## EXCERPT FROM THE DECISIONS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL FROM PROTOCOL № 20 DATED 31.03.2025

regarding the determination of application fees for students for the academic year 2025/2026

The Academic Council decided that the application fees for students – Bulgarian language and English language programs at the Medical University of Varna for the academic year 2025/2026 will be as follows:

- Application fee for entrance exams for Bulgarian language programs 90 BGN for the first exam and 60 BGN for each subsequent exam;
- Application fee for participation in the student admission campaign and ranking based on documents for Bulgarian language programs 60 BGN;
- Application fee for entrance exams for English language programs 300 EUR;
- Fee for admission and processing of documents of applicants for English language programs 30 EUR;
- Fee for taking only one entrance exam for English language programs 150 EUR.

**regarding** the adoption of the completed documentation for the implementation of the recommendation given during the institutional accreditation of the Medical University of Varna

The Academic Council adopts the completed documentation for the implementation of the recommendation and the application of the internal system for assessment and maintenance of the quality of education, made by the National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency during the institutional accreditation of MU-Varna.

## Attachments:

- Report on the implementation of the recommendation made by the National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency during the institutional accreditation of the Medical University of Varna and the related documentation;
- Report on the application of the internal system for assessment and maintenance of the quality of education and the academic staff at the Medical University of Varna and the related documentation.

**regarding** the distribution of unspent funds under the National Program "Young Scientists and Postdoctoral Researchers - 2" of the Ministry of Education and Science.

The Academic Council decided: to adopt the distribution of the unspent funds under the National Program "Young Scientists and Postdoctoral Researchers - 2" of the MES for the second stage of the program, among the main units of the university depending on the numerical composition of the academic staff and the scientific output reflected in the Web of Science and Scopus databases.

regarding the additional funding for a project under the Science Fund.

The Academic Council decided:

- 1. **Approve** the decision of the Expert Committee to provide additional funding for project No. 24019 "Microbial resistance and invasive infections in patients after hematopoietic stem cell transplantation",
- 2. The funds for additional funding for the project shall be provided from the budget of the Science Fund.

**regarding** the determining the amount of official leave for participation in a scientific event with an accepted report/poster.

The Academic Council decided:

The lecturers participating in a scientific event with an accepted report/poster shall be granted a maximum of 5 (five) working days per calendar year "official leave for participation in a scientific event (national and international) with an accepted report/poster", under the following conditions:

- 1. The abstracts shall be published in a journal in WoS/Scopus, which shall be proven by a form (copy of e-mail) for the accepted abstract.
- 2. The official leave is used in accordance with the established procedure in the Internal Working Regulations of MU-Varna, and is mandatory coordinated with the Executive Director/Manager of the relevant medical institution (for lecturers who have an employment contract with UMHAT "St. Marina" EAD Varna, MHAT "St. Anna" AD Varna, USHEDAT University Specialized Hospital of Eye Diseases Active Treatment, SHOGAT Specialized Hospital for Obstetrics and Gynecology for Active Treatment-Varna) and is proven by presenting the accepted summary to the direct supervisor and the director of the hospital facility.
- 3. Control over the used days of *official leave for participation in a scientific event (national and international) with an accepted report/poster* up to the maximum specified amount is carried out by the direct supervisor.
  - 4. The leave is for the relevant calendar year and cannot be postponed to the next one.

regarding the supplementation of the *Rules for the Approval of Study Programs for Acquiring a Specialty in the Healthcare System* by the Rector of Medical University of Varna. The Academic Council decided: To amend the "Rules for the Approval of Study Programs for Acquiring a Specialty in the Healthcare System by the Rector of Medical University of Varna", adopted by the Academic Council with a decision under Protocol № 10/16.09.2024, as follows:

- §1. Article 3, paragraph 1, first sentence acquires the following wording:
- "The study program under Art. 2, para. 2 shall follow the structure and content of the framework study program and shall include the thematic scope of the mandatory modules defined in the framework study program."
- §2. In Article 3, paragraph 1, a point 3.1. is created as follows:
- "3.1. thematic scope and/or content of the mandatory modules and sections of the theoretical and practical training;"
- §3. In Article 4, paragraph 1, in the first sentence, the word "three" is replaced with "five" and a second sentence is created as follows:
- "The Vice-Rector for Postgraduate Education appoints a habilitated person in the relevant specialty to provide an opinion on the part of the study program under Art. 3, para. 1, item 3.1. and, if necessary, on other parts of the program."
- §4. In §1 of the "Transitional and Final Provisions" section, the word "three" is replaced with "six".
- §5. In the "Transitional and Final Provisions" section, §3 and §4 are created with the following content:
- "§ 3. (1) The study programs approved by the Rector of

Medical University of Varna to date shall be brought into compliance with the requirements of Art. 3, para. 1, item 3.1. within one month from the adoption of these rules.

- (2) Specialists who, at present, have started their training under a study program approved by the Rector, shall complete it according to the respective updated study program under para. 1.
- § 4. These rules were adopted by the Academic Council of the Medical

University of Varna with a decision under Protocol № 10/16.09.2024, amended and supplemented by

a decision under Protocol № 20/31.03.2025."

**regarding** the approval of bases for conducting practical training and pre-graduation internship of students.

The Academic Council decided that the following bases for conducting practical training and pregraduation internship of students be approved:

No.	Conducting bases on	For students and postgraduates	Place of
	educational practices and		residence
	undergraduate internship		
1.	Medical Center "Medica -	Students from the following	Dobrich region,
	Albena" EAD	majors:	Albena resort
		"Rehabilitator" and	
		"Medical Cosmetologist"	
2.	Mega-Optic Ltd.	Students from the following	Sofia, site in
		majors:	Varna
		"Medical Optician"	
3.	Danda 90 Ltd.	Students from the following	Sofia, site in
		majors:	Varna
		"Medical Optician"	

**regarding** affirmation on solutions on Scientific jury in connection with competitions announced in the State Gazette No. 85 of 08.10.2024.

- The Academic Council elects ........... for **associate professor** in specialty "**Medical Psychology**" in the field of higher education 3. Social, economic and legal sciences, professional field 3.2 Psychology at **0.5** full-time position in Department of Health Care, Veliko Tarnovo Affiliate and **1** full-time position for the Fourth Clinic of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the University Hospital "St. Marina" EAD Varna.

Here is the English translation of the provided text:

**regarding** the signing of an academic cooperation agreement:

The Academic Council gives its consent to conclude an academic cooperation agreement between Medical University of Varna and Southwest Medical University in Sichuan, China for a period of 5 years.

**regarding** the extension of an employment contract under § 11 of the Transitional and Final Provisions of the Higher Education Act:

The Academic Council decided to extend, after reaching the age under Art. 328, para. 1, item 10 of the Labor Code, the employment contract of ........................ for a period of one year (second extension), starting from April 17, 2025, Department of "Health Care" at the Veliko Tarnovo Affiliate.

**regarding** the announcement of a competition for the academic position of "Assistant Professor":

The Academic Council decided to announce a competition for the academic position of "Assistant Professor", one position, specialty "Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine", in the field of higher education 7. "Healthcare and Sports", professional field 7.1. "Medicine" - 0.5 full-time equivalent for the Department of "Physiotherapy, Rehabilitation and Thalassotherapy" at the Faculty of "Public Health" and 0.5 full-time equivalent for the Clinic of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine at UMHAT "St. Marina", Varna. Requirements for candidates: higher education, acquired educational and qualification degree "Master" in the specialty "Medicine".

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