

“GRIGORE T. POPA” UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY OF IAȘI  
Code of student rights and obligations

## CODE OF STUDENT RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

**Art. 1.** This code includes the rights and obligations of the students enrolled in the higher education institution named “Grigore T. Popa” University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Iasi.

**Art. 2. (1)** The title of student or doctoral student is acquired by admission to a program of undergraduate, postgraduate or doctoral studies respectively and is maintained for the entire period of attending said program from the registration until sitting the examination for the completion of studies or until expulsion, excepting the periods of study interruption.

(2) The study contract concluded between the student and the university following the admission to a degree program cannot be modified during the academic year.

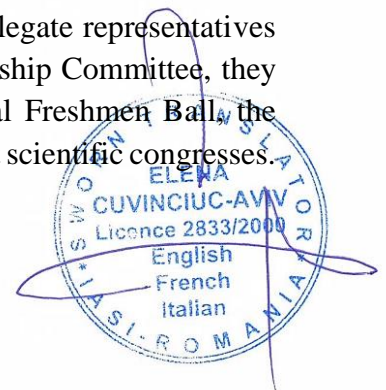
**Art. 3. (1)** According to the law, students may associate in student structures or organizations, which are non-governmental and non-profit organizations.

(2) To be able to carry on its activity within and/or under the auspices of the University, to have its headquarters on university grounds and to train the students in its activities, any newly established student organization must be recognized by the University through the decision of the University Senate. In order to be recognized by the University Senate, any new organization must prove the validity of its documents (statute, decision of establishment, stamp, and legal leadership) and fairness in the process of recruiting and electing members, it must present its activities, its statute shall not violate the University Charter and the norms, and it shall not be guilty of any ethical misconduct or conflicts with other student organizations recognized by the University.

(3) The Society of Medical Students of Iasi (SSMI), the Society of Dental Students of Iasi (SSSI), the Society of Pharmacy Students of Iasi (SSFI) and the Association of Bioengineering Students of Iasi (ASB) have been recognized since their establishment by the University through the University Charter. These organizations are the only ones which can act as student unions.

(4) The presidents of the recognized student organizations may participate as guests in the Councils of the Faculties, the University Senate, the Council Office and the Board of Directors to support a cause that concerns the students of the Faculty they represent and they can be consulted regarding different student problems.

(5) The recognized student organizations (SSMI, SSSI, SSFI and ASB) delegate representatives to the Executive Office of Accommodation and in the University's Scholarship Committee, they handle the distribution of camp tickets and the organization of the annual Freshmen Ball, the contest "Miss UMPH", the Var sity Sports Championships, and of the student scientific congresses.



(6) The recognized student organizations have the right to and must receive financial and professional support from the University and they have the right to use the facilities of the University without payment in order to carry out their projects. The university may support, depending on the available resources, the student organizations in the activities they organize: scientific research, conferences, summer schools, etc. Student organizations are considered partners in all the activities promoted by the University, both in terms of promoting its image, as well as regarding the efforts of scientific research and national and international partnerships.

(7) The student organizations are the University's partners in organizing and conducting elections at the University level, having representatives in the committees set up for this purpose.

(8) The University cooperates with the legally established student organizations and consults them for aspects regarding the higher education development.

**Art. 4.** The legally established student associations draw up an annual report regarding compliance with the provisions of this code within the university. The report shall be made public before the beginning of the year on the university's website. In case of deficiencies, the university has the obligation to make public the ways meant to solve those issues.

**Art. 5.** (1) The students are considered partners of the university and members of the university community, having rights and obligations on the basis of the principles set out in the Charter.

(2) The activity of the students within the university community is regulated by the following principles:

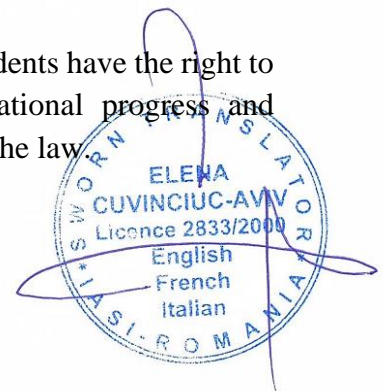
a) the principle of non-discrimination – on the basis of which all students benefit from equal treatment from the University, any direct or indirect discrimination against the student is prohibited;

b) the principle of having the right to assistance and to free complementary services in public higher education – expressed by: teachers advising and informing the student outside classes, seminars or laboratories; counseling for professional guidance purposes; psychological counseling; access to the most important specialty books and scientific publications; access to data regarding one's personal academic situation;

c) the principle of being involved in the decision – based on which the decisions within the University are taken with the involvement of student representatives;

d) the principle of freedom of expression – on the basis of which students have the right to express their academic opinions freely on the university grounds;

e) the principle of transparency and access to information – under which students have the right to free access to information, without charge, regarding one's own educational progress and community life of which they belong, in accordance with the provisions of the law.



**Art. 6.** Political propaganda, as well as any form of individual or group discrimination are prohibited in higher education institutions.

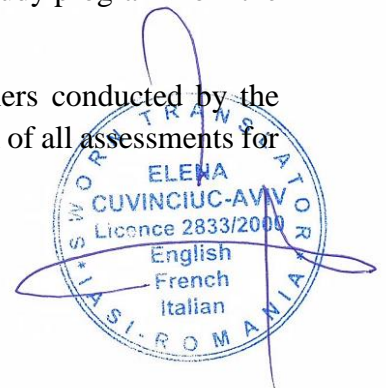
**Art. 7.** Students with physical disabilities have the right to have access routes adapted to their needs on any university grounds, as well as conditions for the normal conduct of the academic, social and cultural activities within the University.

**Art. 8. (1)** The student benefits from the following rights on the basis of the principles set out in the *Law no.1/2011* , with the subsequent changes and additions:

- a. the right to quality education;
- b. the right to access national and international mobility programs, granting the recognition of the credits obtained in this way, according to the law;
- c. the right of transfer from one university to another, according to the provisions of the legislation in force and University Charters;
- d. the right to protection of personal data;
- e. the right to free course support, in physical or electronic format, and access to all teaching materials available free of charge in the University library or on the faculty website;
- f. the right to be informed, in the first two weeks after the beginning of the semester, about the analytical syllabus, the structure and objectives of the course, the competences generated by it, as well as on the modalities of assessment and examination. Any subsequent change of the modalities of assessment and examination can only be done with the students' agreement;
- g. the right to benefit at the beginning of the first year of study from the "Student Guide", with information regarding: the rights and obligations of the student, the disciplines in the curriculum, the services made available by the university, the evaluation procedures, the amount of fees, the material basis of the university and of the faculty, information about the legally constituted student associations, modalities of access to scholarships and other means of financing and mobility, as well as to other facilities and grants awarded;
- h. the right to benefit from a year/series/group tutor, depending on size of these structures, among the members of the faculty in which they conduct their courses;
- i. the right to participate in the evaluation of courses, seminars, practical classes, in the evaluation of the performance of the teachers and of other educational and/or organizational aspects related to the further studies curriculum. Evaluations are public information and used in evaluating the performance of the courses, seminars, internships, study programs and teachers respectively;
- j. the right to access regulations, orders, decisions, minutes and other documents of the university, published on the university's website;



- k. copyrights and intellectual property rights for the results obtained through the activities of research-development, artistic creation and innovation, according to the legislation in force, the University Charter and any contracts between the parties;
  - l. the right to receive free academic, professional, psychological, and social information and advisory services, related to educational activities, made available by the university according to the University Charter;
  - m. the right to practice in accordance with the objectives of the degree program, as well as the right to material base, transportation and meals provided under the law;
  - n. the right to recognition of the practice performed individually, after assessing the degree of fulfillment of the practical objectives according to the study program;
  - o. the right to interrupt and resume studies in accordance with the University Charter and the legislation in force;
  - p. the right to study in the mother tongue or in a language of international circulation, if this is a possibility offered by the higher education institution, within the limit of the places assigned for this type of studies;
  - q. the right to an objective and non-discriminatory assessment of the competences acquired after attending a course, according to the curriculum, and the right to know the scale after which the student has been evaluated;
  - r. the right to be examined by an alternative method when suffering from a temporary or permanent disability, which is medically certified and which makes it impossible to present the knowledge learned in the manner established by the course holder, but the indicated alternative method shall not limit the achievement of examination standards;
  - s. the right to challenge the grades obtained in the written examinations, according to the internal regulations of University. The resolution of the appeal will be made in the presence of the contestant student by a commission which is not made out of the teacher who initially evaluated the student, if the student requests this;
  - sh. the right to receive, upon request, a copy of the thesis paper/dissertation registered by the university and to be informed about the score awarded;
  - t. the right to benefit from flexible learning methods. In this respect, a minimum number of optional and/elective courses will be ensured within the framework of the study program from the total of courses offered by the university.
- (2) The University will publish the results of the evaluation of the teachers conducted by the students on the university website. The results will contain the centralization of all assessments for each teacher in part.



(3) The way of identifying, organizing and evaluating the specialized practice is a compulsory evaluation criterion of the quality of the study programs.

**Art. 9. (1)** The students are represented in the consultative, decision-making and executive structures of the University, according to the provisions of *Law no. 1/2011* with the modifications and completions and the University Charter.

(2) The students participate in making decisions within the University on the basis of the following rights:

a. the right to choose and to be elected in the governing structures of the University, according to the *Law No.1/2011* ;

b. the right to be represented in the University Senate and the Faculty Council in a proportion of 25%, according to *Law no. 1/2011* with subsequent amendments and additions and the Charter university;

c. the right to be represented in the University structures that manage social services, including accommodation commissions, scholarships, thematic camps;

d. the right to participate in the procedures for establishing the rector through representatives, as well as in its designation process, regardless of the designation method;

e. the right to be informed and consulted by the student representatives in relation to the decisions voted in the management structures of the University;

(3) The student representatives in the Faculty Councils and in the University Senate are elected in accordance with the *Regulation for Student Problems* approved by the University Senate.

**Art. 10. (1)** Students benefit free of charge from:

a. Undergraduate, master and doctoral studies within the available budgeted places and according to the regulations of the *Law no. 1/2011* , with the subsequent changes and additions, in the case of Romanian citizens, citizens of the member states of the European Union or of the states belonging The European Economic Area and of the Swiss Confederation, according to art. 142 par. (4), Romanians from abroad according to art. 205 par. (4), as well as in the cases provided for in art. 205 par.(5) and (6) of *Law no. 1/2011* as subsequently amended and supplemented;

b. issuing study documents and those attesting to student status (including school situation/transcript of grades, bachelor's, engineer, master and doctor degree, diploma supplements, certificates, student id and other cards, including those for access to the library);

(2) In case of issuing duplicates of the study documents, the university may charge fees established in the basis of university autonomy.

(3) Students benefit from the following price discounts:



- a. with at least 50% for local public transport, as well as for domestic car, railway and naval transport, according to the specific legislation and the annual institutional contract;
- b. 75% for access to museums, concerts, theater shows, opera, film, other cultural and sports events organized by public institutions, according to the legislation in force;

**Art. 11.** Students benefit from the following social rights:

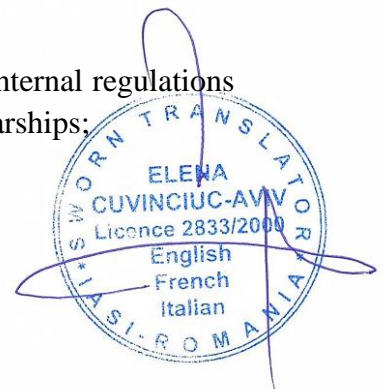
- a. free medical assistance according to the provisions of art. 205 par. (1) of *Law no. 1/2011* with subsequent amendments and additions;
- b. accommodation, unless they study in the locality of residence, according to the law;
- c. subsidies for accommodation according to art. 205 par. (15) of *Law no. 1/2011* with the amendments and subsequent additions;
- d. access to university spaces to organize projects for students or to run activities outside of class hours and other preset activities, in accordance with the provisions of the University Charter and the Decisions of the Board of Directors;
- e. the right to report abuses and irregularities and to request the verification and evaluation of these notifications to specialized bodies provided by the legislation in force, as well as the right to protection to those who notify, according to *Law no. 571/2004* regarding the protection of personnel from the public authorities, public institutions and other units reporting violations of the law;
- f. the right to have all written and signed requests or requests transmitted to the official university e-mail addresses registered and to receive a written response, respectively by electronic means, under the conditions established by the law and by the university regulations;
- g. the right to a registration term of at least 5 working days from when the advertisement was posted on the university website, for contests organized in the university, including those for scholarships, camps, accommodation and mobility.

**Art. 12.** (1) Students have the right to know the mechanisms by which the study fees are established, as well as other fees charged by the university, in accordance with the University Charter.

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

**Art. 13.** (1) Students may benefit from the following types of scholarships:

- a. grants for stimulating performance, which are distributed according to the internal regulations of University and which can be divided into merit, study and excellence scholarships;





b. social scholarships, for the financial support of students with low incomes, whose minimum amount is proposed annually by the National Council for Financing Higher Education, referring to the real costs for meals and accommodation. The social scholarships can be cumulated with the others types of scholarships;

c. scholarships from the university's budgetary allocations or extra-budgetary revenues, as well as others types of special scholarships, according to the criteria established by the legislation in force, whose amount must cover at least the costs for meals and accommodation;

d. scholarships based on a contract concluded with economic operators or other legal or natural entities of the type provided in art. 205 par. (10) of *Law no. 1/2011* with subsequent amendments and additions.

(2) Students may benefit from loans from the Student Loans and Grants Agency in accordance with art. 204 of *Law no. 1/2011* as subsequently amended and supplemented.

**Art. 14.** Students from disadvantaged backgrounds or those who have outstanding results in their education and professional, cultural or sports training benefit from places in the thematic camps within the budget allocated for this purpose.

**Art. 15.** Students have the following obligations:

a. to carry out all the tasks assigned to them according to the curriculum and the subject syllabus;

b. to respect the University's Charter, regulations and decisions;

c. to participate in the meetings of the management structures within the University as elected representatives of students;

d. to comply with the quality standards imposed by the University;

e. to respect the copyrights of other persons and to recognize the paternity of the information used in their works;

f. to respect the provisions of the University's ethical code;

g. to elaborate and submit original assignments for academic subjects and graduation papers;

h. to notify the competent authorities of any irregularities in the educational process and within the framework activities related to it;

i. to participate in academic activities without being influenced by alcohol or other prohibited substances;

j. not to use inappropriate language and exhibit inappropriate behavior on the university grounds;

k. to properly use, according to the established destination, all facilities and subsidies received;

l. to respect the cleanliness, tranquility and order in the university space;



- m. to maintain the integrity and proper functioning of the material base made available to them by the university;
- n. to inform the competent authorities about the existence of any situation that might influence the good conduct of individual and general study activities;
- o. to fulfill the financial commitments imposed by the institution where they study in the conditions established in the study contract.

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