

## Master's Programme 'Politics. Economics. Philosophy'

### Assessment criteria for the application portfolio

	Assessment		Gradings (100-points scale)
1.	Letter of Motivation	Letter of motivation must be submitted in English (no less than 4,000 and no more than 7,000 characters with spaces). In the letter, an applicant describes his or her academic and professional achievements and area of academic interests, reveals what skills and knowledge he or she expects to acquire with the Master's programme "Politics. Economics. Philosophy", and also describes possible directions of research during studies at one of the tracks of the Master's programme "Politics. Economics. Philosophy". An applicant is expected to convincingly connect specific grounds of interest in studying at the Master's programme "Politics. Economics. Philosophy" (indicating a preferred track of studies) with the present and possible future professional activities.	0-20
2.	Diploma of higher education	Diploma of higher education  If an applicant has not yet received a diploma of higher education, an official copy of the most recent academic transcript must be presented.	0-15
3.	Letters of recommendation	Applicants are advised to use <a href="#">HSE's letter of recommendation guidelines</a> .  Letters of recommendation of a supervisor, another faculty member (researcher) or an employer who personally knows the applicant as a student (and/or as a researcher and/or as an employee). A recommendation must be targeted; otherwise, a recommendation cannot be accepted for consideration. A recommendation should inform of the specific activities and achievements of the applicant during joint work with the referee and contain arguments in favour of studies at the Master's programme "Politics. Economics. Philosophy".	0-10
4.	Academic publications, conference (seminar) reports	Copies of publications (including publications in co-authorship) in peer-reviewed academic journals (with imprint).  Applicants may submit texts from publications not included in citation bases (on the condition that publications have ISBNs).  Applicants may submit articles and book chapters accepted for publication (with a certificate of acceptance for publication).	0-10

5.	<p>Documents not listed above including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• valid English proficiency exam results</li> <li>• diplomas of prize-winners of academic contests and student olympiads,</li> <li>• participation certificates from conferences, etc.</li> <li>• certificates of completed MOOCs</li> </ul>	<p>TOEFL / IELTS / PTE / CAE / BEC</p> <p>Native English speakers and students who completed their entire degrees exclusively in English do not need to submit proof of their English proficiency. Other applicants should submit test results no more than two years old.</p> <p>Diplomas of prize-winners of academic contests and student olympiads</p> <p>Certificates of conference participation (indicating name and date of a conference, name of a speaker, topic of a report); copy of the conference program can be submitted with an indication of name, place and date of a conference, name of a speaker, and topic of a report; a collection of conference abstracts can be submitted with an indication of a name, place and date of a conference, name of a speaker and topic of a report);</p> <p>Certificates of completed online courses on reputable MOOC platforms (Coursera, etc.)</p>	0-15
6.	Interview	<p>An interview is conducted with the aim of assessing the level of preparedness of an applicant to master the interdisciplinary programme “Politics. Economics. Philosophy”, actual motivation of an applicant, as well as, if necessary, to receive comments and clarifications from an applicant on the documents submitted.</p> <p>The duration of an interview is not regulated.</p> <p>An interview is conducted online (via Skype or Zoom).</p>	0-30
<b>Maximum Score</b>			0-100