



UNIVERSITY OF PRESOV

FACULTY OF SPORTS

Department of education

**CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION TO DOCTORAL STUDIES
IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027
IN THE FIELD OF STUDY SPORT SCIENCES**

STUDY PROGRAMME: Sports Educology

Form of study:	part-time
Language in which the study programme is delivered:	English
Study method:	combined
Academic degree:	3rd
Standard duration of study:	4 years
Degree awarded after successful completion of the study programme:	PhD. (philosophiae doctor)
Estimated number of applicants admitted to study in English language:	3 (part-time)

GRADUATE PROFILE AND EMPLOYABILITY:

Graduate of the doctoral degree in the study programme Sport Educology:

- has extensive cross-cutting knowledge, skills, and competencies in the Sport Sciences, with a priority focus on Sport Educology,
- can be employed as a university teacher and researcher in the field of Sport Sciences, as an expert in the management of sport organisations and federations, and as an expert in public administration with the competence to solve problems of physical activity in relation to the promotion of the health of the population.

ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR PhD. STUDIES:

- the basic requirement for admission is a second-cycle (Master's level) university degree in the field of Sport Sciences; or in the field of Teacher Education and Educational Sciences with a focus on Physical Education, or in related fields of study,
- another admission condition is the successful completion of the entrance exam,
- knowledge of the English language at a minimum level of B2.



UNIVERSITY OF PREŠOV

FACULTY OF SPORTS

Department of education

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS: until 08. 06. 2026

DATE OF THE ADMISSION EXAMINATION: 24. 06. – 02. 07. 2026

ANNUAL TUITION FEES IN THE PART TIME FORM OF STUDY IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE: 3 000,- €

Contact person to study in English language:

Mgr. et Mgr. Terézia Kovalik Slančová, PhD.

e-mail: terezia.slancova@unipo.sk

Fee for material support for the admission procedure: 50,- €

Payment can be made by postal order or bank transfer.

Bank: State Treasury

Account number in IBAN format: SK43 8180 0000 0070 0019 9568

Variable symbol: 1070

SWIFT: SPSRSKBA

Proof of payment is a mandatory attachment to the application form, otherwise the application will not be accepted.

Applicants will not be refunded the fee for non-attendance!

Address for delivery of applications:

University of Prešov

Faculty of Sports

Department of education

Ul. 17. novembra č. 15

080 01 Prešov

Slovakia

Candidate is required to submit a paper (hard copy) application form with the necessary attachments listed below and the signature of the candidate by the closing date. In the case of not having evidence of second-level education by the deadline, he/she will deliver it without delay.

The application must be submitted on the prescribed form (Application for Doctoral Studies - 3rd degree), legibly and carefully completed and signed and dated by the applicant.



UNIVERSITY OF PRESOV

FACULTY OF SPORTS

Department of education

Required attachments to the application form:

- **documentary proof of payment** of the material support fee for the admission procedure,
- **Curriculum vitae** signed by the applicant (Europass),
- **certified photocopies of evidence of second-level education** (to be sent immediately after obtaining them),
- **dissertation thesis project** (in one printed copy; bound in binder or comb binding and in electronic pdf to be sent to the address: veronika.simockova@unipo.sk)

Optional attachments to the application:

- an inventory of publication outputs during the master's studies and their separate printouts (the category and type of publication output must be documented for the publication output),
- confirmation of active participation in another scientific or professional conference during the master's studies.

The dissertation thesis project should be prepared in accordance with *the PU Directive on the requirements of theses, their bibliographic registration, originality control, storage, and accessibility*.

Reference to structure and formal requirements of the dissertation thesis project:
https://www.unipo.sk/sites/default/files/content/84562/structure-and-formal-requirements-of-the-dissertation-thesis-project_15_01_26.pdf

THE CONTENT FOCUS OF THE ADMISSION EXAMINATION:

- **presentation of the dissertation thesis project** (introductory input of the candidate in the form of a PPT presentation - max. 7 minutes),
- **debate on the dissertation project**,
- **examination in Sports Science Methodology** – debate on research issues related to the topic of the dissertation thesis,
- **exam in Sports Educology** in relation to the topic of the dissertation thesis,
- **English language exam** (interview at secondary school leaving certificate (B2) level related to the dissertation topic and personal profile).



UNIVERSITY OF PREŠOV

FACULTY OF SPORTS

Department of education

The overall mark of the admissions examination shall also include:

- publishing activities within the last 5 years
- active participation in another scientific or professional conference within the last 5 years.

In Prešov February 26, 2026

doc. PaedDr. Pavel Ružbarský, PhD., univer. prof.
Dean

Approved by the AS FŠ PU in Prešov March 19, 2026.