

The Stefan Banach Scholarship Programme

The Stefan Banach Scholarship Programme aims to support the socio-economic growth of developing countries by improving the knowledge and education of the citizens of Eastern Partnership, Central Asian and Western Balkan countries. It is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA), implemented as part of the Polish development assistance programme. The Programme's patron is Stefan Banach – an eminent Polish mathematician, the co-founder of the Lviv School of Mathematics and the branch of mathematics known as functional analysis.

The Programme offers an opportunity to pursue **second-cycle studies** in the **full-time mode** in the field of **engineering and technical, agricultural, applied and life sciences** at public and non-public universities subordinate to the Minister of Science and Higher Education, benefiting from an exemption from public university fees and a monthly Scholarship from NAWA in the statutory period of studying in Poland.

The Scholarship offer is addressed to the citizens of countries identified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as having priority status for the Programme: **Belarus, Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan**, as well as the following **Western Balkan countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo, North Macedonia and Serbia**.

The candidates shall be qualified under the competition procedure, based on the results of an interview conducted by an Evaluation Committee appointed by the Director of NAWA, composed of the academic researchers representing Polish higher education institutions. The candidates themselves select the university and the field of study, based on the educational offer of Polish higher education institutions.

NAWA Stypendium Banacha

