

Recruitment Regulations for Students for the *UNiCalność* Project

§1 General Provisions

The *UNiCalność* project is an initiative of the University of Lodz aimed at preparing an interdisciplinary photographic exhibition about selected cities from a partner university of the UNIC alliance.

The project is carried out under the academic supervision of tutors: Prof. A. Pawłowska, Dr. A. Drozdowski, and Dr. Alicja Piotrowska.

§2 Participation Requirements

Recruitment is open to students of the University of Lodz:

- a) bachelor's degree students (third-year students must submit a declaration of continuing their studies at UL at the master's level),
 - b) first-year master's degree students,
 - c) doctoral students of doctoral schools who will continue their education until the end of 2025.
1. Candidates must have English language proficiency at the B2 level. Knowledge of another foreign language that is an official language in the UNIC alliance countries will be an additional asset. The declared proficiency will be verified during the recruitment process.
 2. Candidates must have a portfolio of their own photographic projects, which they will present during the recruitment process.
 3. Additional consideration will be given to candidates with documented experience in exhibition curation.



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4. Participation in the project involves carrying out a project on one of the partner cities of the UNIC alliance:
 - a) preparing materials on the history, characteristics, and current issues of the cities where UNIC partner universities are located,
 - b) conducting a photographic project during a one-week stay in a UNIC partner city,
 - c) organising an exhibition of the participant's own photographic works created during stays in a UNIC alliance city in the winter semester of the 2025/2026 academic year,
 - d) participating in international seminars aimed at better preparing the planned exhibition.

§3 Recruitment Process

1. To apply, candidates must complete the online application form available at <https://www.uni.lodz.pl/en/unic/we-are-unic/recruitment-for-a-research-project-unicalnosc>
2. Applications may be submitted in either Polish or English.
3. The recruitment process will remain open until 10 March 2025.
4. Candidates must provide the following documents:
 - a) Link to CV,
 - b) Link to portfolio,
 - c) (Optional) Proof of English proficiency at B2 level, such as a language certificate, university grade, or an official statement from a lecturer – to be presented at interview.
 - d) (Optional) Proof of proficiency in another foreign language spoken in one of the UNIC alliance cities - to be presented at interview.
5. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for interviews. The final selection will be made by the tutors based on the outcome of these interviews.
6. Candidates will be notified of the results via email.

§4 Candidate Evaluation Criteria

1. The recruitment process will assess the following criteria:
 - a) Motivation to participate in the project,
 - b) Interest in urban studies, culture, and art,
 - c) Language proficiency,
 - d) Experience in artistic projects,
 - e) Grade point average from the previous semester,
 - f) Ability to work in an interdisciplinary team.

§5 Project Implementation

1. The recruitment process will select six participants, who will take part in study visits to three different UNIC partner cities in two-person teams.
2. The University of Lodz, using funds from the "We are UNIC!" project, will cover travel and accommodation costs for the selected cities, as agreed with the tutors (in accordance with the university's regulations for student and doctoral student mobility abroad).
3. Participants will engage in the preparation of the exhibition by attending seminars and collaborating with researchers and students from different academic fields.
4. Participants are required to keep a Research Journal during the trip (Appendix 2).
5. Upon their return, participants will begin preparations for the exhibition of their works, which will take place in November 2025.

§6 Personal Data Protection

Pursuant to Article 13(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation, hereinafter referred to as "GDPR"), the Organizer informs that:

1. The administrator of personal data processed as part of the "UNiCalność" competition is the University of Lodz, located at Narutowicza 68, 90-136 Łódź, Poland.
2. In any case, the person whose data is being processed may contact the Data Protection Officer by sending correspondence to the above address with the note: "Data Protection Officer UŁ" or via email at: iod@uni.lodz.pl.

3. Personal data, including first name(s), surname, and email address, will be processed for the following purposes: registering participation in the competition, communicating with team members, and organizing and conducting the project.
4. Personal data in the form of an image and full name will be used for promotional, educational, and science popularization purposes on the University of Lodz's social media accounts, provided that consent for the use of the image has been given.
5. Personal data will be processed based on:
 - Article 6(1)(e) of the GDPR in connection with Articles 2 and 11 of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (as it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the administrator in relation to the mission of the higher education and science system in the fields of education, scientific activities, shaping civic attitudes, as well as participation in social development and the creation of an innovation-based economy);
 - Article 6(1)(a) of the GDPR based on the consent given for personal data processing (in the case of consent for the use of the image).
6. When personal data processing is based on consent, the person who has given consent has the right to withdraw it at any time without affecting the lawfulness of processing carried out before withdrawal.
7. Personal data may be shared with other entities authorized by applicable law and relevant agreements concluded with the University of Lodz. Personal data (in the form of a recorded image) may also be processed by service providers: YouTube (Google LLC), Facebook (Meta Platforms), and LinkedIn (LinkedIn Ireland Unlimited Company) in their data processing centers.
8. Personal data will be stored for the period necessary to achieve the purposes specified in point 3, including for 5 years in relation to the storage of Science Hub UŁ project documentation by the University of Lodz, counted from the date of termination of the agreement forming the basis of its implementation. Personal data will be stored for the purposes specified in point 4 for the period necessary to achieve these purposes. In cases provided for by law, personal data may also be processed for the period necessary to establish and pursue possible claims. If consent for the use of an image is given, personal data will be stored until consent is withdrawn.
9. The person whose data is processed has the right to:
 - Access their data,
 - Rectify their data if it is inaccurate,
 - Erase, restrict processing, and transfer data – in cases provided for by law,
 - Object to data processing,
 - Lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority, which is the President of the Personal Data Protection Office, located at Stawki 2, Warsaw, Poland.

10. Providing personal data is voluntary but necessary for achieving the purposes specified in point 3.

§7 Final Provisions

1. Participation in the project is free of charge.
2. Selected participants will sign participation agreements.
3. Participants must create an account and submit a form in the system of the National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA), where they will provide their personal data and confirm their eligibility criteria compliance. The confirmation of the submitted form must be sent as a PDF file to unic@uni.lodz.pl
4. Project participants are required to actively participate in study visits, seminars, and exhibition preparation.
5. Participants must agree to share their works under the Creative Commons, CC BY 4.0 license (non-commercial use without derivative works).
6. The Regulations come into effect on the date of publication and remain in force throughout the entire recruitment and project implementation period.
7. The University of Lodz reserves the right to amend the Regulations and will inform participants of any changes via its website: <https://www.uni.lodz.pl/unic/we-are-unic>



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