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Rector's Instruction 3/2023 (I.26.) on the PhD language examination

Pursuant to Article 50 of Act LIX of 2022 amending certain Acts related to higher education, vocational training and adult education, and Article 54, point 7, **I hereby suspend** Article 19 (2) b) and c) and Article 23 (1) d) of the Doctoral and Habilitation Regulations of Óbuda University (version 8, valid from 13 June 2022).

Section 23 (1) d) of the Doctoral and Habilitation Regulations of Óbuda University shall be replaced by the following text: 'proof of intermediate (B2 or equivalent) level of English'

The Regulations for Doctoral and Postdoctoral Studies of Óbuda University (version 8 valid from 13 June 2022) are amended as follows:

- § 19 (1) The DI shall make the calls for applications for doctoral programmes and the precise conditions of application available to all on its website. The DI shall lay down the detailed rules on admission requirements, applications and admission procedures in its own regulations. Admission to an organised doctoral programme is subject to a specific admission procedure.
- (2) Applications for doctoral studies shall be submitted to the Head of the DI. General conditions for admission to a DI course at the University:
- a) a Master's degree (MA/MSc) with at least a good mark, or the equivalent under the previous system (the diploma qualification does not need to be taken into account after two years from the date of its award);
- b) a knowledge of English at least at intermediate level, certified by a state recognised complex language examination at level 'C' (or equivalent); in justified cases, the DIT may allow you to fulfil these requirements in another foreign language relevant to the research topic chosen;
- c) the requirement of a state recognised complex language examination of at least intermediate level "C" in English is replaced by a school leaving certificate in the official language of the foreign state, by being recognised as a state-recognised complex intermediate language examination of type "C" in the official language of the foreign state;
- d) adequate professional skills;
- 23. § (1) The conditions for obtaining a doctoral degree are as follows:
- a) the decision of the MTTDHT in the case of technical and scientific training, and the decision of the EDHT in the case of artistic training, on the acceptance of the application for a degree;
- b) in the case of participants in organised doctoral training, the diploma awarded on completion of the training, issued by the head of the DI on the basis of a decision by the DIT. The following are required for the issue of a doctoral diploma
- the form is given in Annex D8) Data sheet for the award of a doctoral degree. The head of the DI shall issue the ab-



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at the same time, the Directorate-General for Education, which will carry out the declaration of studies;

- c) For training started after 1 September 2016, the successful completion of the complex examination is subject to the 24th examination.
- § 26; and the MTTDHT in relation to technical and natural science training, and the EDHT in relation to the field of engineering training, on the acceptance of the application for public examination;
- d) proof of intermediate knowledge of English (B2 or equivalent) proof of knowledge of two foreign languages relevant to the field of study:
 - da) the first foreign language is English, the language proficiency must be certified by a staterecognised language examination of at least intermediate level "C" (or equivalent). By way of exception, other world languages may be authorised, as provided for in Article 19(2)(b) and (c) of these Rules;
 - db) knowledge of a second foreign language can be certified by a state-approved language test of at least basic level in any world language, at least type "C";
 - de) the second foreign language examination may be waived by the MTTDHT in justified cases (examination in a foreign language of one of the subjects of the complex examination, studies in a foreign language, visiting lecturer researcher activities abroad, etc.), on the basis of the candidate's application and the DIT's recommendation in the case of technical and natural sciences, and by the EDHT in the case of arts.

These instructions shall enter into force on the day following the date of their publication and shall remain in force until revoked.



