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INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR ASTRONOMY AND ASTROPHYSICS PhD STUDIES

Nicolaus Copernicus Astronomical Center offers opportunity for carrying out graduate studies leading to a PhD degree in Astronomy and Astrophysics. The PhD studies are related to subjects pursued at the Copernicus Center including observational and theoretical astrophysics as well as cosmology. Our senior scientists participate in the H.E.S.S. and CTA projects and are involved in the instrumental projects of astronomical satellites INTEGRAL, SPICA and ATHENA. The Copernicus Center represents Polish astronomical community in the SALT consortium which operates 11-m optical telescope in South Africa. Center's scientists are leading participants of the Polish scientific satellite project BRITE, dedicated to precise star brightness measurements, and conduct Project SOLARIS – to build in the southern hemisphere a network of small robotic telescopes committed to the exoplanet search and stellar astronomy.

Studies last 4 years. Students starting this year begin their course on October 1, 2017. During the 4 year period students are required to take specific courses, lecture and seminar series as well as prepare and defend the doctoral thesis. All seminars and lectures are in English. Students take their courses in Warsaw or in Torun according to a place of a supervisor employment. Non-Warsaw residents may apply for an accommodation in the hotel run by our Center.

List of prospective supervisors and proposed PhD topics as well as the Regulations on Doctorate Studies and other documents pertaining to the Studies are posted in the Copernicus Center web page <https://www.camk.edu.pl/en/phd/>. Candidates should contact their potential supervisors to obtain more details on the proposals and to set a plan for the work during the first year of their studies.

Candidates should provide their complete application documents including their correspondence and e-mail address and a work plan for the first year of studies (agreed with the prospective supervisor) at the Center's Secretariat by **March 19th, 2017**. Applications can be sent either by mail or by e-mail to phdstudies@camk.edu.pl. Detailed information on the form and contents of the application is given in the Attachment No 1 to the Regulations of NCAC Doctorate Studies in the web page. **Those candidates who have not yet obtained the Master/University degree on the day of the interview, are obliged to present the degree before or on September 30, 2017.**

The Recruitment Board will select candidates for the interview, which will take place on April 6th and 7th, 2017 (10 am – 3 pm) at the Copernicus Center, Bartycka 18 in Warsaw. Decision about admission will be made in early May, 2017 and all the candidates will be notified in writing. For additional information contact the Studies Supervisor, Prof. Paweł Moskalik (pam@camk.edu.pl) or the secretary Ms. Anna Wyřebek (anetka@camk.edu.pl).

Warsaw, January 20th, 2017

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