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**Regulations on Tuition Fee Discounts for Foreign Citizens
and Stateless Persons Admitted to HSE University, Moscow in
via Separate Entry Competitions under Educational Agreements Financed by
Individuals and/or Legal Entities**

I. General Provisions

1. These Regulations on Tuition Fee Discounts for Foreign Citizens and Stateless Persons Admitted to HSE University, Moscow via Separate Entry Competitions under Educational Agreements Financed by Individuals and/or Legal Entities (referred to as the "Regulations," "discounts," and "HSE University", respectively) outline the criteria, terms, and procedures for awarding tuition fee discounts to foreign citizens and stateless persons (referred to collectively as "international students") upon their admission to degree programmes at National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow, through separate competitive selections for studies under educational agreements funded by individuals and/or legal entities (referred to as an "educational agreement"). These Regulations do not cover Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes that do not offer places/slots funded by subsidies from the Russian federal budget allocated for state assignments, as well as the Master's programme in Financial Economics.

2. The procedure, criteria, and terms for granting discounts to international students at HSE University's regional campuses are governed by the bylaws of each respective campus.

3. These Regulations are designed to increase the number of international students enrolled in degree programmes at HSE University and to boost motivation among international students to strive for academic excellence during their studies at HSE University.

4. The following discounts may be granted to international students upon admission to HSE University degree programmes, as specified in paragraph 1:

4.1. tuition fee discounts provided upon admission to Bachelor's and Specialist degree programmes offered by HSE University, contingent upon the applicant successfully passing all entrance examinations:

4.1.1. discounts granted for outstanding results at entrance examinations;

4.1.2. discounts granted upon successful completion of educational programmes offered by the Centre for International Preparatory Programmes (referred to as "preparatory programmes") or upon successful completion of a Russian language programme offered by HSE University;

4.1.3. discounts based on the results of participation in Olympiads/competitions hosted by HSE University;

4.1.4. discounts granted to graduates from HSE University's partner schools, which have signed cooperation agreements with the University;

4.1.5. discounts provided for early conclusion of educational agreements and payment of tuition fees for the first year of study as per the conditions outlined in paragraph 23;

4.2. tuition fee discounts granted upon admission to Master's degree programmes offered by HSE University:

4.2.1. discounts granted for outstanding results at entrance examinations;

4.2.2. discounts granted upon completion of preparatory programmes and the Russian language programme;

4.2.3. discounts based on the results of participation in the Summer University programme;

4.2.4. discounts granted to graduates of Bachelor's or Specialist degree programmes offered by HSE University;

4.2.5. discounts granted based on the results of participation in the Competition for Students and Graduates, hosted by HSE University, as well as the International Olympiad "Open Doors: Russian Scholarship Project" (referred to as the "Open Doors Competition");

4.2.6. discounts provided for early conclusion of educational agreements and payment of tuition fees for the first year of study as per the conditions outlined in paragraph 30.

5. All discounts listed in paragraph 4 (except for those specified in sub-paragraphs 4.1.5 and 4.2.6) are granted to international students upon their admission to HSE University and remain applicable throughout their entire period of studies, provided that they meet the requirements outlined in paragraph 6.

Discounts mentioned in sub-paragraphs 4.1.5 and 4.2.6 are awarded to international students for the first year of studies upon their admission to HSE University.

6. To remain eligible for the discounts listed in paragraph 4 (except for those specified in sub-paragraphs 4.1.5 and 4.2.6):

6.1. international students must not be subject to disciplinary action in the form of a reprimand;

6.2. based on the results of each interim assessment for all components of an international student's curriculum established in the academic calendar, the student must:

6.2.1. have no grades lower than 4 points on a 10-point scale¹ (after retakes);

6.2.2. have no more than 2 (two) grades equal to 4 and/or 5 points on a 10-point scale.

The eligibility criterion specified in sub-paragraph 6.1 will apply to international students from the second year of study until their graduation.

The eligibility criterion specified in sub-paragraph 6.2 will apply to international students from the first interim assessment in the second year of study until their graduation and will not be applicable during their first year of studies.

7. International students are entitled to only one discount from those specified in paragraph 4 (except for the discounts indicated in sub-paragraphs 4.1.5 and 4.2.6). If a foreign citizen is eligible for more than one discount from among those listed in sub-paragraphs 4.1.1–4.1.4 and 4.2.1–4.2.5, they will be provided with one discount of their own choice.

¹ Except in cases where a grade lower than 4 points was assigned due to the student's absence from the examination for a valid reason, supported by evidence provided in accordance with the established procedure at HSE University.

8. If a discount has been granted to an international student, a respective addendum to their educational agreement must be signed with them.

9. If an international student who has been granted a discount is given exceptional leave of absence, maternity leave, or childcare leave for children aged 3 years or younger (referred to as "leave"), the discount will be suspended for the period of their leave and subsequently restored upon the student's return from leave for the remaining part of the period for which the discount was provided.

10. If a foreign citizen transfers to a different degree programme within the same group of fields of study / specializations, they will remain eligible for the same discount.

11. If a foreign citizen transfers to another HSE University degree programme belonging to a different group of fields of study / specializations than their initial degree programme, the discount may remain in effect as per a decision of the dean (head of the subdivision engaged in the provision of the degree programme), based on a relevant request filed by the academic supervisor of the degree programme to which the student has transferred.

12. If a foreign citizen is dismissed from HSE University for any reason and later reinstated, any previously granted discounts will no longer apply.

13. Any discount provided to an international student, except for those stipulated in sub-paragraphs 4.1.5 and 4.2.6, may be discontinued if they fail to meet the eligibility criteria outlined in paragraph 6.

14. Any withdrawal of a discount before the end of the period for which it was granted will be enacted by an HSE University directive. This directive will be prepared by the curriculum support unit of the relevant degree programme and signed by a vice rector coordinating international activities at HSE University.

15. Discounts are financed from the central budget of HSE University and budgets of subdivisions in proportions determined in the Regulations for HSE Faculty Budgets and other applicable HSE University bylaws, with the exception of case outlined in Section 4.

16. Additional types of discounts and grounds for providing them may be established following a decision of the HSE University Rector or faculties/subdivisions involved in the implementation of degree programmes.

17. Once these Regulations come into effect, any previously granted discounts will remain unchanged and valid for the entire duration for which they were granted.

18. In the event of any changes to these Regulations, any previously granted discounts will remain unchanged and valid for the entire duration for which they were granted.

II. Size of Tuition Fee Discounts Provided to International Students upon Admission to Bachelor's / Specialist Degree Programmes at HSE University

19. The size of tuition fee discounts granted based on entry examination results, contingent upon successful completion of each examination, will be as follows:

19.1. a 70% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme – if the applicant's final cumulative score for all exams is 170 points or higher;

19.2. a 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme – if the applicant’s final cumulative score for all exams is 150 to 169 points;

19.3. a 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme – if the applicant’s final cumulative score for all exams is 140 to 149 points;

20. Based on the learning outcomes of preparatory programmes and Russian language programme, provided that an applicant furnishes documents validating successful completion of the respective educational programme (without unsatisfactory grades), international students may receive a 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme. This discount may be granted to graduates of preparatory programmes offered at HSE University and graduates of preparatory departments at other Russian academic institutions.

21. Based on their performance in HSE Olympiads/student competitions and provided they have successfully completed all entrance examinations, international students will qualify for the following discounts upon admission to Bachelor’s/Specialist degree programmes aligned with the competition’s subject area:

21.1. first prize winners and other prize winners of the HSE Global Scholarship Competition in any subject area will be eligible for a 70% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year.

22. Graduates from partner schools of HSE University, which have entered into educational collaboration agreements with the University, will be entitled to a 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year.

23. International students who sign an educational agreement and pay tuition fees for Modules 1–2 in their first academic year by June 1 of the admission year will receive a 5% discount on the tuition fee established for the first academic year in the respective degree programme.

III. Size of Tuition Fee Discounts Provided to International Students upon Admission to Master’s Degree Programmes at HSE University

24. The following discounts will apply based on the results of entry examinations:

24.1. a 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme – for applicants whose final cumulative score for a portfolio review is 50 points or higher;

24.2. a 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme – for applicants whose final cumulative score for a portfolio review is from 40 to 49 points.

25. Based on the learning outcomes of preparatory programmes and Russian language programme, provided that an applicant furnishes documents validating successful completion of the respective educational programme (without unsatisfactory grades), international students may receive a 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year in a given degree programme.

26. International students who have participated in the Summer University programme will receive a 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the ongoing academic year. To qualify for this discount, students must present a certificate of participation in the Summer University programme.

27. International graduates of Bachelor's/Specialist degree programmes at HSE University will be entitled to a 25% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year.

28. First prize winners of the Open Doors Competition will be eligible for a 70% discount on tuition fees established for the current academic year, provided they have successfully passed all relevant entrance examinations.

29. Other prize winners of the Open Doors Competition will be eligible for a 50% discount on the tuition fee established for the current academic year, provided they have successfully passed all relevant entrance examinations.

30. International students who sign an educational agreement and pay tuition fees for Modules 1–2 in their first academic year by June 1 of the admission year will receive a 5% discount on the tuition fee established for the first academic year in the respective degree programme.

IV. Tuition Fee Discounts Funded from Faculty Budgets and/or Budgets of Subdivisions Engaged in the Implementation of Degree Programmes

31. International students may receive tuition fee discounts provided from the budgets of faculties or subdivisions engaged in the implementation of degree programmes (referred to as the "subdivision").

32. The procedure for granting discounts funded from faculty/subdivision budgets will be approved by the academic council of the respective faculty/subdivision. If a given faculty/subdivision does not have academic council, the procedure will be approved by the faculty dean / head of the respective subdivision.

33. The procedure for granting discounts funded from the budget of a faculty/subdivision will be published on the relevant faculty/subdivision website, as well as on the webpage of the respective degree programme on the HSE University corporate website and the International Admissions Office website at admissions.hse.ru.

34. Discounts funded from the budget of a faculty/subdivision may be combined with other types of discounts.