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UNIVERSITY CODE ON THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF STUDENTS OF THE “VICTOR BABEȘ” UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY OF TIMIȘOARA

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Art. 1

This code includes the rights and obligations of students enrolled in the “Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timișoara, hereinafter referred to as UMFVBT.

Art. 2

The University Senate adopts the University Code on the rights and obligations of students at the proposal of the students, in compliance with the provisions of the Law no. 1/2011 on national education, with subsequent amendments and completions, as well as Order of the Minister of Education, Research, Youth and Sports no. 3666/2012 regarding the approval of the Code on the rights and obligations of students.

Art. 3

- (1) The status of student, and doctoral student, respectively, is acquired by an admission to a bachelor, master, and doctoral study program, respectively, according to Art. 142 (7) and Art. 199 (2) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.
- (2) The rights and obligations of the doctoral student are provided in Government Decision no. 681/2011 regarding the approval of the Code of doctoral studies.
- (3) The study contract concluded between the student and the University following the admission to a university study program cannot be modified during the academic year.

Art. 4

- (1) Students may associate in student structures or organisations according to the provisions of Art. 203 (1) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.
- (2) Legally established student organisations have the right of access to university premises to organise projects for students or to carry out internal activities, outside of classes and other pre-established activities.
- (3) The right of access to the UMFVBT spaces, recognised to the legally established student organisations, is ensured based on a written application registered by the representatives of the student organisations with the General Secretariate of the University. The application will be resolved within a maximum of 30 working days from the date of registration.
- (4) Higher education institutions shall cooperate with and consult with legally established student organisations on issues concerning the development of higher education.

Art. 5

Student associations that are legally established and recognised within the UMFVBT will draft an annual report on the observance of the provisions of this Code. The report is made public before the beginning of each academic year on the UMFVBT website. In case of deficiencies, the University has the obligation to make public the ways to solve them.

Art. 6

- (1) The students are partners of the higher education institutions and members of the academic community, having rights and obligations based on the principles set out in Art. 118 of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.
- (2) The activity of the students within the academic community is regulated by the principles set out in Art. 202 (1) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.



Art. 7

(1) A Career Counselling and Guidance Centre operates within the University, which provides its services free of charge to all students of the University.

(2) The Career Counselling and Guidance Centre provides educational and professional guidance and counselling and educational path monitoring services for students from different socioeconomic backgrounds. These activities aim to ensure their academic, social and cultural integration in the community, and are carried out in collaboration with student organisations.

Art. 8

The State guarantees a fair education in terms of admission, course and completion of studies for all students in the national education system.

Art. 9

Candidates from socioeconomically disadvantaged or socially marginalised backgrounds, including high school graduates from rural or urban areas with less than 10,000 inhabitants, may benefit from a guaranteed number of budgeted places, in accordance with the law. Ensuring, for this category of students, free educational and professional guidance and counselling services, tutoring services, as well as educational path monitoring in order to ensure their academic, social and cultural integration in the community is, together with their quality, a criterion for the University's quality assessment.

Art. 10

UMFVBT grants at least 10 budgeted places, within the approved number of student places, to graduates with a high school (baccalaureate) diploma coming from the social protection system. If the places are not filled, universities redistribute them to the other candidates, according to Art. 205 (5) of the LNE.

Art. 11

A person can receive funding from the budget for a single bachelor's degree program and for a single master's degree program.

Art. 12

Political propaganda, as well as any form of individual or group discrimination, is prohibited in higher education institutions.

Art. 13

The rights of students with physical disabilities in carrying out academic and social and cultural activities are provided in Art. 118 (3) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

Art. 14

(1) Students benefit from the following rights based on the principles set out in Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions:



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- a) the right to quality education;
 - b) the right to access internal and external mobility programs, with the recognition of the credits obtained, according to the law;
 - c) the right to transfer from one university to another, according to legislation in force and university charters;
 - d) the right to protection of private data;
 - e) the right to receive a free course support (at least 5 pages), on physical or electronic format, and the ability to freely access all the educational materials available in university libraries or the faculty website;
 - f) the right to be informed, within the first two weeks of the semester, regarding the syllabus, course structure and objectives, the general competencies, as well as the evaluation and examination methods. Any further modification of the evaluation and examination methods can be made only with the students' agreement.
 - g) the right to receive a “Student Guide” at the beginning of each academic year, with information on: the rights and obligations of students, the subjects in the curriculum, the services provided by the university, the evaluation methods, the amount of fees, the material resources of the university and the faculty, information about the legally established student associations, how to access scholarships and other means of financing, mobilities, as well as other facilities and subsidies granted;
 - h) the right to have a year/section/group supervisor, depending on the size of these structures, from among the teaching staff of their faculty;
 - i) the right to participate in the evaluation of courses, seminars, practical activities, teaching staff performance, and other educational and/or organisational aspects related to the study program followed, according to the provisions of Art. 303 (2) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions. Evaluations are public information, and are used in evaluating the performance of those courses, seminars, internships, study programs, and teaching staff.
 - j) the right to access regulations, decisions, minutes and other documents of the institution where they study, under the conditions of the legislation in force;
 - k) copyrights and intellectual property rights for the results obtained through research-development, artistic creation and innovation activities, according to the legislation in force and the University Charter and the potential contracts between the parties;
 - l) the right to freely receive academic, professional, psychological and social information and counselling services, related to the educational activity, provided by the higher education institution, according to the University Charter;
 - m) the right to participate in internships, in accordance with the objectives of the University's study program, as well as the right to the material resources, transport and meals provided under the law;
 - n) the right of recognition of individually performed internships, after the evaluation of the degree of fulfilment of the internship objectives, in accordance with the study program;
 - o) the right to interrupt and resume studies, according to the University Charter and the legislation



in force;

- p) the right to study in one's native tongue or in an international language, if this possibility exists in the higher education institution, within the limits of the places allocated for this type of study program;
- q) the right to refuse to participate in educational activities for more than 8 hours a day, representing courses, laboratories and seminars, except in cases of practical training;
- r) the right to an objective and non-discriminatory evaluation of the competencies acquired after completing a course, in compliance with the syllabus, and the right to know the scale used for evaluation;
- s) the right to be examined by an alternative method when suffering from a temporary or permanent disability, medically certified, which makes it impossible to present the knowledge learned in the manner established by the course tenured teaching staff, without limiting the achievement of examination standards;
- t) the right to appeal the grades obtained at written examinations, according to the internal regulations of the University. The appeal will be settled by a committee that does not include the initial evaluator, in the presence of the contesting student, if the student requests it;
- u) the right to obtain, upon request, a copy of the bachelor's/master's thesis registered by the University, and to receive information about the score awarded;
- v) the right to benefit from a student-centred educational process for personal development, integration into society and the development of employment ability, job retention and mobility on the labour market;
- w) the right to benefit from flexible learning paths, according to Art. 123 (7) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions. In this sense, a minimum number of optional core and/or optional courses from all the courses offered by the University will be ensured within the study program.

(2) The University will publish the results of the evaluation of teaching staff by students on its website, in a readable format, under the conditions of the legislation in force. The results will contain the consolidation of all evaluations for each teacher.

(3) The way of identifying, organising and evaluating the specialised internship is a mandatory criterion for evaluating the quality of study programs.

Art. 15

(1) Students are represented in the consultative, decisional and executive structures within the University, according to the provisions of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions, and the University Charter.

(2) Students participate in the decisions of the UMFVBT, based on the following rights:

- a) the right to elect and to be elected in the UMFVBT management structures, according to Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;
- b) the right to be represented in the University Senate and in the Faculty Council in a proportion of at least 25%, according to Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions, and the University Charter;
- c) the right to be represented in the UMFVBT structures that manage social services, including accommodation, allocation of scholarships, allocation of thematic camps committees;



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d) the right to participate in the procedures regarding the establishment of the method of appointing the Rector through representatives, as well as in the process of appointing him/her, regardless of the method of appointment, according to Art. 209 (2) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;

e) the right to be informed and consulted by the students' representatives in connection with the decisions voted in the management structures of the institution of which they are part.

(3) UMFVBT cannot condition the status of representative student by academic performances, attendance at courses, seminars and laboratories. Teaching staff may not be involved in the procedures for electing representative students, regardless of the level of representation. Interventions are sanctioned according to the provisions of Art. 312 of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

(4) A student may not have the status of representative student in the decision-making structures (Council, Senate and Board of Directors) of the University for more than 4 years, regardless of the period of the terms of office and their interruptions.

(5) Student representatives in Faculty Councils and the University Senate are elected by the direct, secret and universal vote of all students in the faculty, or university, respectively. Legally established student organisations in the faculty/university may delegate legal representatives in these structures. The number of representatives delegated by student organisations in these structures is established based on university autonomy.

(6) The process of appointing students who are members in any consultative, deliberative and executive structures other than those provided by Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions, is made based on university autonomy and is established by students.

(7) National legally established student federations will appoint representatives in the advisory councils of the Ministry of Education and Research (MER) according to Art. 217 (1) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

Art. 16

(1) Students receive gratuities for:

a) bachelor's degree, master's degree and doctoral studies, within the available budgeted places and according to the regulations of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions, in the case of Romanian citizens, citizens of the Member States of the European Union, of the states belonging to the European Economic Area and of the Swiss Confederation, according to Art. 142 (4), Romanian ethnics from all over the world according to Art. 205 (4), as well as in the cases provided in Art. 205 (5) and (6) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;

b) issuing study documents and documents certifying the status of student (including academic record/transcript, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree diploma, diploma supplements, certificates, report cards and IDs, including library access IDs);

c) access to museums, concerts, theatre performances, opera, film, other cultural and sports events organised in Romania in the case of Romanian ethnics coming from outside the country's borders, according to the provisions of Art. 205 (4) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;

d) internal railway transport for all categories of trains, 2nd class, according to Art. 205 para. (2[^]1) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

(2) In case of issuing duplicates for study documents, UMFVBT will charge fees established under the university autonomy, according to the *Regulation on the amount of tuition fees and other fees within*



the “Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timișoara.

(3) Students will benefit from the following reductions in fees/gratuities:

- a) at least 50% for local public transport means, internal road, railway and naval transport. Students orphaned or coming from orphanages will benefit from gratuities for these transport categories, according to Art. 205 (2) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;
- b) 75% for access to museums, concerts, theatre performances, opera, film, other cultural and sporting events organised by public institutions, according to Art. 205 (3) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

(4) Students are encouraged to participate in volunteering activities, for which they can receive a number of credits according to Art. 203 (9) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

Art. 17

Students have the following social rights:

- a) free medical care according to the provisions of Art. 205 (1) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;
- b) accommodation, unless they are studying in their locality of residence, in accordance with the law and in accordance with the *Residence Hall Regulation on the organisation and functioning of student accommodation at the “Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timișoara*;
- c) subsidies for accommodation according to Art. 205 (15) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions;
- d) access to university premises to organise projects for students or to carry out internal activities, outside of classes and other pre-established activities, in accordance with the provisions of the University Charter;
- e) the right to notify abuses and irregularities, and to request the verification and evaluation of these notifications by specialised bodies provided by the legislation in force, as well as the right to the protection of those who notify, according to Law no. 571/2004 on the protection of staff from public authorities, public institutions and other units that report violations of the law;
- f) the right to have all written applications signed and signed or sent to the official e-mail addresses of the University, and to receive a written response, or by electronic means, respectively, to these applications, under the conditions established by law and University regulations;
- g) the right to a registration period of at least 5 working days from the posting of the announcement for the competitions organised in the University, including those for scholarships, camps, accommodation and mobility.

Art. 18

(1) Students have the right to know the mechanisms by which tuition fees are established, as well as other fees charged by the University, in accordance with the University Charter and the *Regulation on the amount of tuition fees and other fees*.

(2) Students have the right to be informed about the number, type and amount of each fee charged by the University.



Art. 19

(1) Students may benefit from the following types of scholarships:

- a) scholarships for stimulating performance, which are distributed according to the *Regulations for awarding scholarships in the “Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timișoara*, and which can be scholarships of merit, study and excellence.
- b) social scholarships, for the financial support of low-income students; the minimum amount of such scholarships is proposed annually by the National Council for the Financing in Higher Education, referring to the real costs for meals and accommodation. Social scholarships can be combined with other types of scholarships.
- c) scholarships from budgetary allocations or extra-budgetary own revenues of the University, as well as other types of special scholarships, according to the criteria established by the legislation in force, the amount of which must cover at least the costs for meals and accommodation.
- d) scholarships based on a contract concluded with economic operators or with other legal or natural persons of the type provided in Art. 205 (10) of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

(2) Students may benefit from loans through the Student Loans and Scholarships Agency, in accordance with Art. 204 of Law no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments and completions.

Art. 20

(1) Students from disadvantaged backgrounds or those who have outstanding results in their vocational, cultural or sporting education and training will benefit from places in thematic camps within the limits of the budget allocated for this purpose.

(2) Within these camps, professional training sessions may be organised in a non-formal context for which students can receive a number of ECTS credits, according to the University Charter.

(3) The thematic camps may be organised by MER through its bodies, during the holidays, in consultation with the national legally established student federations.

Art. 21

Students have the following obligations:

- a) to fulfil all the tasks assigned to them according to the curriculum and syllabi of the subjects;
- b) to observe the University Charter, the Regulations and the decisions of the University;
- c) to participate in the meetings of the management structures within UMFVBT, as elected representatives of the students;
- d) to observe the quality standards imposed by the University;
- e) to observe the copyrights of other persons and to recognise the authorship of the information presented in their works;
- f) to comply with the provisions of the *“Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timișoara Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct*;
- g) to draft and defend evaluation theses for their subjects and original graduation theses;
- h) to notify to the competent authorities any irregularities in the educational process and in the activities related to it;



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- i) to be arrive on time at didactic activities provided in the schedule, as access to the classroom/practical activities/internships/seminars is not allowed 15 minutes after the beginning of the class;
- j) to participate in academic activities without being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or other prohibited substances;
- k) to use language and behaviour appropriate to the academic environment;
- l) to use properly, according to the established destination, all the facilities and subsidies received;
- m) to observe cleanliness, calm and order in the University's premises;
- n) to maintain the integrity and proper functioning of the material resources made available to them by the UMFVBT;
- o) to pay any damages caused to the material resources made available to them by the UMFVBT;
- p) to inform the competent authorities about the existence of any situation that could influence the proper conduct of individual and general study activities;
- q) to respect and address appropriately, as well as to have an appropriate behaviour in the entire academic community towards: teaching staff, auxiliary teaching staff, non-teaching medical staff, patients, students;
- r) to have a decent attire in the academic environment, including at examinations;
- s) to fulfil their financial commitments imposed by the UMFVBT, under the conditions established in the study contract and in the Regulations of the University;
- t) not to use electronic equipment/multimedia devices (of any type) during the teaching process, without the approval of the teacher;
- u) not to use electronic equipment/multimedia devices (of any type) or any method of evaluation/examination fraud;
- v) not to disturb the teaching process; otherwise, the student will be invited to leave the classroom and penalised for absence;
- w) to have decent interventions during the class, related to the information received/requested and to avoid contradictory discussions personal in nature.

Art. 22

This regulation applies to students enrolled at UMFVBT, and is valid for bachelor's degree cycles in all forms of university education, and was approved in the Senate meeting of 29.07.2020, the date on which it enters into force.

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