

# Report 2023. September – 2024 July

# UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED Doctoral School of Environmental Sciences

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Doctoral School	Doctoral School of Environmental Sciences
Sci	natural sciences, environmental sciences
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## Number of students admitted

Program	Scholarship holder	Self-funded student	Individual degree holder	SH students
Environmental Biology	4	0	0	1
Environmental Earth	0	0	0	
Science				
Environmental Chemistry	1	0	0	1
Environmental Physics	0	0	0	
Environmental Technology	1	0	0	5
Total	6	0	0	7

Note: Among the domestic students in the Day program, one student was passive in the second semester and 1 SH student did not enroll.

# Number of students who have obtained a PhD degree

Program	Scholarship holder	Self-funded student	Individual degree holder	SH students
Environmental Biology	1	0	0	1
Environmental Earth	0	0	0	0
Science				
Environmental Chemistry	3	0	0	0
Environmental Physics	0	0	0	0
Environmental Technology	1	0	0	0
Total	4	0	0	1

# PhD degree qualification

Total	Summa cum laude	Cum laude	Rite
5	5	0	0

## Complex exam

Total	SH	Succesful	Failed
3	3	3	0

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## Application, supports

	Supported
KDP	9
ÚNKP	6
Predoktori	3
Mobility	4

### Conference participation

	Number of PhD students completing the course				
	Total Domestic Conf Domestic Conf International InternationalCo				InternationalConf
	(poster) (oral pres.) Conf (poster) (oral pres.)				
2023/2024	109	2	11	48	28

#### Publications related to the Doctoral School

Q1	12
D1	4

#### List of new supervisors/topics

No new topics were announced in the given year, existing topics were updated.

#### List of new courses

No new courses were introduced, no courses were cancelled.

Lecturer(s) awarded the Excellent PhD Instructor Award:-

Lecturer(s) awarded the Excellent PhD Supervisor Award-

Annual evaluation of the doctoral school, report on the goals and achievements broken down by program (maximum 3000 characters)

In 2024, KTDIT voted two new core members, Zoltán Bátori and Zsuzsanna László. Zsolt Pénzes, head of the Ecology program and current core member, announced his intention to change jobs. Zoltán Bátori will take over the leadership of the Ecology program. It was also mentioned in the annual evaluation that due to the death of Andrea Farsang in December 2022, her colleagues within the DI took over the supervision of the PhD students entrusted to her in 2023. New topic announcements are expected within the DI in the fields of Food Safety and Agricultural Technology - the two research areas will be integrated into the Environmental Technology Program. Based on the experiences regarding the plagiarism screening of doctoral theses, the quality of the theses has improved, and the handling of the results of the plagiarism screening has been discussed by KTDIT. Since the introduction of plagiarism screening, comments have been made on its evaluation through several forums, which have also shaped

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the DI's approach to the topic. Due to the English-language publications, we found a greater similarity between the text of the doctoral thesis and the text of the publication, primarily in the case of papers written in English - in the last two years, our attitude in this regard has been that when describing experimental methods, we do not consider text passages identical to the published publication as plagiarism. However, when evaluating the results, we do not support the use of longer, connected texts taken from published publications - the reason for this is that the DI requires a coherent thesis related to the given research topic as a doctoral thesis in its training plan. The length of doctoral theses has been clarified in the Training Plan (the recommended length does not include the appendix or the bibliography), and we ask that the publications be classified or ranked (Q value) in addition to the impact factor. The evaluation and scoring system of the University Doctoral Excellence Scholarship were also reviewed.

**Head of Doctoral School** 

MIR representative of the doctoral school