

LITHUANIAN SPORTS UNIVERSITY STUDY REGULATION

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Lithuanian Sports University Study Regulation (hereinafter – Study Regulation) establishes study organization and execution system at Lithuanian Sports University (hereinafter – the University): student admission, study planning, study organization, student and teacher rights and responsibilities.

2. Study Regulation is intended for the academic community, it aims to develop academic community literacy in the sphere of study organization and execution.

3. Key concepts used in the present Study Regulation:

Academic certificate – a document issued by a higher education institution indicating the completed programme modules (subjects), the volume of the credits and their evaluation.

Academic debt – 1) an examination failed to be retaken for a positive evaluation before the time specified; 2) works (course paper, project work, paper, etc.) or practice not defended by a student before the time specified.

Academic leave – a temporary suspension of studies due to illness or another serious personal reason while remaining in student lists.

Academic mobility – physical or virtual student and teacher mobility related to the study process, the main purpose of which is to enable students to acquire knowledge, skills and experience; it provides teachers possibilities to go on internship, share professional experience, improve competencies, develop practical teaching skills in another academic environment - another higher education institution or place of practice.

Dispute Resolution Committee – a committee formed for a fixed period of time or for an examination of a particular appeal.

Higher university education – education, acquired in a Lithuanian higher education institution after completion of university degree or doctoral programmes granting a qualification of higher education, or equivalent education acquired in a foreign educational or research institution and recognized in accordance with legal acts.

Higher education institution – legal entity, holding the autonomy guaranteed by the Constitution of the Republic of Lithuania, and a certain status determined by the Law on Science and Studies and other legal acts. It organizes and conducts studies, provides higher education qualifications imposed by legislation, is engaged in researching, experimental (social, cultural) development, accumulates scientific knowledge, develops creative activities, and promotes values and traditions of academic community.

There are two types of higher education institutions in Lithuania: universities and higher education colleges. A higher education university may be called a university, an academy or a seminary. A higher education college may be called a college or a higher education institution.

Qualification of higher education – qualification degree (professional Bachelor, Bachelor, Master), Doctoral degree, Doctoral degree in Arts as well as the qualification conferred by a higher education institution in compliance with legal acts.

Final thesis – a student's independent scientific research or creative project work performed at the end of the study programme and intended for the acquisition, improvement and assessment of analytical, research, artistic and other cognitive and functional competences.

Bachelor – a person who has completed the first-cycle university study programme and holding a Bachelor's qualification degree.

Bachelor's qualification degree – higher education qualification degree conferred to a person who has successfully completed the first cycle university study programme.

Bachelor studies – the first cycle university studies, granting general university education, fundamental knowledge in the selected field of study and intended for the development of general and subject-specific competences.

Partial studies – studying according to a part of a study programme, attaining knowledge and skills that are assessed and confirmed by a certificate.

Teacher – a person teaching students and unclassified students in a higher education institution.

Diploma – a document certifying the qualification acquired.

Diploma supplement – a document issued together with a diploma by a higher education institution containing the details of the study and study results.

Doctoral studies – third cycle university studies intended for education of scholars and conferring a qualifying academic degree.

Double qualification degree – a qualifying higher education degree conferred to a person after completion of the first cycle double study programme. The study programme satisfies not only the requirements of the principal study field, but also the minimum requirements of the other study field.

Examination session – a period of time for giving an account for the modules (subjects) studied. During the session all learning outcomes (knowledge acquired, abilities and skills) of the semester are assessed.

Electronic personal records – electronic programme, used for internal learning outcome evaluation where final evaluations of student achievement are recorded. There are two types of electronic personal records: personal records for interim examinations (electronic journal) and personal records for final evaluations.

Minor studies – a smaller part of a double study programme satisfying the requirements of other than principal study field, required for a double qualification degree.

Individual study plan – an individual plan that corresponds to the needs of a student and is composed on a reasoned request of a student by consent of the Study Programme Committee. It includes module (subject) examination dates throughout the semester. Individual study plan is composed and approved in compliance with the LSU Regulation on Individual Study Plans, approved by the Senate.

Intensive study module (subject) studies – studies when a study module (subject) is studied every day and completed in a few weeks.

Student-oriented studies – studies based on the evidence of student academic achievement. The studies are based on the knowledge, abilities, values and attitudes correlating with actual and future needs of the development of labour market and democratic society. Therefore, studies are organized according to: a) the principles of responsibility, accountability, self-learning, respect, cooperation and commitment to improve; b) study objectives, based on the study outcomes correlating with the national and European qualification frameworks; c) specific tools to achieve the objectives: mobility development, deployment of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, active teaching and learning methods, quality assurance system based on the concept of learning outcomes, recognition of qualification, non-formal and informal education achievement; d) processes related to studies: involvement of social stakeholders into the process of study organization and realization, providing students with the necessary social support and planning their careers.

Part-time studies – mode of studies intended to acquire the qualification of the same cycle of studies over a longer period of time than regular studies for students who are not satisfied with the intensity of full-time studies. Part-time studies are not more than one and a half times longer than full-time studies.

Joint study programme – a study programme jointly prepared and implemented by two or more institutions of higher education and corresponding to the requirements of joint study programmes approved by the order of the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Lithuania.

Course repetition – when a student repeats a course due to an illness, academic debts or other reasons (all the semester or separate study programme subjects (modules)).

Qualification – outcome of the process of formal evaluation and validation which comes into force when a state-authorized institution makes a decision that a person has successfully achieved study programme outcomes and issues a certificate of a set form (a certificate or a diploma) certifying competences for certain professional activities.

Qualification degree – degree (Bachelor's, Master's) conferred to a person after completion of a study programme of a certain cycle of studies of higher education (in the third cycle of studies – after a defence of a dissertation or an art project).

Non-degree study programme – a study programme intended for achieving a qualification or preparing for an independent practical activity in compliance with the procedure set out by the Government or an institution authorized by it. It focuses on targeted preparation of professionals that can immediately engage in work and pursue a professional career. The volume of a non-degree study programme is not less than 30 credits and not more than 120 credits.

Master's studies – the second cycle of studies, designed to prepare for independent research work or any other work the performance of which requires scientific knowledge and analytical competence. On completion of Master's studies, students are awarded a Master's degree.

Master – a person who has completed Master's studies and holds a Master's qualification degree.

Master's degree – a qualification degree of higher education, conferred to a person after completion of the second cycle or integrated studies.

Double study programme – first cycle study programme that satisfies not only the requirements of the principal study field, but also the minimum requirements of the other study field. On completion of a double study programme a person receives a double degree.

Research Doctoral degree – a qualification degree of higher education conferred to a person after completion of the third cycle study programme and defence of a dissertation.

Full-time studies – the main form of studies, the volume of which is not less than 45 credits and not more than 60 credits per year.

Distance studies – studies taking place in a virtual learning environment and allowing the student-teacher interaction as well as opportunities to study flexibly, independently, on an individual pace. A teacher and a student carry out activities at a convenient time, place and without a direct contact. Studies are carried out through the use of adapted distance learning study module (subject) programmes, certified in compliance with the Procedure on Study Module (Subject) Attestation, approved by the Senate.

Principal study field programme – bigger part of a double study programme, on completion of which a person is conferred a double qualification degree.

Supplementary studies – studies intended to acquire supplementary competences, on the basis of which a right to study in other study programme of the same field of study and the same cycle of study or in the same field of study and upper cycle of study is granted. Supplementary studies are necessary for students with a Professional Bachelor's degree who want to study in the second cycle of university studies as well as those who want to study in another programme of the same cycle of studies and the same field of studies.

Grade – final evaluation of a separate study programme module (subject), based on clear evidence of student appropriate academic performance criteria. It is expressed in numeric, literal or other form of criteria.

Plagiarism – presentation of the ideas or thoughts of other people as students' own. Typical cases of plagiarism: when the text is presented without quotation marks or other forms of extraction from full-text (e.g., a separate paragraph, in italics); when the greater part of the work consists of literally written off another author's text indicating the author at each paragraph of the text, i.e., there are no student's ideas, generalization, discussion or insight; when someone else's idea is quoted, illustrating material or data presented without indicating the source; when the text of the article is translated from a foreign language into the native language, and presented together with the cited authors as student's own.

Practice – part of a study process at a higher education institution, during which students take part in practical studying at a practice institution.

Student workload – quantitative measure of studying activities (lectures, seminars, practicums, collection of information, personal training, studies, examinations, etc.) necessary to achieve study results in a set period of time. Student workload is measured in credits, consisting of learning outcomes and the time to achieve them. The more complicated learning outcomes and the shorter time to achieve them – the bigger student workload is (e.g., intensive course).

Student Representative Council – a student organization representing student interests.

Assessment of learning outcomes – collection, systematization and analysis of qualitative and quantitative data on student's academic achievement. The data collected during the assessment of student academic achievement is the basis for a decision on student learning outcome assessment in grade.

Studies – studies of a person having not lower than secondary education in a higher education institution in a certain study programme or preparing a dissertation.

Studying persons – persons studying at the University according to a specific type and study cycle programme. The studying persons are as follows:

- 1) Student – a person who studies at the University according to a study programmed or in doctoral studies;
- 2) Visiting student – a person who studies under agreements between universities or international exchange programmes;
- 3) Unclassified student - a person who studies in formal, non-formal education programmes or separate courses or modules. Conditions, rights and obligations of unclassified students are laid down in the agreements signed with the University.

Tuition fee – cost of one year of study, established by the University Council.

Academic calendar – academic schedule (semesters, sessions, holidays) for an academic year, approved by the Rector and publicly available.

Study credit (credit) – unit of a study subject which measures learning outcomes and student workload. 1 600 hours of one academic year corresponds to 60 credits.

Study module – a part of a study programme consisting of several content-related subjects and taught by several teachers. It has a defined objective and is oriented towards the competences of a study subject (learning outcomes) and aims. The volume of a study module is 5, 10, 15, 20 or more credits. The duration of one module is no longer than an academic year, 2 consecutive semesters.

Study module (subject) description – a document containing the module (subject) name, aims, learning outcomes, reference list, study methods, evaluation methods, themes, student contact hours and self-study time, assignments, evaluation strategy and criteria.

Study programme – content of studies of a certain field, methods and material resources, academic and professional staff required for studies and their description.

Study Programme Committee – a group appointed by the Rector's decree to supervise the implementation of a study programme, assess its quality and renew. The study programme committee consists of the director of a study programme, study programme coordinators, an international study programme coordinator, student representatives, employers and other representatives of social partners.

Non-degree studies – studies intended to retrain persons, develop their qualifications and improve professional skills.

State-funded studies – studies, funded from the state budget.

State non-funded studies – studies paid for by the student himself. A full tuition fee shall be paid by:

- 1) persons admitted to all modes and all cycles of studies who agree to pay a full tuition fee;
- 2) persons repeatedly studying in the same cycle or lower cycle of studies, if more than a half of the credits of the study programme were paid from the state budget except the cases indicated by the Government;
- 3) persons studying in two or more degrees awarding study programmes of the same cycle at the same time or in non-degree programmes if at least one of the study programmes is paid from the state budget (a person pays for the second and the following study programmes);
- 4) foreign students if it is not stated otherwise by international agreements of the Republic of Lithuania or other legal acts. Tuition fee, proportional to the subject (module) volume, shall be paid by: 1) unclassified students; 2) persons repeatedly studying separate subjects of a study programme, 3) students additionally studying voluntarily selected subjects of other study programmes or specializations.

II. STUDY SYSTEM

2.1. Cycles and modes of studies

2.1.1. Studies at the University are carried out according to degree and non-degree study programmes.

2.1.3. Degree studies consist of three cycles: 1) the first cycle (undergraduate) – Bachelor’s degree studies; 2) the second cycle (graduate) – Master’s degree studies; 3) the third cycle of studies (postgraduate) – doctoral studies.

2.1.3.1. First cycle study programmes provide universal general education, theoretical preparation and professional capacity, essential for individual work. On completion of these studies, students are awarded a Bachelor’s degree in a corresponding study field(s) or a Bachelor’s degree and a qualification.

2.1.3.2. Second cycle study programmes are designed to prepare for independent research work or any other work the performance of which requires scientific knowledge and analytical competence. On completion of these studies, students are awarded a Master’s degree.

2.1.3.3. Third cycle study programmes are designed to prepare scientists able to carry out research individually and experimental (social, cultural) development work and solve scientific problems. Third cycle study programmes are carried out in compliance with Regulation on Doctoral Studies approved by the Government and Regulation on Joint Doctoral Studies. A Research Doctoral degree is awarded to a person who has successfully completed a doctoral degree programme in full-time or part-time mode of studies, defended a dissertation or to a person who has defended equivalency dissertation. On defence of a dissertation, students are awarded a Doctor’s degree.

2.1.4. The mode of degree studies can be full-time and part-time. The modes of studies differ in intensity (duration of studies), but not the content of studies or requirements. Therefore, irrespective of the study mode, the acquired education in both cases is equivalent.

2.1.4.1. In full-time studies, theoretical and practical modules (subjects) are taught in classrooms (gyms) and laboratories during the day or in the evening; they cannot last more than 8 hours a day. Self-study time is planned by a student himself/ herself in a way to be able to take examinations at the time set in a study module (subject) programme.

2.1.4.2. In part-time studies, theoretical and practical modules (subjects) go in cycles according to academic calendar composed by faculty deans and approved by the Rector. Theoretical and practical subjects are studied independently. Distance learning is recommended.

2.1.4.3. In exceptional cases, module (subject) studies may be conducted more intensively, i.e. a study module (subject) may be studied every day and completed in a few weeks.

2.2. Study programmes, their structure, extent and length

2.2.1. University study programmes are developed in compliance with study fields approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, descriptions of study fields approved by the Ministry of Education and Science; if there are no such documents, the programmes are developed in compliance with legal acts of the Republic of Lithuania.

2.2.2 Study programmes are developed by teacher and researcher work groups in accordance with Lithuanian Sports University Provisions on Academic Quality Assurance, approved by the Senate, general requirement description of general university education, foreign language, reflection, practice and final thesis concept implementation. The programmes are evaluated by the Senate Study Committee and approved by the University Senate.

2.2.3. Studies at the University are conducted in compliance with study programmes approved by the University Senate and registered according to the procedures defined by legal acts of the Republic of Lithuania.

2.2.4. First cycle study programmes

2.2.4.1. The extent of the first cycle study programme in one field of studies is not less than 210 and not more than 240 credits, of which:

2.2.4.1.1. Study field subjects shall make no less than 165 credits.

2.2.4.1.2. General university study subjects shall make no less than 15 credits.

2.2.4.1.3. Subjects selected by students and set by the University shall make no more than 60 credits. The subjects are intended for deeper specialization in the same field, module(s) or subject(s) of other field of studies, general university education subjects, practice, and optional subjects selected by a student.

2.2.4.2. First cycle study programmes may be of principal and related field of study.

2.2.4.2.1. The University may carry out double degree programmes and award double Bachelor's degrees in those fields of studies where accredited study programmes are conducted.

2.2.4.2.2. If the University does not carry out an accredited study programme of a certain field of study, double degree programmes are carried out in compliance with the procedures set out by the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Lithuania.

2.2.4.3. Extent of a double degree study programme, on completion of which a student is awarded a double Bachelor's degree, is 240 credits, of which:

2.2.4.3.1. Principal study field subjects shall make no less than 165 credits.

2.2.4.3.2. Subjects of the related field of study shall make 60 credits.

2.2.4.3.3. General university study subjects shall make no less than 15 credits.

2.2.4.4. In the description of a study programme, on completion of which a student is awarded a double Bachelor's degree, alternatives set by the University shall be indicated: procedure and principles of the selection of studies of the related field of study or a detailed list of study fields (or one study field). The Senate of the University approves requirements for double degree studies.

2.2.4.5. The University can organize the study process so that students can acquire two Bachelor's Degrees in different fields of studies studying in two parallel programmes. In this case, subjects of the first field of study shall make at least 165 credits, and not corresponding subjects of the second field shall make no less than 135 credits, if other subjects in both fields conform.

2.2.4.6. The length of full-time first cycle studies in one field at the University is 3,5 or 4 years, double degree programme studies last for 4 years. The length of part-time studies is not more than one and a half times longer.

2.2.5. Second cycle study programmes

2.2.5.1. The extent of the second cycle study programme is not less than 90 and not more than 120 credits, of which:

2.2.5.2. Study field subjects shall make no less than 60 credits; in terms of content, the subjects shall be of a higher academic qualitative problematic and innovative level than the subjects of the first cycle of studies;

2.2.5.3. Subjects selected by students and set by the University shall make no more than 30 credits depending on the type of a study programme and intended to prepare for doctoral studies (research, practical activities (professional practice)) or subjects of other fields, when a study programme the aims of which are related to inter-field studies is carried out; also subjects of general university studies and subjects selected by students, necessary to achieve the aims of a study programme;

2.2.5.4. Preparation of a final thesis and its defence or final project and final examination (final examinations, if set by international legal acts or legal acts of the Republic of Lithuania) shall make no less than 30 credits.

2.2.5.5. The length of full-time second cycle studies at the University is 1,5 or 2 years. The length of part-time studies is not more than one and a half times longer.

2.2.6. Bridge courses

2.2.6.1. The extent of bridge courses, the list of study modules and the content of studies shall be determined by the University Senate:

2.2.6.1.1. The extent of bridge courses shall not make more than 60 credits when a selected field of Master degree studies and the field of studies of the completed Bachelor degree studies belong to the same group of study fields;

2.2.6.1.2. The extent of bridge courses shall not make more than 90 credits when a selected field of Master degree studies and the field of studies of the completed Bachelor degree studies belong to different groups of study fields.

2.2.7. Third cycle study programmes

2.2.7.1. The extent of Doctoral degree studies shall be not less than 30 credits.

2.2.7.2. Doctoral degree studies shall be comprised of not less than four study subjects; two compulsory study subjects and two subjects shall be selected by academic supervisor having regard to

the specifics of the research. At least one optional subject shall be from subjects taught in other Joint Doctoral institutions.

2.2.8. Other study options offered by the University are designed to qualification improvement or change, to supplement the acquired education or accumulate credits according to separately selected study modules (subjects). Having accumulated the amount of credits of a qualification degree, the Study Programme Committee can make a decision to confer a corresponding qualification on the basis of the evidence provided.

2.2.9. The extent of university studies is calculated in credits which measure learning outcomes and student workload.

2.2.10. Official length of a programme is calculated in years. 1600 hours of academic year correspond to 60 credits. One credit amounts to 26 student or unclassified student working hours.

2.2.11. The extent, length, methods and forms of a certain study programme are defined in study programme descriptions approved by the University Senate.

2.2.12. Usual extent of one year of a full-time study programme is 60 credits, but not less than 45 credits.

2.2.13. Usual extent of one year of a part-time study programme shall be not more than 45 credits; the length of part-time studies shall be not more than one and a half times longer, amounting to 60 credits.

2.2.14. Joint study programmes

2.2.14.1. The University may deliver joint degree programmes on completion of which a joint degree is awarded; it also may carry out study programmes so that graduates receive a double degree.

2.2.14.2. Joint qualification degree is awarded when studies are carried out by at least two higher education institutions, usually from different countries.

2.2.14.3. The main purpose of a joint study programme is to provide students a possibility to acquire more knowledge, skills and experience than a study programme carried out by one institution may offer. A joint study programme with foreign higher education institution(s) is developed and carried out to give opportunity to students and teachers from different countries to study and teach in a different academic and cultural environment.

2.2.14.4. A joint study programme is developed and carried out in order to ensure on-going study quality improvement in higher education institutions, facilitate diploma recognition procedures, pursue higher education transparency and consistency, promote international inter-institutional and interdisciplinary collaboration, expand employment opportunities for graduates in Lithuania and abroad.

2.2.14.5. Joint study programmes are developed, assessed and (or) accredited, enacted and implemented in compliance with legal acts of the states of partner higher education institutions. Joint study programmes are developed and carried out in accordance with joint study programme delivery agreements signed by the University and partner higher education institutions. The agreement shall be compatible with legal acts of the Republic of Lithuania and partner countries. This agreement shall provide a legal basis for the creation of new joint programmes.

2.2.14.6. Joint study programme shall be started after it has been legalised in all countries-partners where the programme is to be delivered.

2.2.14.7. The extent of studies in a joint degree programme at the University shall make no less than 40 % of the extent of the whole study programme (10 % of which may be comprised of virtual mobility).

2.2.14.8. Academic achievements of a student studying in a joint degree programme shall be credited automatically in partner higher education institutions.

2.2.14.9. The description of a joint degree programme shall be presented in languages of instruction of partner higher education institutions.

2.2.14.10. Representatives of all joint degree awarding institutions shall take part in final project and (or) final examination evaluation committee.

2.2.14.11. On completion of a joint study programme, graduates are awarded a joint qualification degree in compliance with the procedures defined by the University and partner higher education institutions. A person who has completed a joint study programme delivered in different countries, one diploma certifying qualification degree or two or more national diplomas shall be issued. Two or more partner higher education institutions in compliance with legal acts of their countries shall issue the

diplomas. A diploma supplement shall be issued together with the diploma in the Lithuanian and English languages; upon the agreement of a partner higher education institution, other foreign language(s) may be used.

2.2.14.12. A person who has completed a joint study programme delivered only by Lithuanian higher education institutions, one diploma certifying higher education qualification shall be issued.

2.3. Study programme development, supervision and renewal

2.3.1. Study programmes are regularly updated and improved; they must comply with the general and specific requirements laid down in cycle and field (field group, area) descriptions, unless special requirements are confirmed.

2.3.2. Approved by the Senate, accredited and registered in the state study programme register study programme supervision, evaluation and renewal is carried out by the study programme committee in compliance with the Lithuanian Sports University Provision on Academic Quality Assurance, approved by the Senate.

2.3.3. Programme renewal may be initiated by the University departments, deans, social partners, Vice Rectors, Study Programme Committee, students, etc.

2.3.4. Study programmes are renewed and developed in accordance with the law of the European Union and the law of the Republic of Lithuania

2.3.5. The study programme shall be periodically updated. The changes to the study programme shall be published on the website of the University. If two or more study programmes are combined or the study programme is assigned to another field of study, the study programme is assessed and accredited in accordance with the Description of the Procedure for External Evaluation and Accreditation of Study Programmes.

2.3.6. New study programmes shall be developed by the University departments, teachers, researchers, students and employers. The development of new study programs is regulated by Lithuanian Sports University Provision on Academic Quality Assurance.

2.3.8. New study programmes shall be developed having evaluated the need of the programme to the public and the labour market, study programme compliance with the University mission and strategy, their place among other university study programmes, programme aims, general and subject competences, professional activity opportunities, options of programme implementation - human and material resources, and feedback of social partners.

2.4. Study modules (applied to students admitted to LSU on 1 September 2012 or later)

2.4.1. Study programmes consist of study modules. Only study modules certified in compliance with the Study Module Certification Procedure may be delivered at the University. Study programme Committees carry out the initial study module certification. The Faculty Academic Quality Supervision Committee certifies a study module not later than a year after its introduction in the study programme.

2.4.2. A study module is a part of a study programme consisting of some content-related subjects and taught by several teachers; it has a defined aim and is oriented towards the competences (learning outcomes) indicated by the study programme.

2.4.3. Study modules of the first and second cycle of studies shall be compulsory and optional.

2.4.3.1. Compulsory study modules are the basis of education in the selected study field.

2.4.3.2. Optional study modules ensure general university education and supplement education in the selected study field. Students shall select these modules from the list provided according to the rules.

2.4.4. Study modules of the first and second cycles of studies according to their content shall be of general university education and of study field (branch).

2.4.4.1. Modules of general university education are those developing general erudition and world outlook; they are the basis of general university education. General university education studies are inclusive, allowing the formation of a wide range of students' horizons, self-image, the development of general education, comprehensive erudition, and familiarity with a wide range of science, art and other areas.

2.4.4.2. The aim of general university education modules is to develop tolerant, broad-minded, creative and socially responsible members of the society who are able to reflect on the challenges of the changing world.

- 2.4.4.3. Students select general university education modules of a set volume from the list of study modules common to all students.
- 2.4.4.4. Study field (branch) modules are modules providing the knowledge in the selected field of studies and developing competences required for individual research and professional activities.
- 2.4.4.5. There are two types of study field (branch) modules: fundamental modules and specialization (subject-related) modules.
- 2.4.4.5.1. Fundamental modules make the basis of education in the study field. Fundamental modules set by the Study Programme Committee can be offered as a programme for double degree programmes to the students of other study field programmes who want to obtain a double qualification degree.
- 2.4.4.5.2. Specialization modules are intended to deepen specialization knowledge in the same field of study or in its branch.
- 2.4.5. Study modules shall be divided into A, B, C and D groups.
- 2.4.5.1. Group A of the first cycle of studies shall include general university education modules comprising introduction to studies and student world outlook formation. Group A of the second cycle of studies shall include general university education modules involving the scientific development review modules. Modules belonging to group A shall be offered and described by department teachers, certified in compliance with the certification procedure of study modules by the Senate Study Committee, and approved by the Senate.
- 2.4.5.2. Group B involves general university education study modules, covering introductory modules of a variety of disciplines and fields. All university students who have not studied the modules offered as compulsory subjects can select group B study modules. Modules belonging to group B shall be offered and described by department teachers, certified by the Senate Study Committee, and approved by the Senate.
- 2.4.5.3. Group C involves study field modules. Modules belonging to group C shall be offered and described by department teachers, certified by the Faculty Academic Quality Supervision Committee, and approved by the Senate.
- 2.4.5.4. Group include the modules of special education. Modules belonging to group D shall be offered and described by department teachers, certified by the Faculty Academic Quality Supervision Committee, and approved by the Senate.
- 2.4.6. A study module covers various forms of study implementation: lectures, exercises, laboratory work, seminars, consultations, student self-study, and research work.
- 2.4.7. The main unit of a study module, and at the same time of the extent of the whole study programme, is a credit. The volume of each study module shall be not less than 5 credits, but can amount to 10, 15, 20, etc., credits.
- 2.4.8. The length of one module shall be no longer than one academic year, 2 consecutive semesters.
- 2.4.9. One credit of the first and second cycle of studies covers 26 student work hours, one year amounts to 1600 student working hours.
- 2.4.10. The number of modules studied in one semester shall not be bigger than 7 (first cycle of studies) or 5 (second cycle of studies). Practice is a separate study module, included into the number of modules.
- 2.4.11. Studies of every module shall be completed by an examination or assessment of student individual work (project).
- 2.4.12. Competences acquired by students studying a module shall be evaluated in a ten-point system in compliance with Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on Student Academic Achievement Evaluation, approved by the Senate.

2.5. Study subjects (applied to students admitted to LSU on 1 September 2011 or earlier)

- 2.5.1. Study programmes consist of study subjects. Only study subjects certified in compliance with the Study Module (Subject) Certification Procedure may be delivered at the University.
- 2.5.2. Study subject is the basic planning unit, which consists of individual study object.
- 2.5.3. In the University degree programmes, study subjects according to their status are divided into compulsory, optional and alternative.

2.5.4. Study modules of the first and second cycles of studies according to their content shall be of general university education and fundamentals of a study programme and specialization subjects.

2.5.5. A study subject covers various forms of study implementation: lectures, exercises, laboratory work, seminars, consultations, student self-study, and research work.

2.5.6. The main unit of a study module, and at the same time of the extent of the whole study programme, is a credit. The volume of each study module shall be not less than 2 credits and may change by one or more credits.

2.5.7. 1 study credit of the first and second cycles of studies comprises 40 student working hours (in classrooms, laboratories, self-study time, etc.), i.e. one working week.

2.5.8. Competences acquired by students studying a module shall be evaluated in a ten-point system in compliance with Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on Student Academic Achievement Evaluation, approved by the Senate.

2.5.9. The number of modules studied in one semester shall not be bigger than 7 (first cycle of studies) or 5 (second cycle of studies). Practice is a separate study module, included into the number of modules.

2.5.10. Studies of every module shall be completed by an examination or assessment of student individual work (project).

2.6. Teaching (learning) methods

2.6.1. Student workload involves contact hours and self-study time.

2.6.2. Contact hours shall be studies (lectures, seminars, laboratory work, practicums, consultations), organized with the presence of a teacher. Contact hours are calculated in academic hours (45 min).

2.6.3. Self-study time is devoted to preparation to contact hours. It is individual learning to fulfil the requirements of a study module (subject).

2.6.4. The University shall apply the following forms of study course delivery:

2.6.4.1. Lecture - a consistent, comprehensive and well-grounded presentation of the topic studied; it stimulates interest in the study module (subject), develops independent thinking and scientific views to the reality.

2.6.4.2. Seminar - a teaching (learning) technique for organization of individual work and analysis of the results.

2.6.4.3. Laboratory work - teaching (learning) techniques when testing and research consolidate skills acquired during studies.

2.6.4.4. Practical works - teaching (learning) techniques when training exercises consolidate skills acquired during studies.

2.6.4.5. Consultation - a methodical help given by a teacher to students, advice to develop students' knowledge, skills and abilities.

2.6.4.6. Practice - acquiring the necessary knowledge for profession activities, training of basic functional skills and improvement during practices at vocational training institutions and workplaces. Practice is organized in accordance with the Lithuanian Sports University practice organization and implementation procedures.

2.6.5. The University uses the following study methods: group discussion, project method, role play, case studies, games, brainstorming, learning via contracts, and so on.

2.6.6. All cycles and modes of study programmes can be provided through distance learning. Distance learning is a teaching (learning) approach, based on modern information and communication technology in remote environments. Distance learning takes place in compliance with the Lithuanian Sports University procedure on organization of distance and combined learning, approved by the Senate of the University.

2.6.7. Lectures at the University shall be organized in academic groups (35 students). For laboratory work, seminars, practices groups can be divided into sub-groups (up to 18 students). Those study modules (subjects) where a group of students is divided into sub-groups for practices, seminars, or laboratory work or when a group is appointed two teachers, shall be approved by the Rector.

2.6.8. Teaching of optional modules in the first cycle general university education module groups is planned only if the module (subject) is selected by at least 50 students.

2.6.9. Teaching of alternative modules (subjects) in the first cycle study fundamentals and specialization module groups is planned only if the module (subject) is selected by at least 25 students.

2.6.10. Teaching of alternatives and optional modules (subjects) is planned only if the module (subject) is selected by at least 10 students (exception – study programmes, which accepted fewer than 10 students).

2.6.11. Students are free to choose the appropriate volume of studies from modules (subjects) taught at the University, and (or) other universities individually including them in the already existing groups. Separate groups for learning optional subjects are planned only if not less than 25 students in a group in the first cycle of studies and 10 in the second cycle of studies select the module.

Ratio of contact hours (lectures, practicums, laboratory work) and self-study time in one credit (26 hours) for different forms of study organization in study programmes, approved after 1 June 2012:

2.6.12.1. In the first year full-time and part-time studies of the first cycle of studies: 20 - 35 % of contact hours.

2.6.12.2. In full-time and part-time studies of the second cycle of studies: 10 - 15 % of contact hours.

2.6.12.3. In full-time and part-time studies of the second cycle of studies: up to 20 % of contact hours.

III. ADMISSION OF STUDENTS AND UNCLASSIFIED STUDENTS

3.1. Students and unclassified students shall be admitted to the University study programmes by the Rector. The admission of students and unclassified students is organized and carried out by representatives of the administration authorized by the Rector.

3.2. Conditions and rules of admission to the first cycle study programmes shall be approved by the Senate having regard to the proposals of the Study Programme Committees. Rules of admission to the first cycle studies in accordance with the Government shall be publicized not later than two years prior to admission.

3.3. Rules of admission to the second cycle study programmes shall be approved by the Senate having regard to the proposals of the Study Programme Committees.

3.4. Tuition fees and student position number shall be approved by the University Council having regard to the proposals of the Senate and possibilities to ensure the quality of studies and research.

3.5. Admission to joint degree programmes shall be carried out in compliance with the agreement of the universities delivering the programme in compliance with the rules of admission of the countries-partners.

3.6. Admission to Doctoral studies is carried out in compliance with Doctoral Regulations and Joint Doctoral Regulations approved by the Government to joint doctoral institutions according to the annual quotas allocated by the Ministry of Education and Science.

3.7. Persons who have at least secondary education shall be admitted to the first cycle study programmes conferring a degree on a competitive basis.

3.8. Persons who have completed first cycle university studies or first cycle studies and bridge courses and meet the requirements set out by the University shall be admitted to second cycle studies on competitive basis.

3.9. Bridge courses for applicants who want to join second cycle study programmes shall be organized in the following cases:

3.9.1. A person has a higher college education in the same field of study, except the cases set forth by the University Senate, when for a person joining a certain degree programme after completion of certain college studies it is sufficient to have practical activity experience of a certain duration and type;

3.9.2. The selected field of Master degree studies does not coincide with the completed first cycle study field, except the cases set forth by the University Senate, when for a person joining a certain degree programme after completion of first cycle university studies it is sufficient to have practical activity experience of a certain duration and type.

3.9.3. On completion of bridge courses, a person shall be issued an academic certificate granting the right to participate in the admission competition to relevant postgraduate programme.

3.9.4. A person who has taken bridge courses but for various reasons did not complete them, an academic certificate testifying the studied and positively evaluated modules (subjects) shall be issued.

3.10. Students shall be admitted to state-funded and not funded by the state positions on competitive basis according to the fields of study, cycles and modes. Unclassified students may apply only to the

positions not funded by the state. Unclassified students and students studying in the positions not funded by the state shall pay a tuition fee established by the Council every semester.

3.11. Applicants to state-funded first cycle study programmes shall be admitted having regard to the criteria set out in the procedures of ranking the best graduates of the secondary education programme approved by the Ministry of Education and Science.

3.12. The number of state-funded study places in the second-cycle studies shall be established by the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania in accordance with science and (or) study fields and modes.

3.13. The number of state-funded study places in the third-cycle studies shall be established by the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania in accordance with science and (or) study fields and modes.

3.14. Admission of students and unclassified students shall be executed by the order of the Rector.

3.15. A study agreement, the format of which has been approved by the Rector's order, shall be signed with the students who have been admitted to the University.

3.16. Foreign students can study at the University if they have recognized not lower than secondary education and a permit for temporary or permanent residence in the Republic of Lithuania.

3.17. Admission of persons educated in foreign institutions, as well as children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren of expatriates shall be determined according to the current laws of the Republic of Lithuania and legal acts.

3.18. Admission of unclassified students:

3.18.1. The admission of unclassified students shall be organized and carried out by representatives of the administration authorized by the Rector having regard to the number of study positions approved by the University Council.

3.18.2. Admission of unclassified students shall be executed by the order of the Rector not later than 1 September and respectively 1 February.

3.18.3. An unclassified student who studies separate study modules (subjects) concludes an agreement of a set form approved by the Rector each semester. The agreement contains study conditions, study modules (subjects) and obligations of a student and the University.

3.18.4. A person who wants to study separate study modules (subjects) shall submit the following documents to the faculty dean from 15 August to 25 August or from 15 January to 25 January (depending on a semester): an application, 2 photos, a copy of a secondary education certificate or Bachelor's diploma.

3.19. Admission to the upper year at the University:

3.19.1. The following persons can be admitted to upper year (starting from year 2) on a competitive basis when there are vacant positions:

3.19.1.1. Persons who have studied in other institutions of higher education or after termination of studies at the University;

3.19.1.2. Persons who have not defended their final thesis (not later than two years or in cases when a study programme was not changed) can be admitted to the final year;

3.19.1.3. Persons having a Professional Bachelor's degree can be admitted to a shorter study programme, approved by the Senate.

3.19.2. When admitting to an upper year, subjects of a studied degree programme may be accredited. Accrediting is performed by the study programme director, approved by the dean in compliance with the Procedure on academic result of other higher education institution accrediting approved by the Ministry of Education and Science as well as Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on academic result accrediting.

3.19.3. Students can join the selected study programme if, after the accrediting of study results, the volume of unstudied modules (subjects) is not bigger than 15 credits. The differences between programmes are to be liquidated in one year.

3.19.4. Persons can be admitted to an upper year in compliance with Lithuanian Sports University formally or informally acquired competence recognition and assessment procedure.

3.19.5. Students shall be admitted to an upper year before 1 September and respectively 1 February following the Rector's order. The admitted students shall conclude a study agreement of a format approved by the Rector.

3.19.6. A person who wants to study in an upper year shall submit the following documents to representatives of the administration authorized by the Rector before 30 June and respectively 30 January: application, 2 photos, a copy of a secondary education certificate or Bachelor's degree diploma, and an academic certificate on the studied modules (subjects).

3.20. Admitted students shall be issued a Lithuanian student identification card of a set form.

3.21. Lithuanian student identification card is a document proving the status of a student. Student identification card entitles a student to use the material base of the University, the library, the benefits offered by local and long-distance transport and private companies.

3.22. The administration procedure of Lithuanian student identification card is set forth by the Regulations on Lithuanian student identification card approved by the Minister of the Ministry of Education and Science.

IV. STUDY PROCESS

4.1. University studies shall be organized according to the study programmes, study plans-schedules, and academic calendar.

4.2. In exceptional cases, students may study according to an individual study plan. The LSU Procedure on Individual Study Programmes approved by the Senate regulates studies according to an individual study plan.

4.3. Language of instruction

4.3.1. University studies shall be conducted in the Lithuanian language. The language of instruction is not Lithuanian when:

4.3.1.1. The content of a study programme is linked to another language.

4.3.1.2. Lectures are conducted or other academic activities are led by foreign teachers.

4.3.1.3. Studies are delivered according to joint study programmes or study programmes after completion of which a double qualification degree is awarded and a part of these studies is carried out in other countries in private higher education institutions, the language of instruction of which is not Lithuanian.

4.3.1.4. Studies are carried out according to study programmes designed for foreign students and approved by the Senate; in the case of student exchange;

4.3.1.5. In the cases not mentioned, modules (subjects) of a study programme may be delivered in other than Lithuanian language upon the decision of the Senate.

4.4. Academic calendar

4.4.1. Academic year is divided into semesters and holidays; it consists of two semesters – spring semester and autumn semester. Academic year starts on 1 September and finishes on 31 August.

4.4.2. Duration of a semester of full-time and part-time studies is 20 weeks, 4 of which are intended for examination session (weeks of student individual work may be organized as well). During the summer, students must be awarded at least one month of continuous leave.

4.4.3. Studies shall be organized as follows:

4.4.3.1. Autumn semester starts on 1 September and finishes on 31 January. Winter holidays last from 24 December to 2 January.

4.4.3.2. Spring semester starts on 1 February and finishes on 31 August. One week of spring semester is intended for Easter holidays.

4.4.3.3. In the cases provided by study programmes, placement could be organized for students not in the time of a semester.

4.5. Study schedule

4.5.1. Lectures, practicums, seminars and consultations shall be conducted according to plans – schedules composed by a responsible person nominated by the study programme director and the dean. The Rector shall approve plans-schedules.

4.5.2. The Deans, when composing plans- schedules according to study programmes approved by the Senate, can move study modules (subjects) (not more than 2 credits for students admitted not later than 2012 and not more than 5 credits for students admitted later than 2012) from one semester to another without changing the volume of studies in a year.

4.5.3. An employee of the Study Quality Assurance Centre composes a timetable according to the approved study plans-schedules and publicizes it not later than 10 days till the beginning of the semester.

4.5.4. The extent and structure of contact hours shall be set by a study programme, approved by the Senate.

4.5.5. Lectures at the University can take place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Academic activities are organized during this time, but no more than 8 hours of student work per day. Academic activities can take place on Saturdays as well.

4.5.6. The extent of contact hours of study modules (subjects) of the first cycle studies cannot exceed 32 hours per week (not more than 26 hours a week in the eighth semester), modules (subjects) of the second cycle studies – not more than 28 hours per week.

4.5.7. A representative of the administration authorized by the Rector shall compose the examination schedule of the first and second cycles of studies on the agreement between the teacher and students. The schedule shall be published not later than two weeks before the beginning of the semester:

4.5.7.1. Not less than 3 days shall be intended to prepare for an examination.

4.5.7.2. Not less than 30 calendar days shall be intended to finish final thesis and prepare for defence.

4.5.7.3. Not less than 6 days shall be intended to prepare for final examinations.

4.5.7.4. In cases when study modules (subjects) are delivered in cycles, examinations are scheduled for the end of a cycle respecting the requirements of the present paragraphs.

4.5.8. Students of the third cycle of studies study according to individual plans. All the examinations shall be taken 1,5 years after admission to doctoral studies.

4.5.8.1. A doctoral student shall be attested yearly in compliance with the Regulation on Doctoral studies. A non-certified doctoral student is expelled from doctoral studies.

4.6. Registering for studies

4.6.1. All the students of the first and second cycles of studies shall register for autumn semester not later than 15 September.

4.6.2. Individual study plans for students and unclassified students are created in academic information system not later than 1 September or 1 February.

4.6.3. Students after academic leave register for the semester not later than one week till the beginning of the semester.

4.6.4. Students returning after partial studies abroad at a higher school, or after the international practice in foreign institutions shall register for studies at a faculty in 10 workdays after the end of Erasmus studies or Erasmus practice.

4.7. Registering for study modules (subjects)

4.7.1. All the course and programme students shall be registered for compulsory study modules (subjects) in academic information system.

4.7.2. Students register for optional modules (subjects) in the academic information system not later than a deadline set by the order of the Rector. If a group of students does not amount to a certain number set forth by the Study Regulation, students shall be offered other study modules (subjects) from the list of optional subjects by a representative of the administration authorized by the Rector.

4.7.3. In exceptional cases, a student who submits a reasoned request to a representative of the administration authorized by the Rector and receives his/ her approval can unsubscribe from an optional module (subject) during the first week of the semester and choose another module (subject) from the list offered.

4.7.4. After returning from studies abroad, academic leave or continuing studies at the beginning of the semester, a student can choose an optional module (subject) only from the list of optional modules (subjects) taught.

4.8. Execution of studies

4.8.1. Study module (subject) programmes in academic information system shall be prepared by a coordinating teacher, attested by the Faculty Study Quality Supervision Centre or Study Committee in compliance with the LSU procedure on Study subject certification.

4.8.2. In the first lecture the teacher introduces the audience to the study module (subject) programme. There shall be stated aims, learning outcomes, content of the subject, volume, forms of work, methods and assessment requirements, explanations of individual work forms and methods, requirements and assessment criteria, reference list and necessary methodological indications as well as the time of teacher consultation.

4.8.3. Students must study in accordance with the study module (subject) programme requirements.

4.8.4. Participation of the first and second cycle study students and unclassified students in lectures, practicums, laboratory work and seminars is compulsory.

4.8.5. Students must be credited for all the study modules (subjects) taught during the semester.

4.8.6. Students shall be admitted to a higher course only if they have completed all the requirements for the relevant study programme or have no more than 2 academic debts.

4.8.7. A full-time student participating in sports activities shall undergo a medical check-up in the Division of Sports Medicine every semester and submit a medical certificate to the teacher of practical exercises not later than 15 September or respectively 15 February.

4.8.8. A part-time student participating in sports activities shall undergo a medical check-up in the Division of Sports Medicine or at family physician every semester and submit a medical certificate (068/a form) to the teacher of practical exercises at the beginning of the first study cycle of each semester.

4.8.9. Upon the receipt of a medical certificate the teacher notes that the student has presented it in the journal. A student who has failed to present a medical certificate is not allowed to participate in sports-related exercises neither as a participant, nor as an observer.

4.8.10. A student who is unable to participate in sports-related exercises for temporary medical conditions (short-term illness, minor injuries, etc.) and who has submitted a medical certificate to prove it (the certificate shall be endorsed by the Division of Sports Medicine), individual tasks shall be assigned. However, he/ she has to observe sports-related exercises (to the extent possible). If a student is not allowed to participate in sports activities because of medical conditions, he/ she must inform the teacher and in a week after receiving the doctor's conclusions, should contact the University Health Commission.

4.8.11. Health Commission, after examining the documents submitted by the student, makes recommendations for the Study Programme Committee on a student's ability to continue his/ her studies in the chosen study programme. The Study Programme Committee makes final decision on the studies. It introduces the decision made to the student and a representative of the administration authorized by the Rector. The activities of Health Commission are regulated by the Regulations of Health Commission.

4.8.12. A student who fell ill during the semester or session must inform the employee of the Centre for Academic Quality Supervision in 1 working day, and having recovered - to present a certificate from a medical institution on the occurrence of disease or injury to the Sports Medicine Department within 3 working days.

4.9. Study records

4.9.1. The records of first, second and third cycle of studies are carried out in the University academic information system.

4.9.2. The records of the first and second cycle studies are kept by the faculty administrator, the records of the third cycle of studies – by the specialist of the Office of Doctoral Studies and Research. The teacher evaluating the results of studies fills study report documents.

4.9.3. The main accounting document of the first and second cycle of studies is the electronic personal records maintained in accordance with the Description of electronic journal filling and administration at Lithuanian Sports University.

4.9.4. Study records are a legal basis for issuing the relevant Degree and (or) professional qualification diploma or an academic certificate.

4.9.5. Records of third cycle studies are individual doctoral study plans, reports and exam sheets.

4.10. Assessment of academic achievement

4.10.1. Assessment of student academic achievement shall be conducted periodically and systematically during the semester in accordance with the Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on Student Academic Achievement Evaluation.

4.10.2. Academic achievements of the University students and unclassified students shall be assessed during examinations in compliance with academic achievement assessment system approved by the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Lithuania (in a range from 1 to 10 points); every point is based on clear evaluation criteria linked to the learning outcomes of a study module (subject).

4.10.3. Academic achievements are recorded in the following documents: student's written work, electronic personal statement, electronic plan of study, and thesis or exam assessment report. Student works proving student academic achievement shall be stored:

4.10.4. Written works or interim examination sheets are stored by the teacher for one year;

4.10.5. Term papers, final thesis of the first or second cycle of studies or its electronic copy shall be stored by a representative of the administration authorized by the Rector or the director of the study programme for three years.

4.11. Extension of the session

4.11.1. A representative of the administration authorized by the Rector can extend the time for taking examinations for students and unclassified students for a period not longer than a month since the beginning of a new semester in the following cases:

4.11.1.1. For students who have signed athlete agreements with Lithuanian Sports University; for elite athletes, the list of which is submitted by the Student Sport and Leisure Centre and approved by the Rectorate in the first month of the semester;

4.11.1.2. For students and unclassified students in case of illness if a disease or injury proof has been submitted to the Sports Medicine Department (a student who fell ill during the semester or session must inform the employee of the Centre for Academic Quality Supervision and having recovered - to present a certificate from a medical institution on the occurrence of disease or injury to the Sports Medicine Department within 3 working days. In other case, application on the extension of the session shall not be discussed);

4.11.1.3. Due to other particularly serious reasons. In this case, a student or an unclassified student shall take examinations organised by the examination committee.

4.11.2. When the student's examination session is extended, but due to important documented reasons the examination is not taken during the extended session, the exam shall not be taken in the current academic year. This student is entitled to an academic leave for the above-mentioned important reasons.

4.11.3. In case of an extension of the session, a student is recorded in the student register, and an unclassified student gets an extension of his/ her study agreement. Procedure on student academic achievement comparison is specified by the Procedure on averaging the results of the study, comparison, and student rotation approved by the order of the Rector.

4.12. Appeals on the assessment of learning outcomes

4.12.1. If a student or an unclassified student is unsatisfied with the evaluation of the examination, he/she has a right to address the Examination Appeal Committee by a motivated letter not later than in two days after the evaluation was made public; in case of procedural violations – no later than the next working day following the day of the examination.

4.12.2. The Examination Appeal Committee shall be formed by the Dean of the faculty. It shall consist of three members, one of them shall be a student representative. The activities of the Examination Appeal Committee are regulated by the Regulation of the Examination Appeal Committee. The Committee shall review the examination papers and provide an assessment within 24 hours. The Committee decision is final.

4.13. While the Examination Appeal Committee has not provided its decision, a student is not a subject to any decisions related to the study results discussed.

4.14. Academic debts and their liquidation

- 4.14.1. An academic debt is an examination which was failed twice and works not defended till the time specified (term papers, project work, papers).
- 4.14.2. Students shall be dismissed:
- 4.14.2.1. if they have more than two academic debts;
- 4.14.2.2. if they fail to prepare or defend final thesis.
- 4.14.3. After paying the fee set forth by the Council, students with academic debts can:
- 4.14.3.1. Take the study module (subject) course with another group of students; in repeating the module (subject), student's positive interim examination results may be accredited and he/ she shall repeat only those parts that were evaluated negatively. A final examination cannot be accredited. While planning repeating of a study module (subject), a teacher shall fill a card of a repeated study module (subject) that shall be marked with the credited module (subject) parts.
- 4.14.3.2. Take the examination of a study module externally during the first month of autumn or spring semester.
- 4.14.3.3. Prepare and defend final thesis again.
- 4.14.4. Academic debts for unclassified students shall not be recorded. For the studies of a failed study module (subject) they shall conclude a new agreement with the University.
- 4.14.5. Negative evaluations shall not be included in the diploma supplement or academic certificate.

4.15. Transfer of students in state funded positions

- 4.15.1. The procedure and terms of state non-funded and state-funded positions and averaging academic results are specified in Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on averaging the results of the study, comparison, and student rotation.
- 4.15.2. State-funded student after each year of study is involved in periodic checking of the knowledge and loses state funding for studies if the weighted average of the results of studies in the relevant period is more than 20 percentage points lower than the weighted average of the results of the same year students of corresponding university degree and form of studies (state-funded and state non-funded positions). Study weighted average of a state-funded student and the course is calculated from all programme module (subject) assessment, taking into account the number of credits.
- 4.15.3. A student who has lost a state-funded position is given a possibility to study in a state non-funded position starting from the next semester paying a tuition fee which amounts to the cost of studies of the year of student's admission to the University.
- 4.15.4. After a student loses a state-funded position, the vacant position is given to a student of the same study programme and mode of studies studying in a state non-funded position with the best academic results in compliance with Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on averaging the results of the study, comparison, and student rotation.
- 4.15.5. A student who has lost a state-funded position shall conclude a new agreement with the University, which shall come into force on 1 October of the current year.
- 4.15.6. Student transfer to a state non-funded position shall be executed by the Rector's order. Student transfer is carried out before 1 October of the current year.
- 4.15.7. The priority of students with the same weighted average who aspire for a state-funded position shall be established on the basis of weighted grade point average of the previous sessions, and if it coincides - the entrance results.
- 4.15.8. Students indicated in Paragraph 72 of the Law on Higher Education and Research shall not be transferred to state-funded positions:
- 4.15.8.1. Re-enrolled in the same or lower level degree programme, if they have previously studied in more than a half of the programme credits which were funded by the state budget;
- 4.15.8.2. Simultaneously enrolled in two or more degree programmes of the same cycle of studies, if at least one of them is funded by the state budget;
- 4.15.8.3. Citizens of foreign countries, except children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of expatriates who are additionally funded, the concept of which is defined in the Law on Higher Education and Research of the Republic of Lithuania; also foreigners from the European Union Member States and other European Economic Area countries if the international treaties and other laws of the Republic of Lithuania do not state otherwise.

V. ACADEMIC MOBILITY

5.1. Students may change their study programme to the degree programme of the same field of study in the same or another institution of higher education without changing the type of the programme (university studies); they can modify the mode of the same cycle study programme, study location and status.

5.1.1. Students carrying out a study programme can change the mode of their studies to another mode of the same cycle studies, if the University delivers a study programme of that mode. The change of a mode of studies shall be approved by the Rector on the request of the student and approval of the Dean. The mode of studies shall be changed before the beginning of the semester.

5.1.2. Students may change their study programme to the degree programme of the same field of study in the same or another institution of higher education without changing the type of the programme (university studies) not earlier than after completion of the first semester of the first year studies. Study funding are dealt with according to the law:

5.1.2.1. A person whose studies are funded by the State in accordance with the Government, has the right to change the study programme in the same study area, without losing the rest of the state funding, not bigger than the standard tuition cost.

5.1.2.2. A student willing to change a study programme, has to complete the semester without academic debts and address the dean of the University faculty in a written form and the administering department of another higher education institution not later than 10 days prior to the beginning of a new semester.

5.1.3. For a student willing to change a study programme, interim study results may be credited (not more than 75 % of the extent of the desired study programme of the first or second cycle of studies).

5.1.4. Study results shall be credited if they correspond to formal (volume of subject, its level) and subject (study aims and content) requirements in accordance with the Procedure on crediting academic results approved by the Senate.

5.1.5. Persons willing to have their academic achievement to be credited, submits an application and documents on academic achievement to the Dean; if required – study module (subject) descriptions as well.

5.1.6. A student shall be allowed to study in a selected study programme if, after crediting academic achievements, not more than 15 credits of study modules (subjects) remain unstudied. The differences shall be liquidated in one year.

5.1.7. Study Programme Committee may provide additional conditions for the change of a study programme. The Study Committee shall approve the conditions.

5.1.8. A student changing the programme, upon the consent to study under another programme of study in another higher education institution notifies the administrator of the University faculty within 3 working days.

5.1.9. The change of a study programme changing higher education institution is documented through termination of an existing contract and signing of a new study contract; without changing the higher education institution – through the replacement of the existing contract.

5.1.10. An unclassified student may become a student through a competition, if there are vacant positions in the study programme and course. An unclassified student shall submit an application to the Dean of the faculty on admission to studies in the status of a student before 25 August or 25 January. The decision shall be made respectively before 1 September or 1 February.

5.1.11. University students can study in other Universities at the same time; students of other universities can study at Lithuanian Sports University.

5.1.12. Student exchange between institutions of higher education is carried out on the basis of cooperation agreements. Students from other universities shall be issued an academic certificate on the modules (subjects) studied at the University. University students having chosen separate modules (subjects) in other universities, submit academic certificates to the faculty administrator.

5.1.13. When students do not study as exchange students, and the students themselves choose the partial studies in a higher education institution, they have to pay tuition fee set by the higher education institution. Students of other higher education institutions who come to study certain programme subjects, sign an agreement of an unclassified student and pay a tuition fee determined by the Senate.

Academic certificate of Lithuanian Sports University shall be issued for students who have completed part of a programme indicated in the agreement.

5.1.14. An individual study programme may be composed for a student who has left for studies in a foreign university under Erasmus programme. In this case, programme modules may be changed into the modules offered by a higher education institution of another country. Individual study programme coordinator, the director of a study programme and the Dean advise students on the issues of individual study plans.

5.1.15. If an individual study programme for a student who has left for studies in a foreign university has not been composed, partial studies in compliance with higher education programmes in a foreign country (if the university is accredited by legal acts of the country) are accredited by the international study programme coordinator and approved by the Dean. Academic debts for the period of partial studies are not recorded 2 consecutive semesters, and a scholarship may be granted according to the results of the previous session.

5.1.16. A person who has studied in other universities may be admitted to the university study programmes of the same field of studies. The Rector shall admit students from other universities on the approval of the Dean; the accredited modules (subjects) shall be indicated as well as the amount of differences to be liquidated after paying the tuition fee indicated by the Senate.

5.1.17. A doctoral student may carry out research or study for a certain time in other Lithuanian or foreign higher education institutions. This period shall be included in the total study duration and the scholarship shall be paid.

5.2. Termination, interruption, renewal, and relocation of studies

5.2.1. Studies shall be terminated and a student or unclassified student shall lose his/ her student/ unclassified student status by the Rector's order indicating the reason for exclusion:

5.2.1.1. on request of a student to terminate studies;

5.2.1.2. due to academic failures;

5.2.1.3. for not registering for the study after academic leave;

5.2.1.4. due to dishonest behaviour at the time of examination evaluation;

5.2.1.5. due to objective reasons;

5.2.1.6. due to failure to comply with financial obligations to the University;

5.2.1.7. due to noncompliance with the agreement;

5.2.1.8. due to gross violation of or general moral standards or academic ethics;

5.2.1.9. due to the change of a study programme (relocation of studies);

5.2.1.10. due to emigration.

5.2.1.11. due to violation of the laws of the Republic of Lithuania.

5.2.2. Persons removed from the University student lists may apply to the Dispute Resolution Committee in two working days. Its decision is final.

5.2.3. Persons removed from the University student lists wishing to take back the documents and (or) to obtain an academic certificate, shall account with the University (for material property in the library, dormitories, Student Representative Council) and the State Studies Foundation if required by legal acts.

5.2.4. Persons removed from the University student lists may renew studies at the University. In this case, a person returns to a state non-funded position.

5.2.5. Students who did not defend or failed to defend their final thesis or failed their final examinations and thus were removed from the student lists shall have a right to write and defend a new thesis or take final examinations not earlier than in a year (not later than in two years) having paid a fixed fee set out by the Council.

5.2.6. A progressive student studying in a state non-funded place who cannot continue studies due to important reasons shall have a right to interrupt studies and renew them for a period of time not longer than a year and not more than two times in a studying period (exception - pregnancy and maternity leave, illness). After interruption of studies, a student, having submitted all the required documents, shall be provided an academic leave which shall be documented by the Rector's order. The reason for study interruption and duration of academic leave shall be indicated. A representative of the administration authorized by the Rector shall accept applications and documents. If an academic leave is provided due to an illness, the Division of Sports Medicine shall countersign the application.

5.2.7. State-funded students retain their position when they take a student academic leave for the following reasons: illness, sports injuries, pregnancy and maternity, great sportsmanship, and social factors.

5.2.8. The duration of an academic leave due to illness, pregnancy, or maternity shall be no longer than 3 years. Due to sports activities and social factors – up to 1 year. Applications on academic leave shall not be submitted during session.

5.2.9. Academic leave due to sports activities can be provided only to the athletes of great sportsmanship, who are included into the lists approved by the Rectorate in September and February.

5.2.10. After an academic leave a student returns to the semester he has interrupted. State-funded students returning after an academic leave, if they have interrupted studies not at the beginning of the semester, do not get scholarship for that time of the semester, for which he/ she received it a year ago. A student studying by his/ her own funds, a tuition fee is not returned in case of an academic leave; after returning a student shall pay a tuition fee indicated in the agreement with the University.

5.2.11. Academic leave shall not be available to unclassified students.

5.2.12. Students may study separate study modules (subjects) as unclassified students during academic leave.

5.3. Limitations on the admission of unclassified students may not apply to elite athletes and persons with health problems by the Rector's order; deadlines for taking individual study module (subject) examinations, final thesis defence or taking final examinations may be determined.

5.3. Renewal of studies after academic leave

5.3.1. At the end of an academic leave, a student submits an application to the Dean of the faculty and registers for semester studies not later than the time indicated in the present Regulation. A student who fails to fulfil these conditions shall be removed from the list of University students.

5.3.2. A student shall liquidate significant differences of the study programme in one academic year. Later they will be considered as academic debts.

5.3.3. If there is no possibility to return to the same study programme (e.g., the programme is no longer available), a student can be admitted to another study programme. A student shall liquidate the differences of the study programmes in one academic year.

5.3.4. Students of the third cycle of studies submit an application to renew studies after an academic leave.

5.4. Scholarship

5.4.1. Scholarship is intended to promote the best studying (integrated in the research activities) and active students and provide them with targeted support.

5.4.2. Scholarship types and procedures on granting a scholarship are regulated by Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on granting a scholarship.

5.4.3. The following types of scholarship may be granted to state-funded and state non-funded students: incentive, target and nominal scholarship.

5.4.4. An incentive scholarship shall be granted to the best state-funded and state non-funded students for excellent entering or academic results and academic (study and research) achievements. Funding of incentive and target scholarships is calculated according to the number of students admitted to state-funded and state non-funded positions. The University Rector approves the amounts of scholarships for the semester having regard to the approved scholarship fund estimate.

5.4.5. Granting of target scholarships to pedagogical study programme students is regulated by the Government and Lithuanian Sports University Provision on granting target scholarships.

5.4.6. The basis and principles of granting nominal scholarships shall be described in the agreement of a certain nominal scholarship (support). A nominal scholarship (support) is paid from targeted funds received from Lithuanian and/ or foreign institutions or natural persons, indicated in the agreement of a nominal scholarship and/ or support.

5.4.7. Social student scholarship can be paid for students from the state budget funds in compliance with the order laid down by the Government.

5.4.8. A scholarship of an amount defined by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania shall be paid to students of the full-time third cycle of studies during the period of studies. The doctoral institution shall pay scholarship.

5.4.9. A scholarship shall be paid during the whole period of doctoral studies, but not longer than for 4 years. If a doctoral student terminates his/ her studies, a scholarship for this period shall not be paid.

5.4.10. A doctoral student not meeting the requirements of a doctoral study programme shall lose a scholarship.

5.5. Fees

5.5.1. Fees approved by the University Council are paid by:

5.5.1.1. Persons studying according to the study programme of the same or lower cycle of studies, which has been completed by them in a state higher education institution; if not less than half of the studies were funded by the state;

5.5.1.2. Unclassified students studying separate study modules (subjects) or their groups;

5.5.1.3. Persons studying according to two study programmes of the same cycle at the same time (they pay for one study programme by choice);

5.5.1.4. Citizens of foreign countries, if not set otherwise by international agreements of the Republic of Lithuania or the Ministry;

5.5.1.5. Persons repeating separate modules (subjects) of a study programme;

5.5.1.6. Persons studying in qualification development or other courses of non-formal education;

5.5.1.7. Persons with academic debts; persons studying for their own funds and having differences of the study plan which occurred not because an academic leave;

5.5.1.8. All the entrants;

5.5.1.9. Persons living in dormitories;

5.5.1.10. Persons who want their academic achievement of part-time studies to be credited and qualification degree and/ or qualification to be conferred;

5.5.1.11. Partial study students.

5.5.2. Pecuniary loss caused by a student to the University shall be paid in compliance with the procedures laid down by the regulatory acts of the University and the law of the Republic of Lithuania.

5.5.3. Fees paid to the Student Representative Council are regulated by separate regulatory acts of Lithuanian National Union of Students, Lithuanian Union of Student Representative Councils, the Ministry of Education and Science.

5.5.4. Fees determined by the Council shall be paid for the following documents: academic certificate (from the archive), the duplicate of a diploma, the duplicate of a diploma supplement, various forms of certificates to obtain a license, portfolio of study programme subject annotations and other documents.

5.5.5 The reduction of taxation is regulated by tuition fee and fee for living in the dormitory reduction procedure.

5.5.6. Full-time and part-time students shall pay the fees during the first month of each semester – respectively before 1 October and 1 March.

5.7. Funding of higher education

5.7.1. State budget funds are allocated to studies: to cover the cost of studies in student places which are funded by the state, to compensate a tuition fee paid by the students who achieved the best results of studies in the student places which are not funded by the state (for students studying since 2009), for targeted funding of studies, state loans or state-supported loans, social scholarships and other support.

5.7.2. The study process at the University is funded from the state budget funds, tuition fees, economic operating revenue, charities and other statutory financial sources of the Republic of Lithuania. Doctoral studies are funded from the state budget allocations, the state investment programmes and public investment project funds, income obtained as tuition fees, income from economic and research activities, services provided, funds allocated by international and foreign funds and organizations and other legally obtained funds.

5.7.3. Funds for studies and scholarships are administered in compliance with the procedures laid down by the University budget.

5.7.4. University students study in state-funded and state non-funded positions.

5.7.5. A study agreement with state-funded, state non-funded and unclassified students shall be concluded for the whole period of studies; the agreement is the basis for tuition fees.

5.7.6. Full tuition fee or its part may be paid by the employers of a student as well as other natural or legal persons.

5.7.7. Only the Rector of the University may reduce a tuition fee on the approval of the Dean in compliance with tuition fee and fee for living in the dormitory reduction procedure.

5.7.8. The following persons shall not have the right to state-funded student places or reimbursement of a tuition fee and shall pay full tuition fee: 1) persons who repeatedly study according to a study programme of the same or lower cycle, if they have acquired more than a half of the credits of that study programme with the state budget funds, with the exception of the cases provided for by the Government; 2) persons who simultaneously study according to two or more study programmes which award a degree of the same cycle or according to study programmes which do not award a degree, if their studies are financed with the state budget funds according to at least one of these study programmes (they themselves pay for the second or other study programmes); 3) foreign nationals, with the exception of the persons allocated for targeted funding by the Ministry of Education and Science, unless otherwise provided for by international agreements or other legal acts of the Republic of Lithuania. The Council on the approval of the Senate shall approve tuition fee for foreign citizens.

5.7.9. Financial support is allocated to the disabled persons at the University in compliance with the procedures laid down by the Government.

5.7.10. A person nominated by the University Rector provides information about students necessary for the calculation of the state budget funds allocated to the University in compliance with deadlines and procedures indicated in the decree of the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Lithuania.

5.7.11. The University acts as an agent in the administration of the support received from the Lithuanian State Foundation - state loans, social scholarships, and tuition reimbursement.

VI. COMPLETION OF STUDIES

6. A person is considered to have completed the University when he/ she has fulfilled all programme requirements. On completion of studies, graduates are issued a diploma and its supplement.

7. Having accounted for Bachelor's degree study programme modules (subjects), students defend the final (Bachelor) thesis and (or) take a qualification examination defined by a study programme. Final thesis (qualification examinations) shall be defended (taken) in the meeting of a Committee formed by the Rector's order. The Committee shall award Bachelor's degree and professional qualification. Requirements for preparation and defence of final thesis shall be determined by Regulation on the first cycle term paper and final thesis preparation and defence, approved by the Senate. The process and requirements for final qualification examinations shall be established by Regulation on final examinations, approved by the Senate.

8. Having accounted for a Master's degree study programme, a student shall be awarded a Master's degree by Master's Degree Programme Qualification Committee, formed by the Rector's order. Master thesis shall be defended at the meeting of the Committee. Requirements for Master's final thesis preparation and defence shall be determined by the Regulation on the Second Cycle Final Thesis Preparation and Defence, approved by the Senate.

9. Unclassified students after completion of a study programme have a right to take final examinations and (or) defend final thesis together with students and obtain a document proving academic studies (academic certificate).

10. Diplomas Cum Laude shall be issued to the first cycle students who have exceptional study results (all the evaluations of the first cycle study modules (subjects) should be not lower than "good" and the average of all evaluations not lower than 9, final thesis or (and) final examination evaluation should be not lower than "very good").

11. Diplomas Cum Laude shall be issued to the second cycle students who have exceptional study results (all the evaluations of the first cycle study modules (subjects) should be not lower than "very

good” and the average of all evaluations not lower than 9.5, final thesis evaluation should be “excellent”).

12. Academic certificates shall be issued to students who have not completed the studies and to unclassified students.

13. A certificate shall be issued to students of partial studies.

14. A document proving the completion of studies shall be issued to students who have fully accounted with the University.

15. A person who has a certain amount of credits required for a study programme, may be awarded a higher university education and a qualification conferred in compliance with the procedure laid down by the Government.

16. Research Doctoral degree may be conferred to a person who has successfully completed full-time or part-time doctoral studies, has prepared and defended a dissertation or to a person who has defended an equivalency dissertation.

VII. STUDENT RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

17.1. University students have a right:

17.1.1 Use the University classrooms, library, laboratories and other study equipment during studies.

17.1.2. Study in the chosen programme;

17.1.3. study according to an individual study plan in compliance with the procedure laid down by the University;

17.1.4. Study in more than one study programme or other subjects at the University or in another higher education institution;

17.1.5. Evaluate the quality of the study subjects regarding their teaching and study equipment and facilities; address the faculty Dean regarding the evaluation of academic achievement;

17.1.6. choose teachers if the same subject is taught by several teachers;

17.1.7. propose his/ her final thesis topic or choose from a number of the proposed topics.

17.1.8. 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.

17.1.9. apply to the University Administration for recognition of the study outcomes achieved at the University or any other Lithuanian or foreign higher education institution.

17.1.20. appeal to the University Administration or the Dispute Resolution Committee for the violations of their rights;

17.1.21. appeal to the Dean of the faculty if he/ she disagrees with the evaluation of academic achievement;

17.1.22. terminate and resume studies according to the procedures set forth by the Senate.

17.1.23. take an academic leave without losing a student status.

17.1.24. obtain information on the study process, cost and fees.

17.1.25. participate in self-governance of the University.

17.1.26. elect Student Representative Council and be elected, join other associations.

17.1.27. join clubs, societies, and student social organizations.

17.1.28. exercise the rights determined by the law, statutes of higher education institutions and other legal acts;

17.1.29. A student who has failed an examination (term paper, practice) has a right to retake the examination one time free of charge.

17.2. University students and unclassified students are obliged to:

17.2.1. Perform the tasks set forth by the study programme;

17.2.2. Act in compliance with the Law on Higher Education and Research, the University statute, the Code of Academic Ethics, Study Regulation and Regulation of Student Representative Council;

17.2.3. Carry out the Rector’s orders and follow the Deans’ instructions;

- 17.2.4. Protect the University assets;
- 17.2.5. Repay loans in compliance with the procedures set forth by legal acts;
- 17.2.6. Comply with the University values.

17.3. Appeals, complaints and disputes

- 16.3.1. The Dispute Resolution Committee of the University shall deal with disputes between the University staff and students.
- 17.3.2. Persons nominated by the Student Representative Council shall represent students in the Dispute Resolution Committee.
- 17.3.3. Appeals for the Committee shall be filled only after using all other remedies, i.e. applying to the Student Representative Council, programme directors, and the faculty Dean.
- 17.3.4. The appeal must contain the names and surnames of the persons involved in the dispute, facts, grounds, evidence, etc. The appeal shall be examined no later than 10 working days from the date of its filing.
- 17.3.5. The Rector or persons nominated by him/ her shall examine the appeals on violation of student rights determined by the Law on Higher Education and Research or other legal acts in 30 working days and provides the decision in a written form.
- 17.3.6. The Dispute Resolution Committee shall be formed and the appeal shall be examined in compliance with the Appeal Regulation, approved by the Senate. All entrants to the University, students and unclassified students shall have the right to submit an appeal.
- 17.3.7. The Committee of Professional and Academic Ethics examine violations related to academic and professional ethics.

17.4. Incentives and disciplinary action against students and unclassified students

- 17.4.1. Honourable mention by the Rector or the Dean or a premium may be awarded to excellent students, who have scientific achievements, are actively involved in social, cultural and sports life of the University.
- 17.4.2. The following disciplinary actions may be imposed upon any student found to be in violation of appropriate performance of student responsibilities: warning; reprimand; severe reprimand; scholarship termination for a given period; indemnity granted; elimination from the University.
- 17.4.3. The disciplinary actions shall be imposed by the Dean or the Rector on the approval of the Dean.
- 17.4.4. Information on incentives and disciplinary actions is public; later it is included into student's personal portfolio.
- 17.4.5. A student or an unclassified student who does not agree on the appointment of a disciplinary action or incentive, has a right to address the Dispute Resolution Committee in a week.

17.5. Student Representative Council

- 17.5.1. The interests of the University students shall be represented by the Student Representative Council.
- 17.5.2. Any University student may become a member of the Student Representative Council.
- 17.5.3. The Student Representative Council shall act in accordance with its regulations, approved at the General Student Representative Conference.
- 17.5.4. 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.
- 17.5.5. 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.
- 17.5.6. 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.
- 17.5.7. The University shall provide support for the Student Representative Council and other student

organizations, 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.

17.5.8. The Student Representative Council shall have the right to express their views on all issues of student concern.

17.5.9. 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.

VIII. INTERNAL ACADEMIC QUALITY ASSURANCE

18.1. Internal academic quality assurance system is based on the provision of the European Higher Education Area quality assurance. It shall determine the ways and means of operation ensuring the quality of higher education.

18.2. Internal academic quality assurance system (general academic quality assessment criteria, supervision of academic quality, presentation of the information to the community and the public) is regulated by the Provision on Academic Quality Assurance of Lithuanian Sports University.

18.3. Academic Quality of the University is supervised in order to promote and develop the culture of excellence, responsibility for quality study process corresponding to the international standards, appropriateness of the conditions provided for personal self-development and obtaining the required qualification and to keep the public informed about the quality of university studies, quality assurance policies, systems and tools.

18.4. Academic quality involves the dimension of alternation assurance comprising the ability to change and modify, i.e., the students are enabled to think independently, and the academic community is learning how to continually improve the learning environment for students.

18.6. Academic quality supervision is a monitoring and improvement process of suitable conditions provided for personal self-development and acquisition of the required level of qualification, fully meeting the expressed and implied needs and expectations of internal and external higher education stakeholders.

18.7. Internal academic quality assurance system comprises evaluation and improvement of study programmes, study modules (subjects) and the teaching process.

18.8. The evaluation of study modules (subjects) is regulated by the Procedure on the Certification of Study Modules (Subjects). The procedure on student attitude towards the academic quality study organization, data analysis and assessment, making conclusions public and providing feedback is regulated by Lithuanian Sports University Procedure on Student Attitude toward Academic Quality.

18.9. Qualitative and quantitative information on study programmes, qualifications of higher education, research and sports activities, self-evaluation results, opinion of students, graduates and social partners on the quality of studies and graduate career indexes is publicized on the University website and by other means.

18.10. Every study programme has a self-control (self-assessment) mechanism which ensures a continuous sustentation of academic quality, study content, method, and information environment updating, supervision of teaching excellence and qualification, objective assessment of student knowledge and skills.

IX. FINAL PROVISIONS

19.1. The present Regulation shall come into force since its approval by the Senate.

19.2. The Regulation shall be completed, amended and cancelled by the Senate.

19.3. The provisions of the previous version shall be valid until the approval of study regulatory documents referred to by this Regulation.

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