

SEIMAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

RESOLUTION ON THE CHANGE OF THE NAME OF LITHUANIAN ACADEMY OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND THE APPROVAL OF THE STATUTE OF LITHUANIAN SPORTS UNIVERSITY

17 October 2012 No XI-2309 Vilnius

The Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, having considered the Resolution No 9 of 22 June 2012 of the Senate of Lithuanian Academy of Physical Education, sets forth the following:

Article 1

Change the name of Lithuanian Academy of Physical Education to the name of Lithuanian Sports University.

Article 2

Approve the Statute of Lithuanian Sports University (Annex 1).

Article 3

Approve the list of land sites and buildings owned by Lithuanian Sports University (Annex

Article 4

2).

Declare invalid Resolution No XI-1148 of 18 November 2010 of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania "On the Approval of the Statute of Lithuanian Academy of Physical Education" (Official Gazette, 2010, No 139-7117).

Annex 1 of the Resolution No XI-2309 of 17 October 2012 of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

STATUTE OF LITHUANIAN SPORTS UNIVERSITY

CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Lithuanian Sports University (hereinafter the University) shall be a state institution of higher education of the Republic of Lithuania. The address of its head office shall be Sporto Str. 6, LT-44221 Kaunas.
- 2. The University shall be a legal entity functioning as a public body; it shall have a seal with the National Emblem and the name of the University on it and the settlement account in the bank.
- 3. The University shall have its own flag, emblem and other attributes, the procedures for using which shall be determined by the Senate of the University (hereinafter the Senate).
- 4. The founder of the University shall be the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter the Seimas).
- 5. The University shall enjoy autonomy that comprises academic, administrative, economic and financial activities, and shall be based on the principle of self-governance, academic freedom and respect for human rights; it shall be defined in the Constitution of the Republic of Lithuania, the Law on Higher Education and Research of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter the Law on Higher Education and Research), and the present Statute.
- 6. The autonomy of the University shall be coordinated with the accountability to the public, the founder and the institution, which implements the rights and duties of the owner in compliance with the law and other legally set orders.
- 7. The University shall be a Lithuanian development center for scientific ideas in the areas of sport, physical education, health, rehabilitation, recreation and tourism, adapted physical activity; it shall be an integral part of the European and global academic community. The mission of the University shall be to be an open European university, constantly creating and providing programmes grounded on the latest research and technologies for all cycles of studies, continuing education and the sustainable development of the country in the areas of sport, physical education, rehabilitation, health promotion and recreation, thus contributing to the quality of life, social exclusion reduction and cultural development at regional, national and international levels.
 - 8. Values of the University:
- 1) respect for the exclusive knowledge, ensuring the unity of science and education as well as the development of the ongoing progress;
 - 2) thorough promotion of new ideas, initiatives, innovations, professionalism and leadership;
- accessibility and quality assurance of academic services for Lithuanian and foreign schoolchildren and students, the community of employees and seniors as well as business and public sector institutions;
 - 4) promotion of active dialogue with national and foreign partners;
 - 5) teamwork based on mutual respect, tolerance, competence and trust;

- 6) promotion, development and testimony of respect for healthy lifestyle and Olympic ideas;
- 7) promotion of citizenship and patriotism while distancing itself from any political ideology.
- 9. The University shall recognize the Great Charters of Universities, regulations of the European Higher Education Area and other advanced regulations of international scientific and academic community.
- 10. Studies at the University shall be conducted in all cycles of studies, according to the needs of the state and labor market, and the needs of a person's continuous development and aspirations to gain the necessary qualifications in accordance with generally accepted standards.
- 11. The University shall inform the community, state and governance institutions on its activities in accordance with the law.

CHAPTER II

AIMS, OBJECTIVES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY. ACTIVITY AREAS AND TYPES

- 12. Aims of the University activity:
- 1) conduct studies based on scientific research in Sport, Physical Education, Health, Rehabilitation, Recreation and Tourism, Adapted Physical Activity and other sports-related areas; provide higher university education and higher education qualification corresponding to the modern international level in knowledge and technology; develop a thoroughly educated, civic and socially responsible, creative and entrepreneurial personality;
- 2) foster a harmonious development of scientific knowledge in different areas, engage in high-level international research and experimental (social, cultural) development in Sports, Physical Education, Health, Rehabilitation, Recreation and Tourism, Adapted Physical Activity and other sports-related areas; train scientists and cooperate with Lithuanian and foreign partners in the field of science;
- 3) promote the development of sport, physical education, recreation and tourism, wellness and quality rehabilitation through scientific, educational, sports and other cultural activities in collaboration with public and economic partners;
- 4) educate the society, open to knowledge, science, physical education, sport and culture, able to effectively use science and compete in the market of high-level technology and services.
 - 13. The University shall perform the following functions in implementing its activity aims:
 - 1) enable to obtain a university education based on high-level international research;
- 2) promote progress in sport, physical education, health, rehabilitation, recreation and tourism, science and technology;
 - 3) organize studies indicated in the present Statute;
 - 4) enable a person to develop his/ her qualification and retrain;
- 5) develop fundamental and applied research, necessary for the unity of studies and science, in Sport, Physical Education, Health, Rehabilitation, Recreation and Tourism, Adapted Physical Activity, and other sports-related areas;
- 6) on the basis of international research, create and implement new study programmes as well as joint programmes with Lithuanian and foreign universities and international university networks;
- 7) provide services consistent with University activities to public authorities and other bodies in accordance with the legislation;
- 8) carry out research-based practical experimental activities to meet the needs of people, society and the state in Sports, Physical Education, Health, Rehabilitation, Recreation and Tourism, Adapted Physical Activity, and other sports-related areas;
- 9) in collaboration with public and economic partners, develop and implement research and other projects which train a fully educated, socially responsible, creative personality and promote human, social, national and regional development in Sports, Physical Education, Health, Rehabilitation, Recreation and Tourism, Adapted Physical Activity, and other sports-related areas;

- 10) in accordance with the principles of sustainable leadership, seek the partnership of the European and global universities, participate in international university networks;
- 11) disseminate humanistic ideas and scientific knowledge, foster the identity of the Lithuanian state and nation, promote democratic processes of the state and public life;
- 12) promote the implementation of internationally recognized advanced education, research and management standards in Sports, Physical Education, Health, Rehabilitation, Recreation and Tourism, Adapted Physical Activity, and other sports-related areas.
- 14. In implementing its activity aims, the University shall be guided by the following principles of science and research:
 - 1) freedom in creation and research;
 - 2) academic ethics, freedom and autonomy;
 - 3) priority for Lithuanian philology;
 - 4) publicity of research results;
 - 5) integration into the public life and life of the state;
 - 6) orientation towards international quality standards;
 - 7) fair competition and transparency;
 - 9) participation in international and European Research Area;
 - 10) openness, responsibility and accountability to the public;
 - 11) cooperation of the academic community;
 - 12) personal interest in students;
 - 13) commitment to develop social responsibility in academic community members;
 - 14) fair competition among higher education institutions and students;
 - 15) European humanistic and democratic traditions;
 - 16) compatibility with the provisions of the European Higher Education Area;
 - 17) aspiration for continuous learning.
- 15. The main area of the University activity shall be education. The main activity of the University shall be higher university education.
- 16. The University may also engage in other activities not prohibited by the legislation, which are inextricably linked to its activity aims.

CHAPTER III RIGHTS OF THE UNIVERSITY

- 17. The University shall have a right to:
- 1) choose areas and forms of study and personal development, scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development, cultural and scientific knowledge;
- 2) determine study procedures and fees in accordance with the Law on Higher Education and Research:
 - 3) prepare and approve study programmes, corresponding to the legislation;
 - 4) provide other education, qualification improvement and expert services;
 - 5) publish works on study and research and other literature;
- 6) determine its structure, establish units necessary for activity implementation (faculties, institutes, libraries, departments, laboratories, and other structural units), lay down the internal working procedures, number of employees, their rights, duties and remuneration, job requirements, procedures on competition organization for filling vacancies and employee certification in accordance with laws and regulations;
- 7) accept and dismiss students and external students in compliance with the procedure provided in the Statute;

- 8) provide scholarships to students from the funds of the University or sponsors;
- 9) establish forms of cooperation with the natural and legal persons of the Republic of Lithuania and foreign countries;
- 10) manage, use and dispose its property in compliance with the Law on Higher Education and Research and other legislation;
- 11) engage in lawful economic commercial activity, which is inextricably linked with the University activity objectives;
- 12) establish legal persons of limited liability, as well as branches and representative offices in accordance with laws and regulations; the termination procedure shall be laid down by the law;
 - 13) practise other rights defined in legal acts.
- 18. The University may enter into cooperative agreements and other contracts with scientific and educational institutions of the Republic of Lithuania and foreign countries, and individuals regarding study, science and other topics, as well as join associations, including international ones.

CHAPTER IV GOVERNANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY

- 19. The governance bodies of the University shall be formed and competencies established in accordance with the Civil Code of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter the Civil Code) and the Law on Higher Education and Research. The collegial governing bodies of the University shall be the University Council (hereinafter the Council) and the Senate; the unipersonal governing body the Rector of the University (hereinafter the Rector).
- 20. The governance of the University shall be based on the principles of democracy, competence, self-governance and public accountability.
- 21. Academic and non-academic collegial and unipersonal governance bodies can be established in the University.
- 22. The Senate shall establish the composition of academic governance bodies, competence, composition and cancellation procedures in the approved regulations of the bodies.
- 23. Activity aims, objectives, rights, management, assets and liability of non-academic governance bodies shall be defined by the Rector in the approved regulations of the bodies.

ATRICLE 1 THE COUNCIL

- 24. The Council shall:
- 1) approve the vision and mission of the University upon receipt of the Senate conclusions;
- 2) submit the University Statute and its amendments to the Seimas for its approval upon receipt of the Senate conclusions;
- 3) approve the Strategic Activity Plan of the University submitted by the Rector upon receipt of the Senate conclusions;
 - 4) consider and approve the University structural reform plans proposed by the Rector;
- 5) determine management, use, and disposal procedures of the University funds (including funds for administrative staff and other employee remuneration) and property owned by the University upon receipt of the Senate conclusions;
- 6) establish the procedure of open to public election of the University Rector upon receipt of the Senate conclusions;
 - 7) elect, appoint for the position and recall the Rector;

- 8) determine the principles of the University administrative and other staff selection and assessment;
 - 9) approve internal regulations of the University;
- 10) approve the rates of the University tuition fees and other fees indirectly related to the realisation of the study programme, upon the recommendation of the Rector;
- 11) approve the general number of study places with regard to the possibility for study and research as well as sports activity quality assurance upon receipt of the Senate conclusions;
- 12) approve the University annual income and expenditure estimate and report on its implementation, presented by the Rector;
 - 13) approve the University Annual Activity Report presented by the Rector;
- 14) upon receipt of the Senate conclusions, approve the University reorganization and liquidation plans and submit them to the Seimas;
- 15) prepare an annual report of its own activity and publicize it on the University website every year up to March 31;
 - 16) perform other functions defined in the present Statute and other legal acts.
 - 25. The University Council shall consist of 9 members:
- 1) 1 University Council member shall be appointed by the Student Representative Council in compliance with its regulations;
- 2) 4 members shall be appointed at the general meeting by the teachers and research workers who have occupied positions in the way of tender. Candidatures to the Council members shall be nominated by the academic departments and the academic community members, who can submit their own candidacies. The meeting shall be considered valid if more than half of the teachers and researchers with voting rights participate in the meeting;
- 3) other 4 members from outside of the University staff and students shall be proposed, appointed and recalled in compliance with the procedures laid down by the Senate, one of them - in compliance with the procedures laid down by the Student Representative Council. These four members shall be selected through an open competition and appointed after the assessment carried out by the Council of Higher Education;
- 4) the candidates with the majority of votes shall be elected to the Council. If some candidates with the highest number of votes get the same number of votes, and there should be fewer members, a second ballot shall be organized. In this way, only the names of the candidates with the same number of votes shall be added to the ballot. The candidates who get the majority of votes during the second ballot shall be elected.
 - 26. The Chairman of the Senate shall make the composition of the Council public.
- 27. A Council member shall be a person of an impeccable reputation, who held or holds a responsible position in the sphere of education, science, sports, culture, public activity or business (this does not apply to a student representative) with knowledge and skills that contribute to achieving the objectives of higher education institutions and the implementation of their mission, i. e. to develop studies and research corresponding to international standards and promote experimental (social, cultural) development in sports, physical education, health, rehabilitation, recreation and tourism, adapted physical activity, and other sports-related areas. A Council member shall be positioned no more than two consecutive terms in office.
- 28. The term of office of a Council member shall be 5 years. Not later than one month prior to the end of the term of office of a Council member, the Chairman of the Senate shall announce the composition of the newly formed Council.
- 29. A Council member, on taking his/ her position at the first meeting of the Council, with the invited members of the Senate and other representatives of the University academic community, shall sign a commitment to follow concerns of the University and the public, and conscientiously perform duties outlined in the Law on Higher Education and Research and the Statute.

- 30. The University Council shall elect and recall the Chairperson of the University Council by the majority of all member votes. The Chairperson of the University Council may not be a member of the University staff or a student.
- 31. The University Council shall approve its own work regulations. The University Council shall make decisions by the majority of participating member votes through an open or secret ballot. The University Council sessions shall be legitimate only if the number of session participants exceeds two thirds of the total. The Council shall make its decisions public on the University website.
 - 32. The Rector may participate in the University Council meetings on the right of an advisory vote.
- 33. In case the University Council member fails to follow the Statute regulations, violates the established University Council work regulation commitments or the commitment described in paragraph 29 or refuses to sign a commitment defined in this Statute, the Chairman of the University Council shall have the right to address the person who appointed the member with the application to recall the appointed member of the University Council.
- 34. In case the University Council member mandate is interrupted prior to the end of the term of office, a new member of the University Council may be appointed by the person who appointed the member whose mandate was interrupted in accordance with the Law on Higher Education and Research and the present Statute. The new member of the University Council shall undertake his/her duties after the new appointment is declared by the Chairman of the Senate and the new member signs the commitment defined in paragraph 29 of the present Statute. The new member shall be appointed till the end of term of a Council member whose term of office was interrupted.
- 35. The members of the University Council may be rendered a payment for their activities from the University funds. The remuneration shall be calculated according to the average monthly wages calculated each year, taking into account the actual time worked.
 - 36. The Rector shall ensure appropriate organizational conditions for the activities of the Council.

ARTICLE 2 THE SENATE

- 37. The University Senate shall be the governing body of the University academic affairs.
- 38. The Senate shall:
- 1) approve study, scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development and other programmes and propose recommendations to the Rector on the funding of these programmes, on the issues of University structural reforms necessary for the implementation of these programmes; evaluate the findings of the performed research, the quality of the University academic activity and its compliance with international standards:
 - 2) determine a procedure of studies;
- 3) approve the internal research and study quality assurance system and monitor its implementation;
- 4) under the guidance of the principles set by the University Council for the selection and evaluation of the University staff, approve qualification requirements for job positions of the teaching and research staff, establish the procedure on their assessment and organization of competitions for vacant positions;
- 5) convene the meetings of the University academic community (conferences) in order to consider important issues of the University activity; announce about the decision to convene a meeting (conference) and its agenda, date, time, location, and other details on the University website or in other ways defined by the Senate not later than 7 calendar days prior to the meeting;
 - 6) initiate the audit of the quality of University research activities and studies;
 - 7) award honorary and other titles of the University;

- 8) consider and make proposals for the Council on the University vision, mission and strategic activity plan;
 - 9) consider and make proposals for the Council on the amendments of the Statute;
- 10) consider and make proposals for the Council on candidates' suitability to perform the duties of the Rector;
- 11) consider and make proposals for the Council on the University reorganization or liquidation plans;
- 12) consider and make proposals for the Council on management, use, and disposal procedures of the University funds (including funds for administrative staff and other employee remuneration) and property owned by the University;
- 13) consider and make proposals for the Council on the general number of study places with regard to the possibility for study and research as well as sports activity quality assurance;
 - 14) perform other functions described in legal acts and the present Statute.
 - 39. The Senate shall be elected for the period of 5 years.
- 40. The Senate shall consist of the members of the University academic community, administrative staff, entering the Senate under the responsibilities, researchers and teachers of other education and research institutions, having an academic degree. Members, appointed by the Student Representative Council, shall make no less than 20 % of the Senate members. Persons holding positions of professors and chief research workers shall make no less than 20 % of the members of the Senate; persons holding positions of associate professors and senior research workers shall make no less than 20 % of the members of the Senate. The members of the Senate ex officio shall make up to 10 % of the Senate members. The members of the Senate can be the staff of other education and research institutions. The number of the members of the Senate and the quota of the new term Senate shall be approved by the outgoing Senate.
- 41. The members of the Senate, with the exception of representatives appointed by students, shall be elected by the assembly of the University scientists. The members of the assembly shall be scientists carrying out scientific research, and whose main place of work is the University. The meeting shall be convened by the Rector or the Chairman of the Senate. The meetings of the Senate shall be legitimate if no less than half of the members of the Senate with voting rights participate. The candidates with the majority of votes shall be elected to the Senate. Candidatures to the Senate members shall be nominated by the academic departments and the academic community members.
- 42. The activities of the Senate shall be regulated by the Regulations of the Senate Work. The first meeting of a newly elected Senate shall be convened by the Rector not later than a month after the election.
- 43. The Chairman of the Senate and the Deputy Chairman shall be elected by the Senate by a simple majority of votes. They can be recalled by 2/3 of the Senate members' votes. The Rector cannot be the Chairman of the Senate.
- 44. The meetings of the Senate shall be convened at least once a semester. Extraordinary meetings of the Senate shall be convened when no less than 1/3 of the Senate members express their demand or on the Rector's proposal. Extraordinary meetings shall be convened in 10 days from the submission of the proposal to the Chairman of the Senate.
- 45. The meetings of the Senate shall be legitimate if not less than a half of the members of the Senate participate. Resolutions of the Senate shall be adopted by 2/3 of the votes of participating members. Resolutions of the Senate shall be made publicly available; they shall take effect the day after publication, if the Senate does not impose a later date. Resolutions of the Senate shall be mandatory for all University employees, students and external students. The resolutions shall be published by the Rector.
- 46. The academic community of the University shall be informed on the resolutions of the Senate no later than in 3 days on the University website and in other ways established by the Senate.
- 47. The Senate shall report on its activities to the academic community of the University once a year until March 31.

ARTICLE 3 THE RECTOR

- 48. The Rector shall be a unipersonal management body of the University representing it and acting on its behalf.
 - 49. The Rector shall:
- 1) undertake the management of the University, organize its work, ensure the implementation of the University Strategic Plan and take responsibility for the quality of University study, scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development;
 - 2) issue orders binding to all employees, students and external students of the University;
 - 3) admit and dismiss members of the University staff;
 - 4) admit and expel students from the University pursuant to the Statute;
- 5) submit the rates of the University tuition fees and other fees indirectly related to the realisation of the study programme to the Council for approval;
- 6) bear responsibility for the University financial performance and proper management, use and disposition of its assets and resources;
- 7) present the University Annual Activity Report to the Council for approval and publicly promulgate it;
- 8) submit the Strategic Activity Plan of the University and the University structural reform plans to the Senate to consider and the University Council to approve;
- 9) consider and take decisions related to management, use, and disposal procedures of the University funds (including funds for administrative staff and other employee remuneration) and property owned by the University;
- 10) nominate the candidatures of Vice-Rectors, the Chancellor and the Heads of academic departments for the Senate for approval. Vice-Rectors and Heads of academic departments, who organize research and study activities, shall be selected from scientists;
 - 11) define the functions and mandate of the Vice-Rectors and the Chancellor;
 - 12) perform other functions prescribed by the present Statute and other legal acts.
 - 50. The Rector shall be elected by the Council in compliance with the procedures.
- 51. The public competition shall be announced by the Council. The Rector shall be considered elected having been supported by the votes of not less than 6 University Council members. If no candidate is elected during the first ballot, the second ballot shall be organized with no more than two candidates with the majority of votes from the first ballot.
- 52. To be eligible to become the Rector, a person shall have a scientific degree or be an acknowledged artist; he/ she shall have experience in education and management, knowledge and skills contributing to the achievement of the goals of a higher education institution and implementation of its mission, i. e. develop studies and research, corresponding to the international standards, promote experimental (social, cultural) development in sports, physical education, health, rehabilitation, recreation and tourism, adapted physical activity and other sports-related areas.
- 53. The contract of employment shall be signed for a term of office by the elected Rector and the Chairman of the University Council, acting on behalf of the University, or another person authorized by the latter.
- 54. The Rector's term of office shall be 5 years. The same person may be elected as the Rector for not more than two subsequent terms of office and not earlier than in 5 years time after the expiry of his last term of office, second in succession.
- 55. Should the University Annual Activity Report, presented by the Rector be rejected at the meeting of the University Council by the majority of its votes, the Rector shall be recalled from the office by not less than 6 the University Council members' votes.
 - 56. Some of the Rector's functions can be performed by the University Vice Rectors and the

Chancellor, delegated by the Rector. The Rector shall be substituted by a person authorized by the University Council.

- 57. The Rectorate shall be the Rector's collegial advisory institution. The Rectorate shall be comprised of the Rector, Vice-Rectors, Chancellor, a person delegated by the Student Representative Council and persons appointed by the Rector. The Rector can invite other persons to the meetings of the Rectorate.
- 58. The Rectorate shall consider questions related to studies, research and economy, coordinate activity of the University departments, contribute to the implementation of the decisions made by the Council and the Senate.

CHAPTER V THE UNIVERSITY STAFF

- 59. The University staff shall be comprised of teachers, researchers, administration and other staff, ensuring the University activities.
- 60. Labor relations, social security, employee rights, duties and responsibilities shall be established by the law, the present Statute and other legal acts, as well as the acts issued by the University governance bodies.
 - 61. In accordance with the legislation, the University staff shall:
- 1) within the competence, tender for science programme execution, obtaining science and research funds for support, and disposal of the funds allocated;
 - 2) tender for internship opportunities in the Republic of Lithuania and abroad;
- 3) obtain the information from the state institutions necessary for scientific work (if such information constitutes state or official secret, it is provided and used in accordance with the legislation);
 - 4) participate in the consideration of the Statute and the University activities;
 - 5) participate in various labor unions and associations, including those that operate abroad;
 - 6) work individually or join creative groups;
 - 7) self-publish research work.
- 62. The University staff, related to scientific and research activities, must adhere to the Code of Academic Ethics, and perform other duties described in this Statute and employment contracts.
- 63. Persons shall be admitted to the positions of the University teacher and research worker by open to public competition for a 5-year term of office. The competition shall be announced by the Rector. Competitions shall be organized, teachers and research workers shall be certified in compliance with the procedures set forth by the Senate, the laws and other legislation. Candidates for the positions of teacher and research worker, except for a trainee researcher, shall be assessed by the Teacher and Research Worker Admission Committee (hereinafter the Admission Committee) organized under the order set forth by the Senate. Not less than 1/3 of the Admission Committee members shall be persons who are not the University employees. If a competition for the positions of a chief researcher or a professor is organized, at least one international expert shall be a member of the Admission Committee.
 - 64. The teaching staff.
- 1) The positions of the University teaching staff shall be as follows: professor, associate professor, lecturer, and assistant lecturer.
- 2) A scientist may hold a position of a professor. A scientist who holds the position of a professor shall have to prepare researchers, teach students, carry out scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development work and supervise students; announce research results in Lithuanian and international scientific journals;
- A scientist may hold a position of an associate professor. A scientist holding a position of an associated professor shall have to teach students, carry out scientific research and experimental (social,

cultural) development work, and announce the results of these activities in Lithuanian and international scientific journals;

- 4) A person or a scientist who has not lower than a Master's degree or its equivalent qualification of higher education may apply for a position of a lecturer. A lecturer shall have to teach students and perform methodological work.
- 5) A person who has not lower than a Master's degree or its equivalent qualification of higher education may apply for a position of an assistant lecturer. An assistant lecturer shall have to supervise student practical activities (practical work, training, student practice and others); assist in carrying out scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development work.
 - 65. The Research Workers.
- 1) The research workers of the University shall be as follows: scientists holding a position of a chief researcher, senior researcher, researcher, junior researcher and trainee researcher;
- 2) A scientist may hold a position of a chief researcher. A chief researcher shall have to train scientists, supervise their scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development, and announce research results;
- 3) A scientist may hold a position of a senior researcher. A senior researcher shall have to supervise scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development, and announce research results;
- 4) A scientist may hold a position of a researcher. A researcher shall have to carry out scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development, and announce results of these activities;
- 5) A person who has not lower than a Master's qualification degree or its equivalent qualification of higher education may hold a position of a junior researcher. A junior researcher shall carry out or assist in performing works of scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development; prepare to apply for doctoral studies;
- 6) Minimal qualification requirements for the position of research workers, except for the positions of trainee researchers, shall be set forth by the Research Council of Lithuania; minimal qualification requirements for other researchers shall be set forth by the Senate;
- 7) A person who defended his/ her doctoral dissertation in another institution not earlier than 5 years prior to his/ her appointment to the post may hold a position of a trainee researcher at the University;
- 8) Procedures on qualification requirements for the positions of researchers (not lower than those set in subparagraphs 2 6), and procedures on organizing competitions for the posts, except for the positions of trainee researchers, shall be set forth by the Senate;
- 9) Qualification requirements for the positions of trainee researchers, the order of appointment to these positions and the order of funding of the internship shall be set forth by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter the Government).
- 66. Other University employees shall be admitted and dismissed according to the procedure established by the law.
- 67. With a person, who has won the competition for the same position of a teacher or research worker for the second time in succession, a termless employment contract for this position shall be signed. This person shall be assessed every 5 years under order set forth by the Senate. A non-assessed teacher or research worker shall be dismissed from the position. Under the order set forth by the University Council, an extraordinary assessment of a teacher or research worker may be organized. Admission to a higher teaching or research staff position shall be possible only via open competition.
- 68. Employees shall be hired and dismissed by the Rector's order. After the end of the employment relationship, a person's membership in elected or appointed University departments or bodies shall be terminated as well.
- 69. The University may invite teachers and research workers of other Lithuanian and foreign education and research institutions for work under a temporary contract for a period of no longer than 2 years in compliance with the law.

- 70. Teachers (except lecturers) with a scientific degree shall participate in research activities and/ or applied scientific and methodological activities in addition to teaching.
- 71. Every five years, following the order set forth by the Senate, the members of the University teaching staff may be exempted from pedagogical work for no longer than a year and may go on a sabbatical leave to carry out scientific research and develop their scientific or pedagogical qualification. During this period of time, the teacher shall be paid his/her average salary.
- 72. The University staff, following the order set forth by the Senate, shall be enabled to develop the qualifications and prepare for doctoral studies.
- 73. Professors, who have performed scientific and pedagogical work actively at the University, may be awarded the title of Professor Emeritus by the Senate for their exclusive scientific merits.
- 74. Professors Emeritus shall have the right to continue their participation in the University scientific and other activities in the same order as other scientists working at the University.
- 75. A Professor Emeritus, following the order set forth by the Senate, shall be paid a Professor Emeritus monthly allowance of the amount, estimated by the University Council from the University funds.
- 76. Labour disputes shall be considered by the Labor Disputes Commission. The Commission shall be composed, labour disputes of the University administrative and other staff shall be considered and decisions made according to the Labor Code of the Republic of Lithuania.

CHAPTER VI RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- 77. The University shall develop fundamental and applied research at international level in sports, physical education, health, rehabilitation, recreation and tourism, adapted physical activity, and other sports-related fields, participate in national, regional and international research programmes and projects, and apply in practice the scientific results.
- 78. The research direction, scope, themes and terms shall be determined by the University, having regard to its research opportunities, study needs, the importance of research for education, culture and economy of Lithuanian and international society, international cooperation programmes, as well as the University research staff qualifications and the availability of financial resources. The University shall encourage discipline and interdisciplinary research at international level, the development of thematic projects, the partnership and cooperation in the European and global interdisciplinary research networks; it shall carry out research according to orders of public and private institutions.
- 79. The research results shall be promulgated in the public domain (the University website and by other means) to the extent not in conflict with the regulations governing the protection of intellectual property and secrets of commercial and public services.
- 80. The main scientific activities of the University shall be organized in faculties, departments, laboratories, institutes and centers. The research carried out by them shall be the basis of creative activities and study integration, study and research qualification development. In cooperation with Lithuanian and foreign scientific, research and other institutions, the University may set up a joint body, the activities of which shall be regulated by the contract of interested parties and the law.
- 81. The ethics of research in Social Sciences, carried out at the University, shall be ensured by the Social Sciences Research Ethics Supervision Committee. The ethics of research in Biomedical Sciences shall be ensured by Lithuanian Bioethics Committee or the Regional Biomedical Research Ethics Committees.
- 82. The outcomes of scientific activities conducted at the University shall be applied in the study process.
 - 83. The University shall confer a doctoral degree in accordance with the law.
- 84. The University may create and/ or take part in the activities of integrated science, study and business centers (valleys), and science and technology parks in order to concentrate the business potential,

open to scientific research, studies and knowledge; to purposefully contribute to the creation of knowledge society and knowledge economy in Europe and the world and strengthening the competitiveness of Lithuania.

- 85. The University shall encourage students' scientific activity. There shall operate scientific societies and student research conferences; workshops and research competitions shall be organized.
- 86. The University shall have the publishing rights; it shall publish periodic peer-reviewed scientific journals and other scientific publications, scientific, methodological, training and other literature, organize scientific conferences, workshops, scientific and educational events.
- 87. There may be established the University Research institutions (including those having the rights of a legal person, with the exception of legal persons of unlimited liability), carrying out experimental (social, cultural) development and scientific research of certain trend(s) that meet the aims and mission of the University. The institutions shall provide a scientific basis for university studies and for preparation of scientists, develop teachers' scientific competencies, carry out long-term research of certain trend(s) essential for the development of economy, cultre and the society. The governance bodies of the institutions shall be composed and the institutions shall be governed in compliance with the law and other legal acts.
- 88. The University Research institution may have its own specialized base (laboratory, expert service, etc.) to develop scientific research, collect empirical material and deal with other issues.

CHAPTER VII STUDIES

ARTICLE 1 STUDY TYPES, CYCLES, MODES AND DURATION

- 89. The University studies shall be performed in degree and non-degree study programmes, included in the Register of Studies, Teaching Programmes and Qualifications.
- 90. A person, having completed studies of any cycle, shall be issued a certifying diploma of a set form by the University.
- 91. A person, having studied according to a part of a study programme (non-degree study programmes), which provides knowledge and skills to be assessed in compliance with the University procedures, shall be issued a confirming certificate.
- 92. Qualification, awarded after completion of certain University studies, shall be indicated in a study programme.
- 93. The language of instruction at the University shall be the Lithuanian language. Other languages of instruction shall be introduced under the following conditions:
 - 1) the contents of the study programme is related to the other language;
 - 2) the lectures are read or other academic discourse is presented by foreign teachers;
- 3) the studies are provided in joint study programmes or the study programmes the accomplishment of which allows awarding double qualification degrees and part of these programmes shall be provided in other countries, non-state higher education institutions the language of instruction in which shall be other than Lithuanian; or in cases indicated in paragraphs 1 and 2;
- 4) the studies are provided in the study programmes designed for foreigners or study exchange programmes.
 - 94. The University study programmes shall be as follows:
 - 1) first cycle or Bachelor studies;
 - 2) second cycle or Master studies;
 - 3) third cycle or Doctoral studies.
- 95. Studies shall be provided in full-time and part-time modes. The specific study field forms, subjects of study, and their ratio shall be determined by the regulation of a study field.

- 96. The admission procedures to study programmes shall be approved by the Senate.
- 97. The University shall announce admission to studies, list of competitive subjects according to study fields, principles of competitive score calculation, minimum admission score and other criteria not later than 2 years prior to the corresponding school year.
- 98. Modes of non-degree studies shall be determined by agreements with the external students and clients.
- 99. The official length of a programme and its duration shall be laid down in the Law on Higher Education and Research and the Senate acts.

ARTICLE 2 STUDY PROGRAMMES

- 100. The study programmes of the first cycle shall be oriented to universal education, theoretical preparation and professional skills of the highest level. After completion of the first cycle study programme, a person shall be awarded a Bachelor's degree of a certain field(s) of study and/ or a qualification.
- 101. Master study programme shall prepare for independent scientific work or another work the performance of which requires scientific knowledge and analytical skills. Persons who graduate from the second cycle study programmes, shall be awarded a Master's degree of a certain field of study.
- 102. The purpose of the doctoral studies shall be to prepare scientists capable to perform scientific research and experimental (social, cultural) development independently and provide solutions to scientific problems. Doctoral studies shall be conducted according to regulations on Doctoral Studies approved by the Government. The persons who have successfully defended the dissertation shall be granted a doctoral degree.
- 103. The University may provide joint study programmes of all cycles with other Lithuanian and/ or foreign universities and/ or research institutes.
- 104. Only accredited degree programmes shall be conducted, the official length in credits of which shall be determined by the Law on Education and Science and other legal acts.
- 105. The University may reckon the credits of other higher education institutions in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Senate.

ARTICLE 3 NON – DEGREE STUDIES

- 106. Non-degree study programmes shall provide qualification and create opportunities for preparation for an independent practical activity in accordance with the procedures and cases set forth by the Government or the institutions authorized by it.
- 107. The official length of a non degree study programme in credits shall be set forth by the Law on Education and Science and other legal acts.

CHAPTER VIII THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

- 108. The University academic community shall be comprised of students, academic staff, research workers, other researchers and professors emeritus.
 - 109. The academic community shall be entitled to academic freedom, comprised of:
 - 1) freedom of thought and self-expression;

- 2) freedom of choice of science and education activity methods and access agreeable to the accepted principles of Ethics;
- 3) protection against restrictions and sanctions as regards the declaration of the scientific findings or beliefs, except for the cases when the information declared is either the state or official secret and/or is the violation of the laws of the Republic of Lithuania;
 - 110. The academic community shall be ensured:
- 1) rights of creative or intellectual authorship as they are defined in the Lithuanian Republic laws and international contracts;
 - 2) equal rights to participate in competitions;
 - 3) unbiased and public reviews of scientific works.
- 111. The University academic community shall exercise academic freedom and base its activity on the Code of Academic Ethics approved by the Senate under the recommendations of the Controller of Academic Ethics and Procedures.

CHAPTER IX STUDENTS

ARTICLE 1 STUDENTS AND EXTERNAL STUDENTS

- 112. The University students shall be persons enrolled in the study programmes or doctoral studies.
- 113. The persons who apply and may be competitively enrolled into the University first cycle study programmes, on the basis of their learning achievements and entrance examination results or other criteria determined by the University, must have at least secondary education.
- 114. After the Student Representative Council's consideration, the Senate shall approve the list of competitive subjects according to study fields, principles of competitive score calculation, minimum admission score and other criteria not later than 2 years prior to the corresponding school year.
- 115. The persons with the qualification of higher education, meeting the requirements set out by the Senate, shall be enrolled into the second cycle study programmes. The persons with Professional Bachelor's degree shall have the right to join the second cycle study programmes if they meet minimum requirements approved by the Minister of Science and Education.
- 116. The persons with Master's degree or equivalent education, meeting the requirements set forth by the Senate and Regulations on Doctoral Studies may be competitively enrolled into the University third cycle (doctoral) study programmes.
 - 117. Student Identification Cards of a certain form shall be issued to students.
- 118. External students may be enrolled to University studies of non-formal education programmes or individual subjects (or their groups).
- 119. Study conditions, rights and obligations of external students shall be laid down in their contracts with the University.

ARTICLE 2 STUDENT RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

- 120. The students shall be entitled to the following student rights:
- 1) study in the chosen programme;
- 2) study by an individual study plan;
- 3) study in more than one study programme or other subjects at the University or in another higher

education institution;

- 4) evaluate the quality of the study subjects regarding their teaching and study equipment and facilities:
 - 5) choose teachers if the same subject is taught by several teachers;
 - 6) propose his/ her final thesis topic or choose from a number of the proposed topics;
- 7) account for the assigned work by applying alternative methods in case of disability, which causes difficulties in accounting for the assigned work by following the regular procedure, or if the student is a member of the national team and if alternative method ensures the achievement of the set study objectives;
- 8) apply to the University Administration for recognition of the study outcomes achieved at the University or any other Lithuanian or foreign higher education institution;
- 9) appeal to the University Administration, dispute among students and the administration and staff resolution committee (hereinafter - the Dispute Resolution Committee) as well as the University Academic and Professional Ethics Committee for the violations of their rights and legitimate interests;
 - 10) terminate and resume studies according to the procedures set forth by the Senate;
- 11) take an academic leave without losing a student status and the right to continue studies in a state-funded position after the academic leave;
 - 12) exercise freedom of thoughts and attitudes;
 - 13) participate in the University governance bodies;
 - 14) elect student representatives and be elected, join other associations freely;
 - 15) exercise other rights defined by the law, this Statute and other legal acts.
- 16) access sports bases of the University to raise sports excellence and for health promotion purposes.
- 121. The students shall be eligible to receive scholarships in compliance with the Law on Science and Studies and in cases described by other legal acts.
 - 122. The students shall have the following obligations:
 - 1) study diligently, perform the tasks set forth by the study programme;
- 2) comply with the present Statute, the Code of Academic Ethics, other legal acts and internal order rules;
- 3) carry out the decisions of the University institutions, orders of the Rector and the Deans, instructions of the department heads.
- 123. The students who believe that their rights or legitimate interests have been violated, shall have the right to appeal to the Rector or his/ her delegated person. The Rector or his/ her delegated person, having received the written application, shall consider it in 15 calendar days and write a response. If the students are unsatisfied with the response provided by the Rector or his/ her delegated person to their written application, complaint or notice with regard to violation of their rights or legitimate interests prescribed in legal acts or having not received a response within the period of 15 calendar days, they shall have the right to address the Dispute Resolution Committee;
- 124. The Dispute Resolution Committee shall be formed by the order of the Rector. The Committee shall be a permanent institution comprised of 6 persons, commissioned by the University administrative staff and the Student Representative Council in equal. Student's complaint must be examined in one month by the Committee. The Committee meetings shall be legitimate, if at least two thirds of the members of the Committee participate and decisions are taken by more than half of all the members' votes. The student shall be informed on the Committee decision in a written form. The decision of the Dispute Resolution Committee shall be final and formalized by the Rector's order.

ARTICLE 3 DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST STUDENTS

- 125. Disciplinary actions may be imposed upon any student found to be in violation of appropriate performance of student responsibilities. Disciplinary action shall be determined by a separate procedure under the consideration of the Student Representative Council proposals.
 - 126. A student may be expelled from the University in case of:
- 1) gross violation of the Statute or legal acts governing studies and internal procedures. The status of a gross violation shall be determined by the Study Regulations, approved by the Senate;
 - 2) failure to comply with the requirements of the study programme.

ARTICLE 4 UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' SELF-GOVERNING BODIES

- 127. The interests of the University students shall be represented by the Student Representative Council, comprised of the students elected by the General Student Representative Conference.
- 128. Any University student may become a member of the Student Representative Council. He/ she shall actively participate in the Council's activities; his/ her membership shall be approved by the Board of Student Representative Council. A membership contract between the Student Representative Council and a student shall be signed.
- 129. The Student Representative Council shall act in accordance with its regulations, approved at the General Student Representative Conference.
- 130. The General Student Representative Conference shall be valid if attended by more than a half of the representatives (the delegates). The decisions taken at General Student Representative Conference shall be considered adopted if more than half of the students participating in the conference have voted.
- 131. The students shall be delegated to the governance bodies of the University and its departments in accordance with the order prescribed in the Student Representative Council Regulations. The student representatives shall participate in the activities of the University governance bodies having the decisive voting right.
- 132. The Student Representative Council shall be entitled to obtain information and explanations from the administration of the University and its units or other University institutions on all study matters.
- 133. The University shall provide support for the Student Representative Council and other student organizations in accordance with the order prescribed by the University Council, shall provide facilities and designate funds to finance their activity as well as allocate financial resources for students' cultural, sports and social activities. At the end of a financial year, the Student Representative Council shall report to the University academic community annually on the usage of funds allocated by the University in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the University Council. The Student Representative Council shall report to the University Council on the usage of funds allocated by the University in 3 months in accordance with the procedures set forth by the regulations of the Student Representative Council.
- 134. The Student Representative Council shall have the right to express their views on all issues of student concern.
- 135. The Student Representative Council shall have the right to request the reconsideration of the decisions approved by the University governance bodies, related to the students in a written form not later than in 7 calendar days.

CHAPTER X FINANCING AND PROPERTY

- 136. The University shall manage, use and have the property at its disposal, following the principles of society benefit, effectiveness, rationality, accountability for the public and autonomy of economic activity.
 - 137. The property of the University shall be comprised of:
- 1) state-owned tangible fixed assets transferred to the University in accordance with the Property Trust Agreement;
 - 2) University owned property.
- 138. The property that the University manages, uses and has at its disposal under proprietorship shall be:
 - 1) the property invested by the state;
- 2) the income received as tuition fees, as well as the income accumulated from the economic, scientific activity and the services provided;
- 3) the assets and other property received as support under the Law on Charity and Sponsorship of the Republic of Lithuania;
 - 4) other financial assets, except the state budget assets;
- 5) the property acquired from the state budget assets and the assets indicated in the subsections 2, 3 and 4 of this item, except for real estate obtained from the European Union support and using the assets of the state budget and state funds;
 - 6) donated property;
 - 7) inherited property;
- 8) property rights emerging from the results of intellectual activity (science or art production and industrial objects of proprietorship: invention patents, designs, trademarks, and semiconductor topography and other intellectual property objects);
- 9) profit, property or other benefit received while managing, using and disposing the assets indicated in the subsections 1-8 of this item or other property.
- 139. The University shall manage, use and have the property at its disposal under proprietorship in compliance with the law following the procedures set forth by the University Council.
- 140. The University shall manage, use and have at its disposal state-owned tangible fixed assets transferred to the University in accordance with the Property Trust Agreement in compliance with the law and the Property Trust Agreement, following the order determined by the University Council.
- 141. The University shall exert the right of immunity in relation to its territory and buildings. It is the prerogative of the Government to change the boundaries of the territory or the administrators of the state buildings, having received the approval of the University Council. If the University Council does not approve, the territory boundaries or state building administrators may be changed only by the Seimas.
- 142. The University employees, students and external students shall use the University property in compliance with internal regulations of the University.
- 143. Income and expenditure shall be managed by the University in accordance with annual income and expenditure estimates, approved by the University Council. Every year (no later than in March) the University annual expenditure estimates; statements of the previous financial year shall be submitted before April 30.

CHAPTER XI FINAL PROVISIONS

- 144. The Statute of the University shall be approved by the Seimas.
- 145. The University Council shall submit the amendments of this Statute to the Seimas for approval, upon receipt of the conclusions of the Senate. The University Council's decision to submit amendments of the Statute to the Seimas for approval may be adopted having at least 3/5 of the University Council members' votes.
- 146. No provision of the Statute shall be interpreted in a way that would reduce the autonomy of higher education institutions guaranteed by the Constitution of the Republic of Lithuania.

Annex 2 of the Resolution No XI-2309 of 17 October 2012 of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

LIST OF LAND SITES AND BUILDINGS OWNED BY LITHUANIAN SPORTS UNIVERSITY

No	Property	Address	The total area of the building in square meters	Inventory number
1.	Administrative building	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	4,861.39	1993-2040-1010
2.	Yard structures (fences, patio area)	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	-	1993-2040-1085
3.	Administrative building	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	1,019.19	1993-2040-1024
4.	Household building	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	-	1993-2040-1041
5.	Transformer substation	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	_	1993-2040-1096
6.	Administrative building	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	3,928.57	1993-2040-1030
7.	Household building	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	-	1993-2040-1052
8.	Household building	Sporto Str. 6, Kaunas	-	1993-2040-1063
9.	Dormitory	Perkūno Av. 3, Kaunas	4,176.44	1996-7019-5012
10.	Institute	Perkūno Av. 3, Kaunas	270.52	1996-7019-5023
11.	Institute	Perkūno Av. 3A, Kaunas	2,514.37	1998-1007-6012
12.	Sports Hall	Aušros Str. 42, Kaunas	5,459.16	1998-0000-9014
13.	Yard structures (patio area)	Aušros Str. 42, Kaunas	_	1998-0000-9025
14.	Garage	Minties Rato Str. 13, Kaunas	124.73	1993-8032-9022
15.	Sports Complex	Arlaviškiai village, Taurakiemis Township, Kaunas District Municipality	529.88	5298-2026-8019
16.	Garage	Arlaviškiai village, Taurakiemis Township, Kaunas District Municipality	115.78	5298-2026-0826
17.	Yard structures	Arlaviškiai village, Taurakiemis Township, Kaunas District Municipality	-	5298-2026-8040
18.	Garage	Intako Str. 7A, Kaunas	182.84	1996-3007-6014
19.	Rowing base	Birutės Str. 19, Birštonas	2,617.77	1297-2000-3012
20.	Yard structures (patio area)	Birutės Str. 19, Birštonas	_	1297-2000-3023
21.	Recreational building	Ramybės Str. 24, Palanga	417.93	2597-1001-7010
22.	Yard structures (patio area)	Ramybės Str. 24, Palanga	_	2597-1001-7032
23.	Warehouse	Ramybės Str. 24, Palanga	22.00	2597-1001-7021
24.	Aquatic tower	Community gardens "Atletas", Guogai village, Taurakiemis Township, Kaunas District Municipality	-	16233560