

Regulations on Academic Titles of the International Academy of Natural Sciences

1. General Provisions

- 1.1. The International Academy of Natural Sciences (IANS) awards academic titles in order to recognize and encourage significant achievements of scientists, teachers and specialists in various fields of science, education and professional practice. This contributes to strengthening the status of research and teaching professionals and stimulates the development of scientific research and innovation.
- 1.2. The International Academy of Natural Sciences is an international association of scientists, teachers and specialists that carries out its activities in accordance with applicable law, internal regulatory documents and these Regulations.
- 1.3. The awarding of academic titles by the Academy is based on the principles of objectivity, transparency, equality and fairness. Candidates are considered on the basis of submitted documents characterizing their research, teaching and professional activities.
- 1.4. The awarding of an academic title by the International Academy of Natural Sciences is recognition of a specialist's contribution to science, education or professional practice. Academic titles increase the authority and professional status of applicants, promote their professional growth and expand cooperation in their fields of activity.
- 1.5. The awarding of academic titles by the Academy is governed by these Regulations and by the internal regulatory acts of the Academy, developed in accordance with international standards and requirements for the assessment of research and teaching personnel.
- 1.6. Academic titles are awarded on the basis of strict qualification requirements, including the relevant education, academic degrees and titles, professional experience, scientific achievements, teaching work and innovation activities.
- 1.7. Academic titles are awarded according to established procedures and within the prescribed time limits. Applications for academic titles are considered in the established manner, including examination of documents, a meeting of the Presidium of the Academy and secret voting.
- 1.8. The Academy awards titles not only to national but also to foreign scientists, recognizing their contribution to the development of world science. Awarding titles to foreign scientists contributes to strengthening international ties and exchanging knowledge and experience within the global scientific and educational community.
- 1.9. The Academy maintains an official register of persons who have been awarded academic titles. The register is open and published on the official website of the Academy, which ensures transparency and accessibility of information about awarded titles.
- 1.10. Persons who have been awarded academic titles of the Academy receive the right to use the corresponding title in their professional activities. They also undertake to comply with the ethical standards and rules established by the Academy and to participate actively in its activities.

2. Categories of Academic Titles and Requirements for Candidates

The International Academy of Natural Sciences awards several categories of academic titles. Separate requirements apply to each category. These titles reflect the level of scientific achievements, teaching activity and contribution to the development of science.

2.1 IANS Advisor

A title awarded to specialists with higher education and significant experience in scientific, educational or research activities who actively cooperate with the Academy.

Basic requirements:

- Higher education and more than 5 years of teaching or research experience.
- For specialists from other fields, at least 5 years of professional experience.
- Active cooperation with the Academy.
- Contribution to educational or research activities, participation in the development of methodological materials, delivery of lectures and seminars, and participation in educational projects.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Questionnaire;
- Statement of professional activity;
- Copies of education documents;
- List of main publications, patents and implemented developments;
- Additional documents may be requested.

2.2 Researcher of IANS (IANS Researcher)

A title awarded to specialists conducting independent research, research-and-teaching, expert or applied research activities, having confirmed results of professional work and being interested in professional cooperation with the Academy. In English-language documents, the title may be indicated as “Researcher” or “IANS Researcher”.

Basic requirements:

- Higher education; for foreign applicants, an equivalent level of higher education.
- At least 5 years of research, research-and-teaching, expert or applied professional experience.
- Confirmed results of research or expert activity, including scientific publications, conference presentations, teaching and methodological materials, patents, implemented developments, reports on scientific or applied projects, or other documented professional results.
- Participation in scientific, educational, expert or international projects related to the applicant’s professional field.
- For applicants holding the degree of Candidate of Science, PhD or an equivalent degree, the academic degree may be taken into account as additional confirmation of research qualification; however, an academic degree is not a mandatory requirement for awarding the title of Researcher of IANS.
- The awarding of the title of Researcher of IANS does not create any employment, service or civil-law relationship between the title holder and the Academy and does not constitute appointment to a position.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Questionnaire;
- Statement of research, teaching, expert or professional activity;
- Copies of documents confirming education, academic degree and academic title, if any;
- List of main scientific works, teaching and methodological materials, patents, implemented developments, presentations or other results of professional activity;
- Documents confirming participation in scientific, educational, expert or international projects, if any;
- Additional documents may be requested.

2.3 Professor of IANS

The title is awarded to scientists and teachers who have confirmed a high professional level, as well as to leaders of scientific and teaching teams for their contribution to science and education.

Basic requirements:

- Candidate of Science degree and at least 5 years of research-and-teaching or research experience.
- For leaders of scientific and teaching teams without an academic degree, at least 10 years of leadership experience.
- For foreign scientists, a PhD degree and at least 5 years of teaching or research experience.
- Creation of scientific and practical developments implemented in the educational process or in professional practice.
- Development and implementation of original educational programs, participation in innovation processes and introduction of new technologies.
- Publication of scientific works and textbooks, and participation in scientific conferences.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Questionnaire;
- Statement of research and teaching activities;
- Copies of documents confirming education, academic title and degree;
- List of main scientific works, patents and implemented developments;
- Additional documents may be requested.

2.4 Corresponding Member of IANS

The title is awarded to scientists who have made a significant contribution to the development of science and have proved their qualification in the chosen field.

Basic requirements:

- Doctor of Science degree or an equivalent degree (PhD for foreign scientists).
- Significant contribution to the development of science confirmed by publications in scientific journals, participation in international conferences and receipt of research grants.
- At least 15 years of research-and-teaching or research experience.
- Participation in scientific projects and experience in supervising research.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Questionnaire;
- Statement of research and teaching activities;
- Copies of documents confirming education, academic title and degree;
- List of main scientific works, patents and implemented developments;
- Additional documents may be requested.

2.5 Full Member of the Academy - Academician of IANS

A title awarded for significant achievements in science. It recognizes the high qualification and merits of a scientist in his or her professional field.

Basic requirements:

- Doctor of Science degree and the academic title of Professor.
- Prior election as a Corresponding Member of the Academy, not earlier than one year before submitting documents for consideration.
- A significant number of publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, monographs and patents.
- Participation in major scientific projects, supervision of scientific research and creation of scientific schools.

- Active participation in scientific cooperation, presentations at conferences and participation in editorial boards of scientific journals.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Statement of research and teaching activities;
- List of main scientific publications and monographs;
- Copies of patents, implemented developments and certificates confirming participation in scientific projects;
- Additional documents may be requested.

2.6 Foreign Full Member of the Academy - Academician of IANS

A title awarded for significant achievements in science. It recognizes the high qualification and merits of a scientist in his or her professional field.

Basic requirements:

- PhD degree.
- Prior election as a Corresponding Member of the Academy, not earlier than one year before submitting documents for consideration.
- A significant number of publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, monographs and patents.
- Participation in major scientific projects, supervision of scientific research and creation of scientific schools.
- Active participation in scientific cooperation, presentations at conferences and participation in editorial boards of scientific journals.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Statement of research and teaching activities;
- List of main scientific publications and monographs;
- Copies of patents, implemented developments and certificates confirming participation in scientific projects;
- Additional documents may be requested.

2.7 Honorary Member of the Academy

The title is awarded to national and foreign specialists for special services to the Academy and significant contribution to the development of science and education.

Basic requirements:

- Significant contribution to the development of science and education at the national and/or international level.
- Special services to the Academy, such as active participation in its activities, support for scientific and educational projects, and organization and conduct of scientific events.
- Positive recommendation from members of the Academy or other authoritative scientific and educational institutions.

Documents for consideration:

- Application;
- Questionnaire;
- Statement of research and teaching activities;
- Copies of documents confirming education, academic title and degree;
- Recommendations from two members of the Academy;
- List of main scientific works, patents and implemented developments;
- Additional documents may be requested.

3. Procedures and Time Limits for Considering Applications for Academic Titles

3.1 Stages of application consideration

3.1.1. Submission of documents:

- Candidates wishing to receive an academic title of the Academy must submit a complete set of documents according to the established list.
- Documents are submitted electronically to the e-mail address specified in the announcement on the acceptance of applications, or through the official website of the Academy.
- All documents must be submitted within the time limits announced by the Academy each year.

3.1.2. Initial examination:

- After receiving the documents, the Secretariat of the Academy conducts an initial examination for completeness and correctness of the submitted materials.
- If the documents are incomplete or do not meet the established requirements, the candidate may be sent a request to provide additional information or correct the set of documents. The time limit for fulfilling such a request shall not exceed 10 business days.

3.1.3. Transfer of documents for expert review:

- After successful completion of the initial examination, the documents are transferred for consideration to the relevant section of the Academy corresponding to the candidate's field of scientific activity.
- Sections of the Academy are formed according to the main scientific areas, which makes it possible to objectively assess the candidate's achievements in his or her professional field.

3.1.4. Expert review by the relevant section:

- The relevant section conducts a detailed expert review of the candidate's scientific and teaching activities, assessing achievements, publication activity, implementation of developments and participation in scientific projects.
- At this stage, the section may involve external experts to assess the candidate's scientific contribution.

3.1.5. Preparation of the conclusion:

- Based on the results of the expert review, the relevant section prepares a conclusion containing recommendations on awarding or refusing to award the academic title.
- The conclusion of the section is submitted to the Presidium of the Academy for further consideration.

3.1.6. Consideration by the Presidium of the Academy:

- The Presidium of the Academy considers the submitted conclusions of the sections at its meeting.
- The awarding of an academic title is carried out by secret voting of the members of the Presidium.
- A simple majority of votes is required to award the title.
- The decision of the Presidium is recorded in the minutes of the meeting and signed by the President.

3.2 Time limits for considering applications

- Overall time limit: the full cycle of considering an application, from the date of submission of documents to the decision of the Presidium, shall not exceed 30 business days.
- The initial examination is conducted within 10 business days from the date of receipt of documents.
- Expert review by the relevant section is conducted within 10 business days.
- A meeting of the Presidium for considering applications is held at least once a month.

3.3 Notification of candidates of the decision

- After the Presidium adopts a decision, the Secretariat of the Academy notifies candidates of the results of consideration within 10 business days.
- In the case of a positive decision, the candidate is sent an official notification of the awarding of the academic title and information on the procedure for receiving the diploma.
- In the case of refusal to award the title, the candidate receives an official notification.

3.4 Appeal

- The candidate has the right to file an appeal in case of disagreement with the decision of the Presidium.
- The appeal is submitted in writing to the Secretariat of the Academy within 30 calendar days from the date of sending the notice of refusal.
- The appeal is considered at the next meeting of the Presidium. The decision on the appeal is final and not subject to further appeal within the Academy.

4. List of Documents Required for Consideration

- Application of the applicant for an academic title (Appendix No. 1).
- Questionnaire (Appendix No. 2).
- Statement of research, teaching and professional activities (Appendix No. 3).
- The Academy has the right to request any other documents confirming the applicant's status and achievements.

5. Financing of the Application Consideration and Academic Title Awarding Procedure

5.1. Financing of procedures related to filing an application and considering documents for the award of an academic title is carried out at the expense of applicants.

5.2. Payment is made only after approval and adoption of a positive decision on awarding the title by the Presidium of the Academy.

5.3. The amount of payment is established by the Academy and approved by its internal regulatory acts.

5.4. The payment covers the full cycle of procedures, including administrative expenses for processing and checking documents, expert assessment of achievements, and organization of meetings of the relevant sections and the Presidium for decision-making. The payment also includes production and issuance of the diploma of the established form confirming the award of the title and organization of its presentation.

5.5. The applicant shall make payment within 10 business days from the date of receiving notification of the positive decision.

5.6. If payment is not received within the specified period, the Academy reserves the right to suspend the process of issuing the diploma until the applicant fulfills the financial obligations.

5.7. Refunds are not provided.

5.8. The Academy reserves the right to change the amount of payment for considering applications for academic titles depending on the scope of work required to consider each individual candidate.

5.9. Applicants are responsible for timely payment and fulfillment of financial obligations.

6. Grounds for Deprivation of an Academic Title

An academic title may be revoked in the following cases:

6.1. Submission of false information: if, after the title has been awarded, it is established that the applicant submitted false information about scientific achievements, falsified publications, forged education documents or forged academic degree documents.

6.2. Violation of scientific and academic ethics: in cases of plagiarism, falsification of research results, misappropriation of other persons' scientific ideas or other violations of scientific ethics. The results of an independent expert review or an official investigation in the scientific community serve as an important basis.

6.3. Discrediting of the Academy or the title: if the title holder by his or her actions causes damage to the reputation of the Academy or the title, for example by participating in fraudulent schemes, illegal scientific activity or pseudoscientific activity.

6.4. Initiative of the title holder: in cases where the title holder voluntarily submits an application to renounce the title for personal reasons.

The decision to revoke a title is made by the Presidium of the Academy on the basis of consideration of the submitted facts and evidence. Revocation of a title is recorded in the relevant minutes and communicated to the title holder in writing.

7. Contact Information

- All documents shall be sent to the following e-mail address: academy@rae.ru.

Appendix No. 1

**TO THE PRESIDUM
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES**

from: Full name

APPLICATION

I hereby request that the materials of my personal file be considered for the awarding of the academic title of _____ of IANS in the section

_____.

_____ (signature)

“ _____ ” _____ 202__

1. Physical and Mathematical Sciences; 2. Chemical Sciences; 3. Biological Sciences; 4. Geological and Mineralogical Sciences; 5. Technical Sciences; 6. Agricultural Sciences; 7. Geographical Sciences; 8. Pedagogical Sciences; 9. Medical Sciences; 10. Pharmaceutical Sciences; 11. Veterinary Sciences; 12. Psychological Sciences; 13. Economic Sciences; 14. Philosophical Sciences; 15. Culture and Art; 16. Legal Sciences; 17. Philological Sciences; 18. Historical Sciences; 19. Architecture; 20. Political Sciences.

Appendix No. 2
QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AWARDING AN IANS TITLE

Surname	
First name	
Patronymic / Middle name	
Day, month and year of birth	
Academic degree and year of award; code of the scientific specialty under which the degree was awarded	
Academic title and year of award	
Honorary titles and year of award	
Main place of employment	
Position	
Field of scientific interests	
Specific scientific specialization	
3-5 most significant publications (monographs, scientific articles, methodological documents, patents)	
Exact mailing address for correspondence and receipt of documents by registered mail, with postal code and recipient details	
Telephone, fax	
Mobile phone number for sending documents by post	
E-mail	

Appendix No. 3

STATEMENT OF RESEARCH, TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Applicant's full name: [Surname, First Name, Patronymic / Middle name]

Date of birth: [Day, month, year]

Place of employment: [Full name of institution or organization]

Position: [Applicant's position]

Education and qualifications:

- Higher education: [Name of higher education institution, specialty, year of graduation]
- Academic degree: [Candidate of Science, Doctor of Science, PhD or other, if any]
- Academic title: [Associate Professor, Professor or other, if any]
- Professional development and additional education:
- Professional internships and exchange programs: [For example, "Internship at Peking University, 2021"]

Total research-and-teaching experience: [Number of years]

Total research experience: [Number of years]

1. Research and teaching activities

- Teaching experience:
- Length of service in educational institutions: [Number of years]
- Disciplines taught: [List of disciplines]
- Supervision of student research:
- Course papers, diploma papers and master's theses: [Number of works, subject area]
- Supervision of postgraduate students: [Number of postgraduate students, defense results]
- Methodological work and innovations in education:
- Development of educational programs: [Specify number and subject area]
- Creation of teaching aids and educational materials: [Number]
- Implementation of innovative methods: [Description of implemented methods and technologies]
- Participation in educational projects: [Description of participation in projects and innovation programs]

2. Research activities

- Main areas of scientific research: [Description of the main areas]
- Publication activity:
- Total number of publications: [Number]
- Monographs: [Number and titles of the most significant monographs]
- Articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals: [Number, for example "20 articles in journals"]
- Participation in scientific projects and grants:
- Project name: [Name, role in the project, implementation period]
- Presentations at scientific conferences:
- List of major conferences: [For example, "International Symposium on Genetics, speaker, 2023"]
- Patents and implemented developments: [Specify number]

3. Scientific and organizational activities

- Organization and conduct of scientific events:
- Participation in the organization of conferences, seminars and symposia
- Moderation or chairing of scientific sessions.
- Participation in scientific and public organizations:
- Positions in organizations, committees and editorial boards.

4. International activities

- Participation in international projects and cooperation:
- Participation in international scientific projects and grants.

5. Scientific supervision and expert activity

- Supervision of projects and research:
- Management of scientific projects and laboratories.
- Expert and reviewer activities:
- Participation in the expert review of scientific works, projects and dissertations.

6. Personal achievements

- Awards and distinctions:
- List of awards and prizes: [For example, “Laureate of the Russian President’s Award for Young Scientists, 2020”].

7. Citation indices and scientific impact

- Scientific impact:
- Hirsch index (h-index), number of citations: [For example, “h-index: 15, total number of citations: 1200”].

