Financial Independence of a Student in the 2026/2027 Academic Year

A student who does not run a joint household with either parent, legal guardian or de facto guardian may apply for a social scholarship without declaring the income earned by the parents, legal guardians or de facto guardians, provided that the student meets one of the following conditions:

1) has reached the age of 26;
2) is married;
3) has dependent children referred to in Article 88(1) of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science;
4) reached the age of majority while being placed in foster care;
5) has a permanent source of income and whose average monthly income in the previous tax year and in the current year in the months preceding the month of submission of the declaration referred to in paragraph 3 is higher than or equal to 40% of the minimum wage for work established as of 1 January of the year preceding the academic year for which the social scholarship is awarded, pursuant to the Act of 10 October 2002 on the Minimum Wage.

As of 1 October 2026, this amount is **PLN 1,866.40**.
The student shall be obliged to submit a declaration stating that they do not run a joint household with either parent, legal guardian or de facto guardian.

Legal basis: Article 88(2) and (3) of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2024, item 1571, as amended) and § 26(2) of the Regulations on Benefits for Students of the Rzeszów University of Technology adopted by Order No. 36/2019 of the Rector of the Rzeszów University of Technology of 17 July 2019 on the introduction at the Rzeszów University of Technology of the Regulations on Benefits for Students of the Rzeszów University of Technology, as amended.