad, the procedure shall be in accordance with Act No. 422/2015 Coll. on the recognition of educational documents and professional qualifications and on amendments to certain laws, and in accordance with the procedures for the recognition of studies and documents at Trnava University in Trnava.

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