

Regulations

Frank Wilczek Prize

Frank Wilczek Prize was established to recognize those outstanding young researchers who have made a significant contribution to physics, astronomy or closely related areas. The Prize will be awarded by Prof. Frank Wilczek and the Dean of the Faculty of Physics, Astronomy and Applied Computer Science of the Jagiellonian University.

Eligibility criteria for the Frank Wilczek Prize

1. To be nominated for the Frank Wilczek Prize, the candidates must meet the following criteria:
 - I. they have made an outstanding contribution to physics, astronomy or closely related fields; they are nominated for a specific outstanding achievement;
 - II. the proposed research has been performed by the Nominee individually or in collaboration; in the case of collaboration, the Nominee's contribution must be well-defined, substantial and indispensable to the project which shall be verified by the Prize Committee;
 - III. should the Nominee hold a PhD degree, they can only be nominated for the Prize within 7 years of the date of conferring the degree (date of submitting the nomination shall be decisive).
 - IV. The Nominee must hold Polish citizenship and be a resident of Poland.
2. The nomination shall be considered if the scan of the complete and signed nomination form constituting an annex hereto, together with all required annexes, is sent to the e-mail address in the announcement by the end of February in the year in which the Prize is awarded. Nominations which do not meet the above criteria shall not be further verified and the candidates be precluded from the possibility of receiving the Frank Wilczek Prize.
3. Only one natural person can be nominated for the Prize, in particular, a group of researchers or academic or research centres cannot be nominated for the Prize. The Prize is awarded individually.

Nomination

1. A nomination can be submitted by an expert holding a PhD or a higher degree in the field in which the Nominee has made their contribution considered for the Frank Wilczek Prize.
2. A nomination is submitted by sending the scan of a completed and signed nomination form constituting an annex hereto, together with documents referred to in points 4 and 5 below, to the address in the announcement.

3. The nomination form should include a description of a specific achievement (discovery) for which a candidate is nominated for the Frank Wilczek Prize, as well as justification and the list of the most important publications by the Nominee concerning the described achievement (no more than 5 publications).
4. Three recommendation letters supporting the nomination are required. The recommendation letter cannot be written by the person submitting the nomination. The recommendation letters must be written by experts in the field in which the contribution considered for the Prize was made.
5. Sending the Nominee's written consent to be considered for the Frank Wilczek Prize is required, as well as written consent to processing of personal data. The required forms constitute annexes hereto.
6. The deadline for submitting the nominations shall be the end of February in the year in which the Prize is awarded.

Selection criteria and process, as well as the choice of the Laureate

1. The Prize Committee, chaired by Prof. Frank Wilczek, consists of 7 members. Two members are indicated by Prof. Wilczek, one member is indicated by His Magnificence Rector of the Jagiellonian University, three members are indicated by the Dean of the Faculty of Physics, Astronomy and Applied Computer Science of the Jagiellonian University. Prof. Frank Wilczek shall be ex officio a member of the Prize Committee.
2. The Prize Committee select three of their members to form the Selection Committee.
3. The Selection Committee prepare a short list of nominations, rejecting those which do not meet the formal criteria specified herein (eligibility criteria and nomination). No appeal can be brought against the decisions of the Selection Committee.
4. After the initial verification of the submitted nominations, the Selection Committee present a short list of no more than 10 candidates for the Frank Wilczek Prize.
5. The Prize Committee select one Laureate from the candidates shortlisted by the Selection Committee. No appeal can be brought against the decisions of the Prize Committee concerning the selection of the Laureate.
6. When shortlisting the candidates and selecting the Laureate, the Prize Committee and the Selection Committee consider the criteria of the quality and originality of the Nominees' contributions, their significance for the field and their impact on the related fields.
7. The Prize Committee reserve the right to invite the Nominees to deliver to the Committee a lecture on the research and achievements considered for the Frank Wilczek Prize.
8. The Laureate selected by the Prize Committee shall be announced by His Magnificence Rector of the Jagiellonian University by June 10th, in the year in which the Prize is awarded.
9. We reserve the right to resign from the procedure of selecting the Laureate in the case the Selection Committee and the Prize Committee recognize that none of the submitted nominations meets the requirements set out in these regulations.

10. The Laureate and the person who nominated them shall be informed about the Prize in writing by His Magnificence Rector of the Jagiellonian University and by Prof. Frank Wilczek.

The Prize

1. Beginning in 2019, the Frank Wilczek Prize is awarded biennially.
2. The Prize is funded by the Faculty of Physics, Astronomy and Applied Computer Science of the Jagiellonian University and The Kościuszko Foundation.
3. The Prize shall be \$ 12,000 gross, provided each of the benefactors of the Prize has made the arranged contribution. The prize is subject to taxation pursuant to provisions in force at the time of its payment. The payment to a Laureate with no Polish tax residence shall be made after they submit to the Jagiellonian University their tax residence certificate.
4. The Laureate shall receive a certificate confirming that they have won the Frank Wilczek Prize.
5. The award ceremony is held at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, in September in the year in which the Frank Wilczek Prize is awarded. The Laureate shall participate in the ceremony in person.
6. At the end of the award ceremony, the Laureate of the Frank Wilczek Prize delivers a lecture on the topic related to the achievement for which they have been awarded the Prize.
7. Administrative and organizational support related to announcement, selection and awarding of the the Frank Wilczek Prize is provided by the Faculty of Physics, Astronomy and Applied Computer Science of the Jagiellonian University.

Annexes:

- 1) A template of the nomination letter
- 2) A template of a Nominee's consent
- 3) An information clause with consent to the processing of personal data