

UNESCO/POLAND CO-SPONSORED FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAMME IN ENGINEERING EDITION 2025

With a view to promoting human resource capacities in the developing countries and to enhancing international understanding and friendship among nations and the people of Poland, the Polish National Commission for UNESCO and the UNESCO Chair for Science, Technology and Engineering at the AGH University of Krakow have made available to UNESCO **twenty eight (28)** fellowships for a duration of **six (6)** months starting on 1st October 2025 for selected Member States listed in Annex I. Beneficiaries of these fellowships will have the opportunity to undertake an individual research programme in the field of **Science, Technology and Engineering**.

Details regarding the fellowships offered and the criteria of selection are listed below. The Polish authorities will make the final decision of selection.

A. QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

The required qualifications for each field of research (project) are as per the attached Annex III to this letter of announcement.

B. FACILITIES OFFERED BY THE POLISH AUTHORITIES

- (i) Free tuition for six (6) months and access to the university facilities based on the local regulations.
- (ii) A Monthly allowance of **1800 PLN for BSc degree students** and **2200 PLN for MSc degree students** (1 USD = approximately 4,0 PLN), payment in accordance with national taxation regulations. This allowance is intended to cover all living expenses and accommodation in Poland.
- (iii) A one-time special allowance of **1800 PLN for BSc degree students** or **2200 PLN for MSc** to be paid upon arrival in Poland, this sum will cover different activities related to your stay in Krakow, such as an obligatory medical check-up upon arrival (in accordance with the internal regulations for all students and fellows); cultural, historical and/or touristic visits, conferences, workshops, and seminars related to your studies.

No provision to finance or lodge family members is made.

At the end of the research studies, the beneficiaries will receive a certificate attesting to their attendance at the host institution, this certificate will be given after receipt of the requested reports and financial clearance from the Institution.

C. FACILITIES OFFERED BY UNESCO

- (i) **International travel expenses:** (by the most direct, economical route) from the beneficiary's country to and from Poland will be covered by UNESCO.
- (ii) **Health insurance for the beneficiaries who are declared medically fit:** UNESCO fellowship holders may be covered by a health insurance policy, taken out by the Organization for the duration of the fellowship. UNESCO will enrol the awarded fellows in the insurance plan and cover the associated costs.
- (iii) A one-time special pocket allowance amounting to 120 (one hundred and twenty) US dollars.

D. VISA

Fellows from countries with a Polish Embassy or Consulate must obtain their entry visa for Poland before departure. Those from countries without a Polish Embassy or Consulate should secure their visa through the nearest Embassy or Consulate of the Republic of Poland.

UNESCO and the Government of the Republic of Poland **do not provide financial assistance** for passport or visa expenses. Selected beneficiaries are responsible for obtaining their own visas.

E. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FILES

Candidatures should be endorsed by the National Commission of the invited Member States.

Letters of endorsement and scanned copies of all required supporting documents for nominated candidates must be submitted by the National Commission for UNESCO of the candidate's country by email addressed to agh.poland@unesco.org (with uniune25@agh.edu.pl and Fellowships.Engineering@unesco.pl in copy) **by 12 May 2025 at the latest (Midnight Paris time)**.

Applications must include the following supporting documents:

- (i) UNESCO fellowships application forms, including medical certificate, **ALL four (4) pages** duly completed **in English using capital letters** (illegible documents will be disqualified from the evaluation process, and handwritten forms must be completed in capital letters).
- (ii) A copy of the applicant's passport.
- (iii) A copy of the applicant's identity photo.
- (iv) Certified copies (in English) of the Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD degree obtained (with Apostille or authorised by competent authority); For countries that do not recognize the Apostille: legalization the above documents in the country of issue is required.
- (v) A UNESCO certificate of language proficiency, duly completed by a relevant authority, if the candidate's mother tongue is not English.
- (vi) Two letters of recommendation from people familiar with the candidate's work, confirming their qualifications (dated 2025 year).

Incomplete documentation will result in rejection of the application on formal reasons.

Upon receiving the endorsement from their National Commissions, candidates must complete and submit the information sheet at the following [link](#).

Candidates who do not meet the above-mentioned requirements or fail to submit a complete application before the deadline will be disqualified from the selection process.

Only selected candidates will be notified of the results through their respective National Commissions for UNESCO.

IMPORTANT

National authorities are responsible for ensuring that all candidates are fully informed of the above-mentioned conditions before submitting their applications.

All correspondence should be in English only.