

#### **DOCTORAL STUDIES AT FEEC**

aka.

why to continue in self-education

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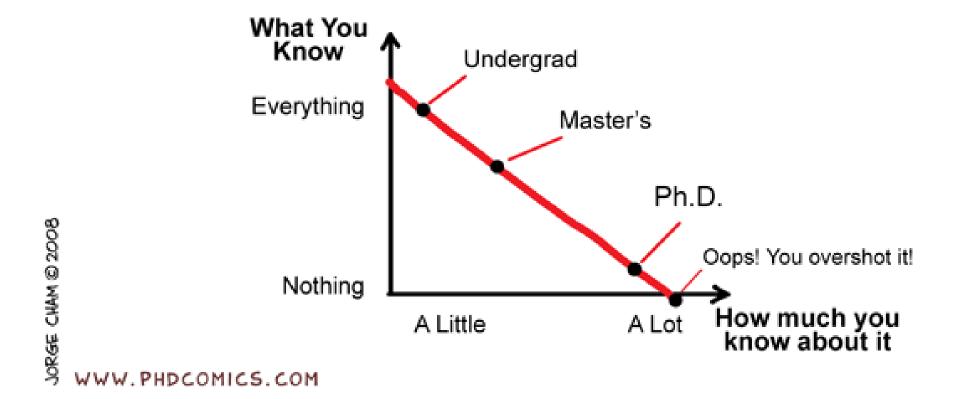
Vice-dean for R&D and PhDs studies

## Warm-up questions

- Why did come to this meeting?
- Why are you interested in PhD studies?
  - 1. I want to continue in my studies, because...
    - ...I know my aims.
    - ...its fun to me.
  - 2. Just to have a look now and decide later.
  - 3. I still don't want to work.

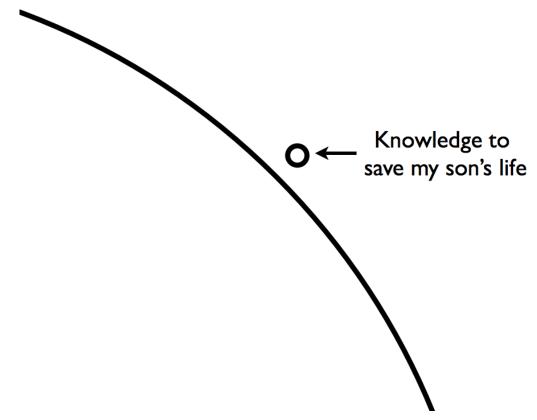
## Continue in your studies and...

What You Know vs How much you know about it



# Continue in your studies and... Illustrated Guide to a Ph.D.

Keep pushing.



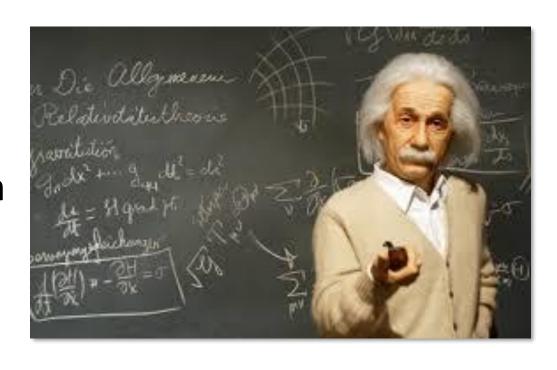
Matt Might, The Illustrated Guide to a Ph.D. <a href="https://matt.might.net/articles/phd-school-in-pictures/">https://matt.might.net/articles/phd-school-in-pictures/</a>

## Continue in your studies and...

- ...improve yourself
- …fulfill your desire for knowledge
- ...become part of R&D (at Faculty)
- ...become more than Engineer, gain another title

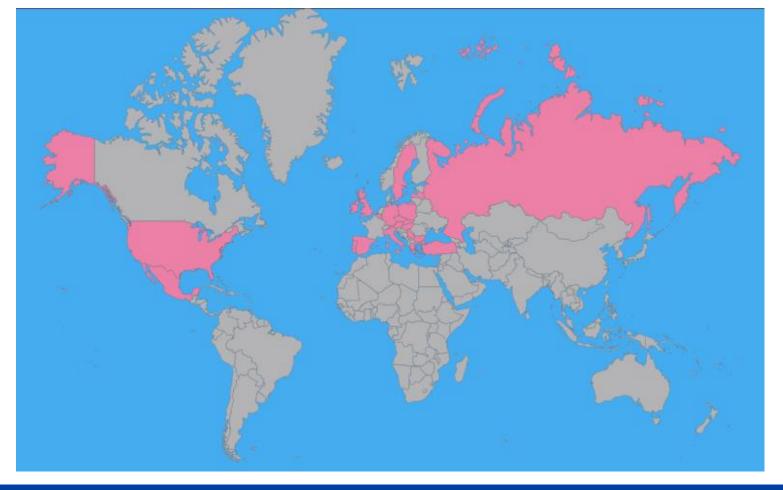
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to balance your name



# Continue in your studies and...

...explore the world

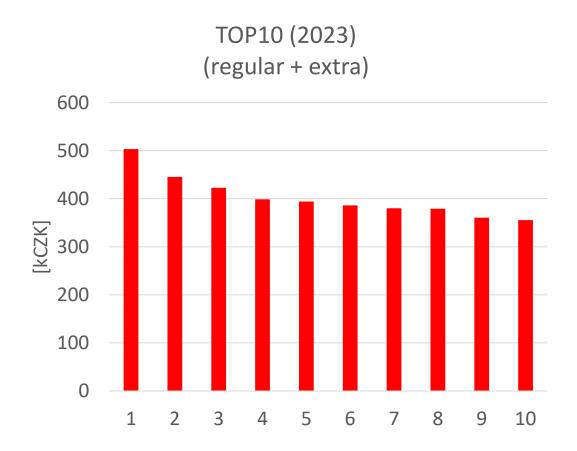


## Motivation – money

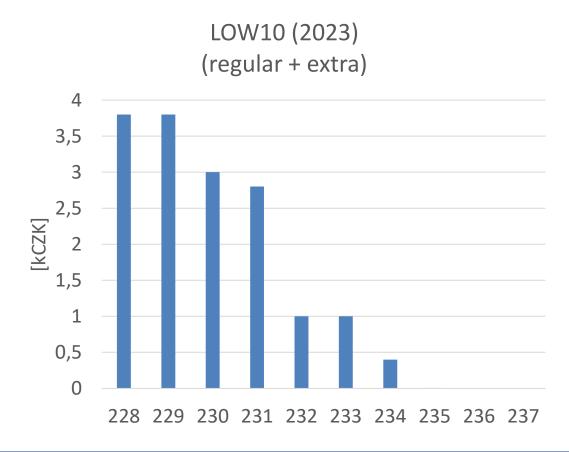
- Regular scholarship upto 10 125 CZK/M
- Extra scholarship "no limit" CZK/Y (2023 502,4 kCZK ≈ 20kEUR)
  - Activities for Dept. (Dept. Head)
  - Activities for Faculty (Dean, Vice-dean for R&D)
  - Participation in Specific research projects
  - Excelent R&D results (publications in Q1/Q2 Journals)
- "One-time" extra schoparships
  - Merit scholarship 15 kCZK for 1st year PhD students (Master study average below 1.3)
  - Submiting disertation thesis in time 40 kCZK
- Active participation in projects of your supervisor/Dept/Faculty

## Motivation – money

...aka. this way YES!



• ...aka. this way NO!

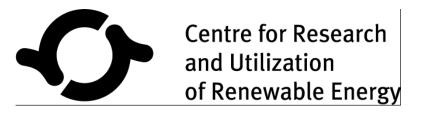


## Motivation – space for your creative activities

- Research Centers run at FEEC
  - SIX Sensor, Information and Communication systems
  - CVVOZE Centre for Research and Utilization of Renewable Energy



- Top class infrastructure in research labs
- Participation in projects
- Interdisciplinary research
- Contacts to abroad institutions

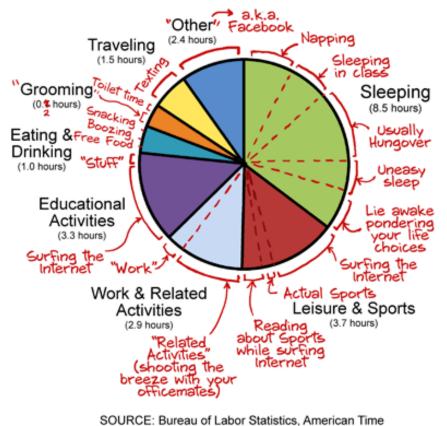


## Doctoral studies at a glanc

- 1st 4th term
  - Compulsory studies in specific blocks ("courses")
- 4th term
  - EN exam, Doctoral State Exam
- 1st (4th) 8th term
  - R&D activities, participation in projects, internship, publication of reached results, submission/defence of disertation thesis.
- Study Domain
- Teaching Experience
- Professional, Scientific, and Technical Activities
- Internship (or participation in international project)

## Doctoral studies at a glanc

Individual Study Plan



Use Survey of Full Time University Students.

## **Study Domain**

Specialized (track-specific) DS course completed with an exam	4
General DS course completed with an exam	2
DS course attended abroad and completed with an expert discussion at FEEC	6
Internship or study abroad (one co. or uni.)/international project participation	5
English course completed with an exam	4
Aims of the doctoral thesis*	4
Semi-finished doctoral thesis**	0 - 4

MS1	Minimum score for courses attended and internship or study abroad at the end of the 1st year of DS						
MS2	Minimum score for subjects attended, internship or study abroad, and English course when submitting state doctoral exam application	16					
MS4	Minimum score when submitting semi-finished thesis	22					

<sup>\*</sup> Points for "Doctoral thesis Aims" are recorded by FEEC SciDept (Jana Noskova) after successfully passing the State Doctoral Exam

<sup>\*\*</sup> Points for "Semi-finished doctoral thesis" are recorded by the supervisor after submitting Semi-finished doctoral thesis

## Internship

- Part of Study Domain
- Compulsory for each student
- Passed "somewhere" within studies
- For 1 month at least
  - Can be summed up by multiple short interships, each at least 2W (for full time studies) or 1W (for distant studies) – but not recommended
- Can be substituted by active participation in international project with co-authoring R&D results of this project

## Teaching Experince

Teaching (one period a week, in-semester)*	2
Supervising semester project or Bachelor's/Master's thesis; per academic year**	4
Teaching materials***	4

MS1	Minimum score for teaching experience at the end of the 1st year of DS						
MS2	Minimum score for teaching experience when submitting state doctoral exam application	16					
MS3	Minimum score for teaching experience when enrolling in the 4th year	28					
MS4	Minimum score when submitting semi-finished doctoral thesis	36					

<sup>\*</sup> Within teaching (numerical, computer, and laboratory practica), not more than 28 points can be granted

<sup>\*\*</sup> As regards students' projects or theses (semester project, Bachelor's or Master's theses), not more than 8 points are available.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Producing at least 20 pages of instructional and teaching materials (classes handbook; participating in the completion of textbooks); designing a laboratory tool; completing a training program.

## Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities

Original paper in a journal with IF indexed by WoS (Jimp); Patent	30
Original paper in a journal indexed by SCOPUS (Jsc) or ERIH; book	20
Original paper at an international conference (D)	10
Submitting a project proposal to receive a grant	2
Receiving a foreign grant	20
Receiving a Czech Republic grant	5
Applied research and science results (semi-industrial installation and pilot production; validated technology; prototype; applied methodology; functional sample; authorized software; utility model)	5

MS1	Minimum score for professional and scientific activity at the end of the 1st year	8
MS2	Minimum score for professional, scientific, and technical activity when submitting state doctoral exam application	20
MS3	Minimum score when enrolling in the 4th year	40
MS4	Minimum score when submitting semi-finished doctoral thesis	50
MS5	Minimum score on the doctoral thesis defense date	60

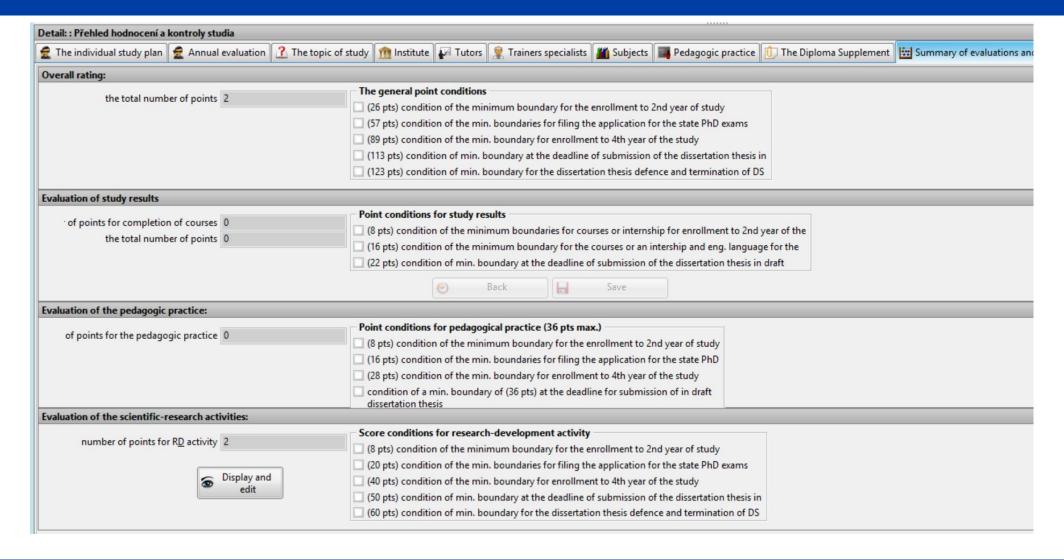
## Overall evaluation – limits

MS 1	Total minimum score at the end of the 1st year						
MS 2	Total minimum score when submitting state doctoral exam application	57					
MS 3	Total minimum score when enrolling in the 4th year	89					
MS 4	Total minimum score when submitting semi-finished doctoral thesis	113					
MS 5	Total minimum score on thesis defence and study completion date(s)	123					

## **Evaluation and monitoring of ISP**

- Annual evaluation
- Evaluation/monitoring Milestones:
  - MS1: June 30, the 1st year
  - MS2: April 30, the 2nd year (simultaneously with submitting for the doctoral state examination)
  - MS3: at enrollment in the 4th year of study
  - MS4: at submission of a semi-finished version of the doctoral thesis
  - MS5: doctoral thesis defense application
- Maximum study length: 8 years

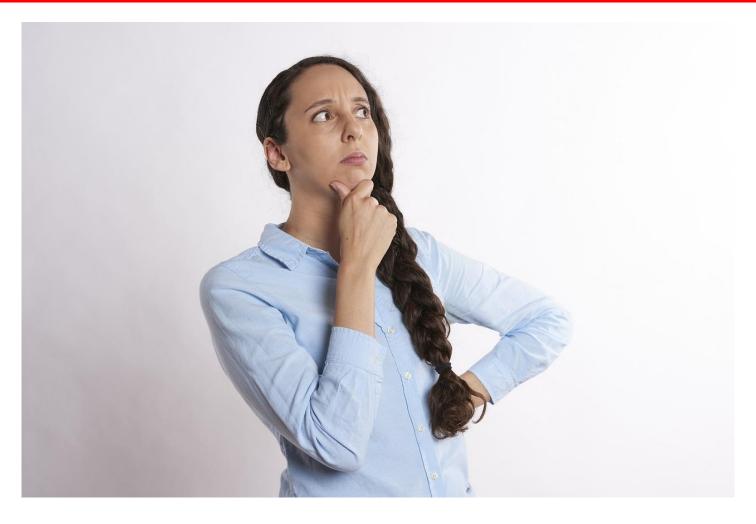
## Evaluation and monitoring of ISP – IS Apollo



# Study schedule example aka. I can make it

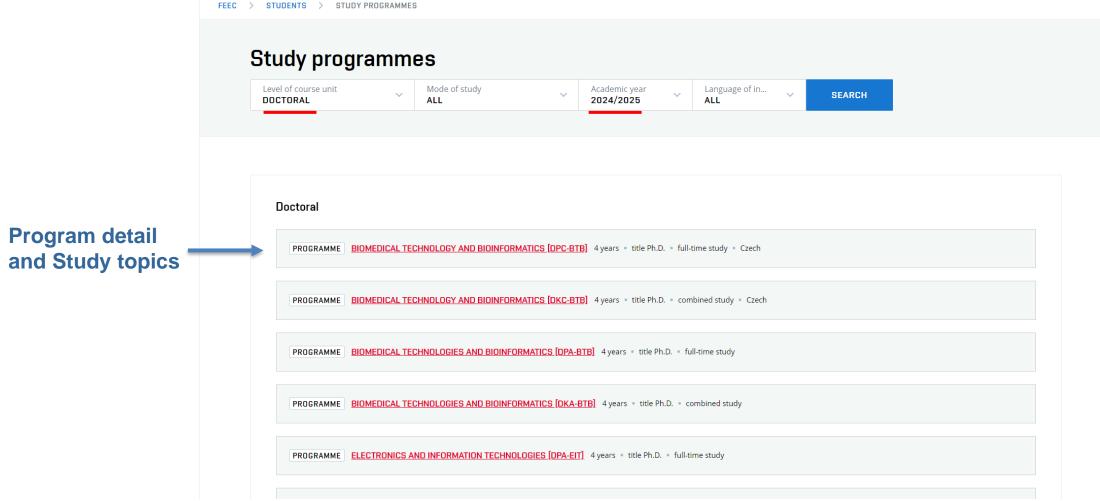
Study	Milesto	Study Domain	Point	Points	Teaching experience	Points	Points	R&D activitites	Point	Points	Poits total	Min points req.
year	ne		S	(cum.)			(cum.)			(cum.)		(cum.)
1/W		Technical course 1	4	4	PC/num/labs (4 hour/week)	8	8					
		General course 1	2	! 6								
1/S		Technical course 2	4	10	PC/num/labs (4 hour/week)	8	16	Conf. paper (co-author - 20%)	2	2		
		General course 2	2	. 12				Conf. paper (main author - 60%)	6	8		
	MS 1	(min limit is 8)		12	(min limit is 8)		16	(min limit is 8)		8	36	26
2/W		Technical course 3	4	16	PC/num/labs (4 hour/week)	8	24	Project proposal (main investigator)	2	10		
								Indexed journal paper (co-author - 20%)	6	16		
2/S		English (DxX-JA6 or DxX-QJA)	4	20	PC/num/labs (2 hour/week)	4	28	Conf paper (main author - 60%)	6	22		
					Superviso of 2 bc/mgr theses (4 p./th.)	8	36					
	MS 2	(min limit is 16)		20	(min limit is 16)		36	(min limit is 20)		22	78	57
		PhD proposal/aims	4	24								
3/W		Internship	5	29				Indexed journal paper (co-author - 40%)	12	34		
3/S								Indexed journal paper (main author - 60%)	18	52		
	MS 3	(min limit not defined)		29	(min limit is 28)		36	(min limit is 40)		52	117	89
4/W												
	MS 4	(min limit is 22)		29	(min limit is 36)		36	(min limit is 50)		52	117	113
		Semi-finished thesis (0 to 4 p.)	4	33								
4/S								Indexed journal paper (main author - 50%)	15	67		
	MS 5	(min limit not defined)		33	(min limit not defined)		36	(min limit is 60)		67	136	123

# Hmmm...



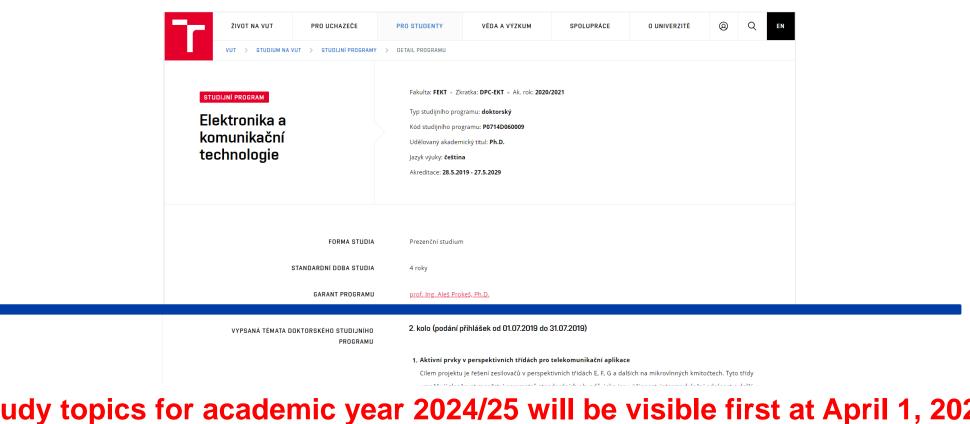
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## **Doctoral Study Prorammes**



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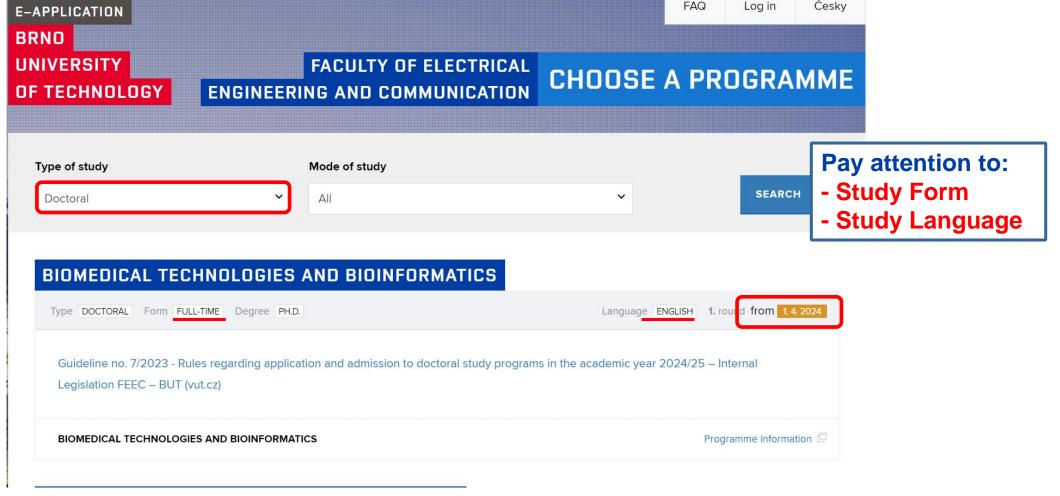
## Program detail and Study topics



!! Study topics for academic year 2024/25 will be visible first at April 1, 2024 !!

vhodnou metodiku měření pro použití u těchto obvodů. 2. Analýza a modelování přenosu digitální televize druhé generace využívající techniku prostorové diverzity Druhá generace standardu pro terestrické digitální televizní (DVB-T2) vysílání umožňuje využít k vysílání a příjmu i techniky prostorové diverzity multiple-input single-output (MISO). Téma doktorské práce je zaměřeno na analýzu

## e-Application, by April 30, 2024



CZ: <a href="https://www.vut.cz/eprihlaska/cs/zadani/vybrat-obor/fakulta/5?formID=filter-obory&typStudiald=2&formaStudiald=0&btnFilter=1">https://www.vut.cz/eprihlaska/cs/zadani/vybrat-obor/fakulta/5?formID=filter-obory&typStudiald=2&formaStudiald=0&btnFilter=1</a>
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## e-Application – suppletory documents

- Simple scan/copy of university degree certificate(s)
  - Holds for applicants out of BUT-FEEC
  - If the certificate was not issued yet, upload justification and later bring the certificate for Entrace exam (holds for all applicants)
- Applicant's CV in English
- Applicant Statement
  - Interest in study topic
  - Previous activities linked to study topic (own experience from practice, own research, participation in projects, internships,...)
  - Expected results and contribution to the area of study topic
  - Written in English, max 2 A4 pages
- Documents attached as PDF filed to e-Application, Originals passed over during the entrance examination

CZ: https://www.vut.cz/uredni-deska/vnitrni-legislativa-fekt/-d247658 EN: https://www.vut.cz/en/board/internal-legislation-feec/-d247658

### **Entrance** examination

- June 7, 2024 (1st round); August 27, 2024 (2nd round\*)
- April 27, 2024 alternative date (1st round); April 29, 2024 (2nd round\*)
- Oral examination in front of a board of examiners:
  - questions related to the field of the future doctoral thesis;
  - discussion about your motivation;
  - discussion on the applicant's creative activities;
  - conversation-based and/or other tasks to verify competence in English;
  - conversation-based and/or other tasks to verify competence in Czech, in foreign nationals wishing to enroll in a Czech language study program.

<sup>\*</sup> The announcement of 2nd round of submitting e-applications is up to dean's decision. Later check for Faculty News

### Main norms linked to PhD studies at FEEC

- Směrnice č. 1/2022 (EN)
  - Pravidla pro organizaci studia na FEKT
  - Rules for organization of studies at the Faculty of electrical engineering and communication, BUT
- Směrnice děkana č. 7/2023 (EN)
  - Pravidla přijímacího řízení a podmínky pro přijetí ke studiu v doktorských studijních programech pro akademický rok 2024/25
  - Rules regarding application and admission to doctoral study programs in the academic year 2024/25

# I am in! What are my next steps?

- Preferably in person meet your potential supervisor!
  - Clarify your ideas, what do you/does your supervisor expect from the study area
- Submit your e-Application
  - 1st round April 1-30, 2024; 2nd round July 1-31, 2024
- Attend the entrance exam
  - Regular: 1st round June 7, 2024; 2nd round April 27, 2024
  - Alternative: 1st round August 27, 2024; 2nd round April 28, 2024
- Continue in your studies

# I am in! Can I do something more?

- Don't wait for April 1 to see the final list of Study topics!
- Contact your "old" supervisor of your Master (Bachelor) thesis
  - If he/she cannot be your supervisor you may get a recommendation
- Propose and agree on a Study topic
  - by March 18, 2024 supervisors submit their Study topics

### Doctoral studies make sense!!



Wireless system for precise indoor localizaton and monitoring **Milan Šimek**, FEEC Alumny



Application Záchranka to call for emergency by tapping single button **Filip Maleňák**, FEEC Alumny

- JIC South Moravia Inovation Center
  - Support of people in their business that may change the world!



## Student vs. Student

### Time for your questions

#### Ing. Radek Theumer

- 2nd year PhD full time student
- Dept. of Radio Electronics (UREL)
- Study topic: Synthesis of fractional-order transfer structures

#### Possible questions

- Own motivation?
- Pros and cons identified so far?
- Common day at university?

# The next step is only up to you

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