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# **REGULATION ON GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS AT LITHUANIAN SPORTS UNIVERSITY**

#### I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Regulation on Granting Scholarships regulates distribution of the scholarship fund, as well as the conditions and procedure for granting scholarships at Lithuanian Sports University (hereinafter referred to as the University) to undergraduate and graduate students in state-funded and state non-funded positions.

2. Definitions:

Scholarship means non-refundable financial support for students studying at the University.

**Incentive scholarship** means a scholarship granted to the best undergraduate and graduate students taking into consideration their study results.

**One-time target scholarship** means a scholarship granted to undergraduate and graduate students for active cultural, scientific, social or sporting activities, in the event of disaster, death of a relative, or in other cases.

**Scholarship fund** means financial resources provided for students' scholarships in the state budget appropriation programmes of a certain year and the National Lithuanian Studies and Research Development Programme.

## II. PURPOSE AND TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS

3. Students may be granted incentive, one-time target and nominal scholarships.

4. Students who receive nominal scholarships from private, public, foreign or international funds may also apply for an incentive and one-time target scholarship in accordance with the provisions laid down by this Regulation.

5. The purpose of a scholarship is to motivate, in the manner prescribed by this Regulation, the most active students involved in research activities and provide targeted support for them.

6. An incentive and one-time target scholarship fund is calculated on the basis of the number of undergraduate and graduate students admitted to state-funded and state non-funded positions. The scholarship fund shall be approved by the Council. Specific amounts of scholarships for the semester shall be approved by the Rector of the University in accordance with the approved estimate of the scholarship fund.

7. The general scholarship fund for undergraduate and graduate students is divided into three parts:

7.1. Part 1: incentive scholarships for the best students studying the second or later semesters;

7.2. Part 2: incentive scholarships for students in the state-funded positions studying the first semester in accordance with the scholarship stipulated in the funding methodology;

7.3. Part 3: one-time scholarships  $- \notin 3000$ .

8. An incentive scholarship (scholarships) shall be paid once a month.

9. Students receiving an incentive scholarship shall be entitled to a one-time target, social or nominal scholarship.

10. Undergraduate and graduate students in the state-funded positions studying the first semester may be granted a one-time target and an incentive scholarship, while students in state non-funded positions may be granted only a one-time scholarship.

11. Students who renew studies at the University after being excluded from the list of students shall not be awarded a scholarship for one semester.

# III. PROCEDURE OF GRANTING INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHPS

12. An incentive scholarship shall be granted to the best undergraduate and graduate students in the state-funded and state non-funded positions (except for those studying the first semester).

13. An incentive sholarship shall not be granted to:

13.1. students who have academic debts;

13.2. students who have renewed studies or have been admitted from another higher education institution – for one semester;

13.3. students who are retaking the course.

14. Students who have gone on short-term studies abroad shall receive an incentive scholarship for the whole period of studies abroad. Upon returning after short-term studies, a scholarship shall be awarded for one semester according to the results of the previous session.

15. Incentive scholarships shall be granted twice a year: for the autumn semester (August-January), and for the spring semester (February-July).

16. There are two levels of incentive scholarships:

16.1. Level 1: scholarships shall be granted to students, whose session weighted average grade is 9.50 or more (rounded to the nearest hundredth);

16.2. Level 2: scholarships shall be granted for the period of the first semester to state-funded students who had the highest admission competition score in accordance with the scholarship stipulated in the funding methodology;

17. The amount of a Level 1 scholarship shall be calculated by dividing Part 1 of the scholarship fund from the number of students with a session weighted average of 9.50 or more.

18. Incentive scholarships of Level 1 and Level 2 shall be granted on the recommendation of the Deans and terminated by the Rector's order.

19. An incentive scholarship of Level 2 may be granted to state-funded students studying in the first semester of the first or second cycle of studies.

20. The amount of all incentive scholarships may be changed by the Rector's order after evaluation of the scholarship fund balance, in agreement with the Student Union.

## IV. PROCEDURE OF GRANTING ONE-TIME TARGET SCHOLARSHPS

21. Once a semester, one-time target scholarships from the approved fund may be granted to:

21.1. students who have lost of one of the family members. A certified copy of a death certificate is required;

21.2. students who have suffered a disaster. Supporting documents are required;

21.3. students who go abroad for intensive studies. A recommendation issued by the International Relations Office is required;

21.4. students with scientific achievements. An application as well as supporting documents (copies of articles, conference abstracts, etc.) are required;

21.5. active students on the recommendation of the Student Union;

21.6. students upon a birth of a child. A certified copy of the child's birth certificate is required;

21.7. students with achievements in sport and in other special cases on the recommendation of the Dean.

22. The amount of a scholarship shall not exceed 3 basic social welfare allowances (balance of one-time target scholarship fund shall be taken into account).

23. A one-time target scholarship shall be granted on the recommendation of the Dean by the Rector's order.

24. A student applying for a one-time target scholarship shall submit a request and other necessary documents to the Dean of the Faculty.

## V. PROCEDURE OF GRANTING NOMINAL SCHOLARSHPS

25. Nominal scholarships/ grants may be awarded to the University students.

26. The rationale and principles for granting nominal scholarships shall be set out in the agreement or regulations of a specific nominal scholarship/ grant.

27. A nominal scholarship/ grant shall be paid from targeted funds received from Lithuanian and/ or foreign institutions or natural persons specified in the nominal scholarship and/ or grant agreement.

#### VI. SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY STUDENT UNION

- 28. The president of the University Student Union shall receive a scholarship in the amount of 5 basic social welfare allowances.
- 29. A scholarship to the president of the Student Union shall be paid every month (except July and August)

## VII. TERMINATION OF SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENTS

30. Payment of a scholarship shall be terminated if:

30.1. a student has been excluded from the list of the University students;

30.2. a student has been granted an academic leave or upon a temporary suspension of studies;

30.3. a student has violated academic regulations prescribed in the Study Regulations.

31. If a student terminates his/ her studies, takes an academic leave or is excluded from the list of the University students before the 15th of the current month, an incentive scholarship shall not be paid for that month.

#### VIII. FINAL PROVISIONS

32. Scholarships shall be paid from the scolarship funds approved in the cost estimates of the state higher education institutions. These funds may be reallocated to other needs of a state higher education institution only if approved by the Student Union of the University.

33. This Regulation comes into force on February 1, 2018.

I hereby agree, President of LSU Student Union

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