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SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

ANNOUNCEMENT Admission of Graduate Students *"MSc in Data Science"* First Round

The School of Science & Technology of the International Hellenic University invites interested parties to apply for the postgraduate programme of studies "MSc in Data Science" for the academic year 2025-2026. The courses of the programme are taught exclusively in English. The academic staff comes from Universities in Greece and abroad.

1. The certified by the Hellenic Authority for Higher Education (HAHE) MSc programme in Data Science (https://st.ihu.gr/studies/postgraduate/datascience) leads to the acquisition of a Master's Degree. The programme curriculum requires the attendance of taught courses for two academic semesters for full-time students and the completion of a Master's dissertation. The duration of the full-time study programme in order to obtain the MA degree is three (3) academic semesters. For students who so wish, there is also the possibility, upon request, of attending the programme on a part–time basis. In this case, the duration of the MA will be five (5) academic semesters. In addition, it is possible to attend the programme combining distance learning with traditional face-to-face teaching.

2. The MSc in Data Science programme accepts, after a careful selection process, graduates from Greek universities or equivalent institutions from abroad (<u>https://www.doatap.gr/home_english/</u>) having a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) degree, as well as from Greek Technological Educational Institutes in related subject areas according to Law 4610/2019 and 4957/2022, as applicable. Other degrees are also considered in case of solid background in statistics/ mathematics and good knowledge of fundamental concepts of databases and programming. Students with a small number of pending courses to obtain the degree can also apply, and if they are accepted, have the right to enrol in the Postgraduate Program only if they submit a certificate of completion of studies by the deadline for their registration.

3. The "MSc in Data Science" programme aims to provide graduate level education with an interdisciplinary approach as regards A.I., Machine Learning, the management, visualization and processing of big data as well as the relevant computational techniques and technologies and is targeted towards graduates and professionals who wish to broaden their knowledge in the field.

4. The selection of postgraduate students will be undertaken in accordance with the provisions of current legislation, based mainly on the relevance of the subject of the candidate's first degree with respect to the subject area of the postgraduate programme, the grades received in first degree qualifications, the grades received on the thesis and undergraduate courses related to the "MSc in Data Science", the candidate's certified proficiency in the English language, the candidate's curriculum vitae and recommendation letters.

5. Interested parties are invited to submit an electronic application through https://apply.ihu.edu.gr/ from February 17, 2025 until May 28, 2025.

Application documentation must include the following:

- Copy of degrees (University degree, other postgraduate degree, etc.).
- Copy of the transcript of grades all years of undergraduate as well as any postgraduate studies. Foreign institutions and their degree types should be included in National Registry of Recognized Foreign Higher Education Institutes and in the National Registry of Foreign Recognized Academic Title Types of the Hellenic National Academic Recognition and Information Center (Hellenic NARIC), according to Law 4957/2022 as amended by Law 5029/20231.
- English language knowledge documented with a relevant certificate, corresponding at least to the State Certificate of Language Learning Level B2 or other certificate proving good knowledge of English. Holders of an undergraduate or postgraduate degree at a Foreign University in English are exempt from this obligation.
- At least two (2) recommendation letters. Letters must be signed by faculty members
 of the candidate's university or by academics from other educational institutions that
 are familiar with the candidate's academic background. In case of candidates with
 significant professional experience, they can also submit letters from people in their
 professional field.
- A detailed curriculum vitae.

"5. If an institution or degree has not been registered by the Hellenic NARIC in the registers of par. 1, the Board of Directors of the Hellenic NARIC examines, ex officio or following a request of the bodies of par. 4, whether the conditions of this Chapter are met and with its decision includes them in the registers."

¹ According to par. 4 and 5 of art. 304 of Law 4957/2022 as amended by Law 5029/2023:

[&]quot;4. The Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) of the country and the public research centers supervised by the General Secretariat of Research and Innovation are bound by the Registers herein, in order for the relevant bodies to determine whether a foreign institution or a type of title from a foreign institution are recognized for: a) the acceptance of an application and registration for admission to a postgraduate study program or the preparation of a doctoral thesis,....

If the degree is included in the list of article 307, the competent body of the university or research center in addition to the other supporting documents required, must request a Certificate of Place of Study, which is issued and sent by the institution where the studies were carried out or by the institution where the research project is carried out. If Greece is confirmed as the place of studies or a part of them, the degree is not recognized, unless the part of the studies that took place in the Greece is in a public HEI"

- Any other information that, in the opinion of the candidates, would contribute to their more complete evaluation, such as certificates of participation in summer schools, conferences, student exchange programs, IKY scholarships. or other recognized institutions, prizes in competitions, presentations of papers in scientific conferences, proof of participation in research projects, scientific publications, certificates of professional experience, etc.
- A copy of ID or passport.
- A recent passport size photograph

Further information is available from the Secretariat and the Programme Manager of the School of Science & Technology of the International Hellenic University (tel. 0030 2310 807529/521, email: admissions@ihu.edu.gr).

Compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EE 2016/679)

Prospective students who submit an application and the supporting documents, give their consent to the processing of their personal data for the purpose of assessment of their candidacy in order to become accepted to a postgraduate programme of the International Hellenic University.

If a candidate is not selected, his/her details are deleted from the School's archives within a period of 30 days. A candidate whose application is not successful is entitled to receive the documents submitted, otherwise the documents are destroyed within 30 days.

Thessaloniki, 7/2/2025

The Dean of the School

Professor Maria Drakaki