

## **REGULATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN INITIATIVES WITHIN THE RESEARCH SECTION OF THE CHEMISTRY STUDENTS RESEARCH SOCIETY AT THE SILESIAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**

### **§ 1 General provisions**

1. The regulations define the rules for participation in the research section of the Chemistry Students Research Society (SKNCh) at the Silesian University of Technology.
2. The supervision of the documentation of research initiatives conducted within SKNCh is carried out by the supervisors of the Society and the coordinator or coordinators for the research section, separated from the structure of its Council.
3. Whenever these Regulations refer to:
  - a) Research initiative – a research topic undertaken by a SKNCh student(s) and implemented as a Research Work or SKN Project;
  - b) Research work – a research initiative conducted by a student(s) associated with SKNCh under the supervision of an employee of the Silesian University of Technology employed in a group of research, teaching or research-teaching employees; the research work **is not** covered by financing under the competition established by Order No. 54/2020 of the Rector of the Silesian University of Technology of 13 March 2020, as amended;
  - c) SKN project – a research initiative conducted by a student(s) associated with SKNCh under the supervision of an employee of the Silesian University of Technology employed in a group of research, teaching or research-teaching employees; projects **are** financed under the competition established by Order No. 54/2020 of the Rector of the Silesian University of Technology of 13 March 2020, as amended.
4. Information on the rules of participation in the SKNCh research section and the contact details of the research section coordinator and secretary of the Society are available at <https://portal.polsl.pl/sknch/en/> and on the corresponding social media.
5. Questions regarding these Regulations should be directed to: [SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl](mailto:SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl).

### **§ 2 Scope and aims of the research section**

1. Initiatives carried out within the research section of SKNCh are intended to provide students of the Silesian University of Technology with the opportunity to pursue their scientific and research careers beyond the curriculum, thanks to participation in research (in particular) in the field of chemical sciences and chemical engineering, using the infrastructure

and under the supervision of experienced employees of the Silesian University of Technology, in particular the Faculty of Chemistry.

2. The aim of participating in the research section is to enable students to expand their competencies with the following skills:

- a) teamwork;
- b) specialized knowledge of research techniques not covered in the course of the study program or covered only at a basic level;
- e) arranging research plans;
- d) processing and critical analysis of the obtained results;
- e) presentation of results at seminars, meetings, conferences, *etc.*;
- f) raising funds for research.

### § 3 Joining the research section and registering research initiatives

1. To join the research section, a student must be an active member of the Chemistry Students Research Society at the Silesian University of Technology.

2. One can declare their participation in the research section when joining SKNCh by selecting the appropriate field in the application form available on the Society's website or at a later date by contacting the SKNCh secretary.

3. Each student in the research section is obliged to actively participate in SKNCh research initiatives, *i.e.* in the **Research work** or **SKN project**.

4. For new members of the Society and those who have completed previous research initiatives, it is necessary to either begin a new topic in the current semester or resign from the research section. In the event of a resignation, the research section coordinator and the SKNCh secretary must be informed.

5. The condition for starting a research initiative is to submit the **Research Participant Card** (*Appendix 1* to these regulations) or the **SKN Project Participant Card** (*Appendix 2* to these regulations) to the SKNCh Supervisor or the research section coordinator, designated from the structure of the Society's Council.

6. In case of applying for funding for the **SKN Project**, the **SKN Project Participant Card** (*Appendix 2*) must be submitted before filing the application to the Student Service Centre addressed to the representative for the Student Scientific Movement.

6. At any given time, a member of the SKNCh research section may participate in one research initiative. In justified cases, participation in a maximum of two research initiatives is allowed,

provided that written consent is obtained from the supervisors of both initiatives in which the student plans to participate on both **Participant Cards**.

7. It is **not possible** to change the topic of a research initiative during the semester.
8. The topic of the research initiative conducted by the student cannot be the same as the topic of his/her diploma thesis (engineering project, master's thesis), however it is possible to conduct activities related to this topic.
9. At the end of the semester, a participant in the research section is obliged to submit a report on his/her activities within the framework of the conducted initiative together with the supervisor's authorization, under pain of removal from the section, about which the supervisor of the research initiative in which the student was enrolled will be informed.

### § 3 Reports

1. A report on the research initiative conducted within the research section of SKNCh should be submitted *via* the form prepared in the Distance Education Platform (Platforma Zdalnej Edukacji) of the Silesian University of Technology as part of the course „Studenckie Koło Naukowego Chemików”.
2. Additionally, after completing the form, it should be printed (one should use CTRL+P after confirming the form), submitted to the research initiative supervisor for signature, and then the signed document must be submitted to the research section coordinator by the designated deadline.
3. After approval/rejection of the report, the research section participant and the supervisor of his/her initiative will be informed about this fact by email.

### § 4 Other duties of a participant in the SKNCh research section

1. The research section participant is obliged to keep the research section informed about their scientific achievements at [SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl](mailto:SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl), adding the initiative supervisor to the message recipients (CC). In particular, information should be provided about:
  - a) authorship or co-authorship in scientific publications;
  - b) authorship or co-authorship in national and international patents;
  - c) trips to conferences, fairs, congresses, *etc.*;
  - d) internships at centers in the country and abroad;
  - e) prizes, distinctions or scholarships awarded;
  - f) participation in training sessions/workshops.

2. In the case of publishing the results of research initiatives in scientific journals or preparing posters/presentations for scientific conferences it is mandatory to:

a) affiliate with the Chemistry Students Research Society at the Silesian University of Technology (double affiliation is allowed, together with the center where the research was conducted).

Sample entry in English:

*„Chemistry Students Research Society, Faculty of Chemistry, Silesian University of Technology, ks. M. Strzody Street 9, 44-100 Gliwice, Poland”*

Sample entry in Polish:

*“Studenckie Koło Naukowe Chemików, Wydział Chemiczny, Politechnika Śląska, ul. ks. M. Strzody 9, 44-100 Gliwice”*

b) include information about the research work/project number and its implementation time in the acknowledgments.

4. After completing the **SKN project** (or at the request of the Initiative Supervisor or SKNCh Supervisor – after completing its stage), students involved in its implementation are obliged to send a summary in the form of a science-communication poster in A3 format (vertical orientation) at [SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl](mailto:SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl); poster includes:

a) title identical to the title of the completed project;

b) names and surnames of all students participating in the project in the following order: Team Leader, other students, Auxiliary Supervisor, Main Supervisor;

c) SKNCh logo and its affiliation for students participating in the project (available at the link: [https://portal.polsl.pl/sknch/afiliacja\\_sknch/](https://portal.polsl.pl/sknch/afiliacja_sknch/));

d) information about: the aim of the project, the results obtained, conclusions, trips to scientific conferences (photos are recommended), etc., and **the funding number for the given SKN project**.

The poster will be made available through SKNCh information channels and in display cases located on the ground floor of the Faculty of Chemistry "Czerwona Chemistry" building at ul. Ks. M. Strzody 9 in Gliwice.

It is also possible to prepare and make available a poster for partially or fully completed **Research works**.

5. Any information about the progress of work should always be sent at [SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl](mailto:SKN.Chemikow@polsl.pl), leaving the supervisor of the research initiative to the recipients of the message (CC).

#### § 5 ECTS points earned through research initiatives

1. To obtain permission to be granted ECTS points as part of a research initiative in a given semester, one must first register the research initiative in the research section of SKNCh.
2. ECTS points may be awarded to a student only after written confirmation of active participation in the research initiative by their Supervisor and other students participating in it.
3. In the event of failure completing the formalities related to conducting a research initiative, ECTS points will not be awarded and they will have to be obtained in the traditional way in accordance with the rules adopted by the course coordinator and according to the study plan.