Candidates with the following qualifications are eligible for official registration as independent researchers for the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) scientific degree:

- Holders of bachelor's and master's diplomas (only in the legal field) or a higher education diploma (in a specific specialty);
- Those with published scientific articles, including at least one article published in a scientific journal, and a collection of scientific works in relevant scientific fields that may form the basis of the dissertation research for obtaining the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) scientific degree, with at least two theses.

## Candidates are eligible for official registration as independent researchers for the Doctor of Science (DSc) scientific degree if they:

 Hold a Candidate of Legal Sciences or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in legal sciences, or an equivalent foreign degree, and have achieved significant scientific achievements after obtaining the scientific degree according to the established procedure.

## Applicants for independent research must submit the following documents through the Academy's Unified Electronic System:

- Application;
- Short biography;
- A copy of a document confirming identity (passport or ID card);
- A copy of the bachelor's and master's or higher education diploma (in a specialty program) for official registration as an independent researcher for the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) scientific degree;
- A certified copy of the labor book;
- List of scientific works and copies of them;
- A copy of the Candidate of Legal Sciences or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) diploma in legal sciences or equivalent foreign degree for official registration as an independent researcher for the Doctor of Science (DSc) scientific degree;
- Recommendation Letter from the Workplace.