

MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY

THE STATUTE

OF THE

“MEDITERRANEAN” UNIVERSITY

STUDENT PARLIAMENT

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I – BASIC PROVISIONS

Article 1

This Statute regulates the basis of the organization and objects of the "Mediterranean" University Student Parliament (hereinafter: Student Parliament), authorizations and decision-making method of its bodies, method of selecting students' representatives in bodies of the "Mediterranean" University (hereinafter: University), i.e. the bodies of its organizational units, organization and the student council activities as well as other questions of significance for the operation of the Student Parliament.

Article 2

Student Parliament activities are:

- Promotion and protection of rights and interests of students;
- Launching initiative for making or changing regulations which are of interest for students;
- Launching an initiative for consideration of issues which are of interest for students at meetings of the Senate and the Executive Board;
- Consideration of issues and implementation of programs from the field of Higher Education, science, culture and other fields which are of importance for students;
- Consideration of issues and implementation of programs which are of importance for

socio-economic status of students;

- Cooperation with institutes, institutions and organizations which are of importance for the status of students;
- Performing other jobs in accordance with the Law on Higher Education and the Statute of the University.

Article 3

The founder of the Student Parliament is the University.

Student Parliament was founded as an internal organizational unit of the University.

It was founded on October 1, 2007.

Article 4

The full name of the Student Parliament is: The "Mediterranean" University Student Parliament.

Student Parliament headquarters is in Podgorica, „Dzordza Vasingtona" Street, No. 89.

Article 5

The Parliament uses the stamp of the University supplemented with its name. On the stamp there is a text inscription: the "MEDITERRANEAN" UNIVERSITY– MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERISTY STUDENT PARLIAMENT.

Student Parliament uses stamp of the University supplemented with its name for receiving and shipping post.

Article 6

Student Parliament has its emblem which is exhibited and is used together with the other symbols of the University.

Article 7

Decisions of Executive Board and the University Senate are binding for the Student Parliament.

Article 8

Activity of Student Parliament is based on principles of equal opportunities and non-discrimination on the basis of race, religion, political or other convictions.

Article 9

All students of the University have a right to recommend candidates for the Student Parliament and to vote on the elections.

After having enrolled in the second year of studies students have the right of candidacy.

Article 10

Elections for members of the Student Parliament are held every year, during the fall term. Elections are called by the President of the Parliament in the month of September. If the elections are not called by a certain deadline, then they will be called by the Rector of the University, in the first week of October. Within the period of 100 days maximum from the day of calling the elections, all of the bodies of the Student Parliament must be constituted.

The elections are executed and monitored by the University Election Committee which is formed by the University, on the motion of the Parliament.

University Election Committee determines the exact date of the elections.

The elections are held on the same day at all the organizational units of the University.

All of the Student Parliament bodies must be formed within 15 days after elections have been held.

Article 11

The Student Parliament is dissolved, if during the 2 months there were no sessions and if the function of the Student Parliament is not achieved.

By dissolving the Student Parliament, the President of the Student Parliament or the Executive Board of the Student Parliament calls the elections within 30 days from the day of dissolving and it achieves the function of the Student Parliament until the constitution of the new convocation.

Article 12

The University allows its business space and equipment for the use and offices of the Student Parliament.

In case of alienation of property of the Student Parliament by an individual or a group, special Commission is formed which determines damages and suggests the measures which should be taken by the Student Parliament.

II – THE STUDENT PARLIAMENT BODIES

Article 13

The Student Parliament bodies are:

- The President,
- The Executive Board,
- The student commissioner of the University,
- The Student Parliament of the Faculty.

THE STUDENT PARLIAMENT

Article 14

The Student Parliament is composed of student representatives from all organizational units of the University.

The Student Parliament has fifteen (15) members.

Students of the organizational units of the University are represented in the Student Parliament with with the following number of representatives:

- Faculty of Tourism, Hotel and Trade Management, Bar: 3 (three);
- The Faculty of Business Studies "MBS", Podgorica:3 (three);
- The Faculty of Visual Arts, Podgorica:2 (two);
- The Faculty of Information Technology, Podgorica:2 (two);
- The Faculty of Law, Podgorica:2 (two);

- The Faculty of Foreign Languages, Podgorica:3 (three).

Article 15

In realization of its function, the Student Parliament:

- Elects and removes the President from the office
- Elects and removes the members of the Executive Board,
- Forms the professional bodies (permanent or temporary), work groups and other bodies
- Passes the Statute of the Student Parliament,
- Passes the Rulebook on election procedure of the Student Parliament,
- Passes other general acts of importance for the work of the Student Parliament,
- Passes the Financial plan on the motion of the Executive Board,
- Passes the decision on the dissolution of the Student Parliament or its bodies,
- Considers and adopts the Report on the work of the Executive Board and the President.

Article 16

The Student Parliament is convened by the President at least once a month, except for the months of July and August.

Besides the President, other people who can call a session of the Student Parliament are: the Executive Board, the Student Commissioner at the University and at least 1/3 (one-third) of the number of members of the Student Parliament.

Article 17

The President proposes the agenda for the Student Parliament session.

The Student Parliament adopts the agenda.

Minutes shall be taken during the Student Parliament session.

Article 18

The Student Parliament can make binding decisions if the assembly is attended by at least 2/3 (two-thirds) of the total number of members of the Student Parliament.

The Student Parliament makes decisions based on the majority vote of the total number of members.

In the process of passing the Student Parliament's Statute and the Rule Book on Election Procedures, the Student Parliament makes decision by a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of members.

Amendments to the Statute and other acts of the Student Parliament shall be adopted by a two-thirds majority vote on the motion of the Executive Board, and/or at least one-third of the members of the Student Parliament.

The University's Executive Board gives its consent for the Statute of the Student Parliament

Article 19

An extraordinary Student Parliament's Assembly is convened by the President at the request of the Executive Board or at least one-third of the members of the Student Parliament.

Article 20

The procedures of convening, leading, decision-making and other matters relating to the holding of the session and the work of the Student Parliament, are governed by the Rules of order on the work of the Parliament, which is adopted by the Student Parliament.

Article 21

The length of the mandate for the members of the Student Parliament is one year and it can be extended for another year.

Article 22

A member of the Student Parliament loses his mandate before its expiry:

- If he loses the status of a student;
- Due to non-compliance with the obligations established by the Statute;
- If he does not attend the Student Parliament's sessions three times in a row.

Instead of the member whose mandate has been terminated, another member is elected, in accordance with the Rule Book on the Election Procedure.

THE PRESIDENT

Article 23

The President advocates for and represents the Student Parliament, individually and within the boundaries of the authority prescribed by the Law and the Statute of the University.

Article 24

The President is elected by the majority of the Student Parliament members.

The mandate of the President lasts for one year, with the possibility for one reelection.

Article 25

In exercising his function, the President:

- Chairs the Student Parliament,
- Advocates for and represents the Student Parliament,
- Is the financial appointer of the Student Parliament,
- Convenes the sessions of the Student Parliament,
- Organizes and aligns the work of the Student Parliament,
- Calls for the elections for the Student Parliament,
- Performs other jobs established by this Statute

Article 26

The President is obligated to submit a Report on the activities to the Student Parliament every three months.

The President is obligated to consult the Executive Board about his/her work for the purpose of successful functioning of the Student Parliament.

Article 27

In the case of inability to perform the function of the President, the President will be substituted by an Executive Board member who has the consent of half of the total number of members of the Assembly.

In case of a short leave (up to 2 months), the President has the right to authorize a member of the Executive Board who will substitute him/her.

Article 28

The mandate of the President terminates before its expiration:

- If he/she loses the status of the student,
- If he/she stops being the member of the Student Parliament,
- If he/she is dismissed due to non-compliance with the obligations established by the Statute, on the motion of the Executive Board or of at least one third of the members of the Student Parliament.

In case of termination of the mandate of the President, the Student Parliament is obliged to elect a new President within 20 days in accordance with the Article 24 of the Statute of the Parliament.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 29

The executive body of the Student Parliament is the Executive Board.

Article 30

The Executive Board has 7 members and they are: the President, Student Commissioner of the

University and 5 members of the Student Parliament.

Article 31

Five members of the Executive Board are elected among members of the Student Parliament by a two-thirds majority of the total number of members of the Student Parliament.

Article 32

Mandate of the members of the Executive Board lasts one year, with the possibility of reelection.

Article 33

In exercising its function, the Executive Board:

- Executes decisions, conclusions and other acts adopted by the Student Parliament,
- Prepares the Statute and other acts adopted by the Student Parliament,
- Takes care of achieving the goals of the Student Parliament,
- Prepares the Financial plan of the Student Parliament,
- Is responsible for the distribution of funds
- Submits a report on activities to the Student Parliament as well as a financial report every 3 months
- Coordinates the work between student councils
- Cooperates with student associations and organizations from the country and abroad.

Article 34

The session of the Executive Board is scheduled by the President.

The President may call for an Executive Board session at a written request from the Student Commissioner at the University and at least 2 (two) members of the Executive Board.

The agenda is determined by the Executive Board on the motion of the President.

The minutes of the Executive Board sessions shall be kept.

Article 35

The Executive Board can make binding decisions if the session is attended by 5 members.

The Executive Board brings decisions by a majority vote of the total number of members.

Article 36

Each Executive Board member has certain obligations and functions:

- The President of the Parliament is, automatically, also a member of the Executive Board and his obligations are specified by the Statute
- The Student Commissioner at the University is, automatically, also a member of the Executive Board and his obligations are specified by the Statute
- The Executive Board member responsible for cooperation with the student dormitories and student organizations has the function of the Coordinator of cooperation with student organizations and student dormitories
- The Executive Board member responsible for international cooperation and student exchange has the function of Coordinator for international cooperation
- The Executive Board member responsible for coordinating student councils work and cooperating with student organizations which operate within the University has the function of Coordinator for Student Councils
- The Executive Board member who is also a member of the Board of Directors of the University is responsible for cooperation with the Managing Board
- The Executive Board member responsible for preparing and coordinating work of students who are members of the Senate of the University has the function of a Coordinator for student representatives in the Senate of the University.

Article 37

An Executive Board member has his mandate terminated before its expiry:

- If he loses his student status;
- If he is unable to do his job;

- If he requests it himself;
- If his membership within the Student Parliament expires;
- If there is grounds for dismissal due to non-compliance with obligations established by the Statute, and proposed by the President and / or at least one third of the members of the Student Parliament

In the case referred to in item 5 of the previous paragraph, the decision on dismissal is passed by the Student Parliament with a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of members of the Student Parliament.

Article 38

Student representatives within the University Senate are chosen by the Student Parliament by a majority vote of the total number of Student Parliament members on the motion of at least one-fourth of the members of the Student Parliament

The President is, automatically, a member of the Senate of the University.

Article 39

Student representatives within the University's Executive Board are chosen by the Student Parliament by a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of Student Parliament members on the motion of at least one-third of the members of the Student Parliament.

STUDENT COMMISSIONER AT THE UNIVERSITY

Article 40

The Student Commissioner at the University is chosen by the Student Parliament by a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of members on the motion of at least one-third of Student Parliament members.

The Student Commissioner's mandate lasts for a year with the option of being reelected.

Article 41

In exercising his function, the Student Commissioner at the University:

- Helps the President in fulfilling the set goal of the Student Parliament
- Coordinates the work of students at the University
- Represents the interests and goal of the Student Parliament and is responsible for cooperating with the University and all its authorities.

Article 42

The Student Commissioner is obliged to submit a report on his work to the Executive Board and the Student Parliament every three months.

Article 43

In case of inability to perform his duties Student Commissioner is substituted by a member of the Executive Board with the consent of at least half of the total number of members of the Student Parliament.

In case of a shorter absence (up to two months) the Student Commissioner has the right to authorize a member of the Executive Board to substitute for him.

Article 44

The Student Commissioner's mandate is terminated before its expiry:

- If he stops being a member of the Student Parliament;
- In case of non-compliance with obligations established by the Statute, at the initiative of the Executive Board and / or at least one third of the members of the Student Parliament

In the case referred to in item 2 of the previous paragraph, the decision on dismissal is passed by the Student Parliament with a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of members of the Student Parliament.

In case of a termination of the mandate, the Student Parliament is obliged to select a new Student Commissioner within 20 days.

III – THE STUDENT PARLIAMENT OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 45

The Student Parliament has its own branches – the Faculty Student Parliaments of all the organizational units of the University.

Within the framework of the Student Parliament there are 6 Student Parliaments of the Faculty:

1. Student Parliament of the Faculty of Tourism, Hotel and Trade Management, Bar
2. Student Parliament of the Faculty of Business Studies “Montenegro Business School”, Podgorica
3. Student Parliament of the Faculty of Visual Arts, Podgorica
4. Student Parliament of the Faculty of Information Technology, Podgorica
5. Student Parliament of the Faculty of Law, Podgorica
6. Student Parliament of the Faculty of Foreign Languages, Podgorica

Article 46

The Student Parliament performs its activities at the organizational units of the University through the local Student Parliaments at the organizational units of the University.

Article 47

When it comes to their work, Student Parliaments of the Faculties answer to the Executive Board the Student Parliament.

Article 48

Student Parliaments of the Faculties do not have the right to represent the Student Parliament.

Decisions of the Student Parliament are binding for all the Student Parliaments of the Faculties.

Article 49

Student Parliaments of the Faculties have their own stamp and logo. The stamp of a Student Parliament of a Faculty uses the stamp of the organizational unit of the University supplemented by its name, e.g. “FACULTY OF LAW – STUDENT PARLIAMENT”, etc. The Student

Parliament of a Faculty uses the logo of the Student Parliament, with a modified abbreviation in its center (SPUM), for example SPPF (Student Parliament of the Faculty of Law) etc.

Article 50

Members of the Student Parliament of a Faculty are selected by students from all years of study and study programs of that Faculty. Members of the Student Parliament of a Faculty are elected at meetings which are organized for each year of study of that Faculty. The elections are organized by the President of the Student Parliament of a Faculty for that organizational unit of University and the Faculty Election Commission.

Article 51

The minimal number of members for a Student Parliament of a Faculty is six, of which the following are: the President of the Faculty Student Parliament, the Student Commissioner of the University's organizational unit and four other members.

The number of members of the Faculty Student Parliament depends on the organizational structure of that very organizational unit.

Article 52

The length of a mandate for members of the Student Parliament of a Faculty is one year, with the option to be reelected.

Article 53

In exercising its function, the Student Parliament of a Faculty:

- Carries out the decisions of the primary Student Parliament,
- Coordinates the activities for that specific organizational unit of the Faculty,
- Cooperates with other student organizations and associations that operate at that organizational unit of a Faculty,
- Examines and solves student requests, problems and suggestions
- Recommends student representatives within the framework of the Academic Council of the Faculty.

Article 54

The Faculty's Student Parliament session is convened by the President at that organizational unit of the Faculty. The President at the organizational unit of the Faculty schedules the Faculty's Student Parliament session at the request of at least one-third of the members of the Student Parliament of the Faculty, the Executive Board or the Student's Commissioner at the University, as well as the President.

The sessions are chaired by the President at that organizational unit or a Member of the Faculty's Student Parliament, who is authorized by the President to substitute for him.

The Faculty Student Parliament session agenda is proposed by the President at that organizational unit, and is adopted by the faculty Student Parliament.

Members of the Executive Board can attend the session of the Faculty Student Parliament.

Article 55

The President of an organizational unit is directly elected by the students of that organizational unit of the University.

The manner of election of the President at an organizational unit is precisely defined by the Rule Book on the Election Procedure.

Article 56

The length of a mandate for the President at an organizational unit of the University is one year, with the option to be reelected.

Article 57

In exercising his function, the President at an organizational unit of the University:

- Participates in the work done by the Academic Council of the Faculty,
- Organizes work and is the chairmen of the faculty Student Parliament sessions,
- Represents the rights and interests of students at that organizational unit of the University. By title, the President at an organizational unit of the Faculty is also a member of the Student Parliament as well as a member of the Academic Council.

Article 58

The President at an organizational unit of the University has his mandate terminated before its

expiry:

- If he loses the status of a student
- In case of non-compliance with obligations established by the Statute, at the initiative of the Executive Board and / or at least one third of the members of the Student Parliament

The decision on dismissal is passed by the Student Parliament with a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of members of the Student Parliament.

Article 59

The Student Parliament, on the motion of the Executive Board, has the right to dismiss the faculty Student Parliament if the Board determines that there have been irregularities in the work of that body.

Within 20 days of dissolution the new faculty Student Parliament is formed.

IV – FINANCIAL ASSETS AND THEIR CONTROL

Article 60

The Annual Student Parliament Financial Plan is passed by the Student Parliament by a two-thirds majority vote of the total number of members, on the motion of the Executive Boards.

The Executive Board submits a financial report to the Student Parliament every three months.

The control of the distribution of funds is carried out by the Student Parliament on the basis of the report from the previous paragraph.

Article 61

The final account for the past year is adopted by the Student Parliament.

Article 62

Decisions on financing are made by the Student Parliament, in accordance with the adopted financial plan.

The Executive Board carries out the distribution of funds in accordance with the adopted financial plan.

Article 63

The change of the financial plan can only be carried out by the Student Parliament by a two-thirds majority vote.

The Student Parliament has the right to hold the Executive Board responsible, if there has been a deviation from the Financial Plan.

In case of irregularities in the work of the Executive Board, the Board is dissolved and a special committee is formed for assessing the damage and proposing the measures to be taken by the Student Parliament.

Article 64

The Student Parliament is financed with funds received from:

- The University,
- The University's Founder,
- Domestic or Foreign Donors,
- Its own activities, jobs and projects.

Article 65

The Student Parliament concludes a contract with the University regarding the financing of some activities with funds from the University's Budget.

At the end of each calendar year, the Student Parliament is obliged to adopt a financial plan for spending funds obtained from the University for the forthcoming year.

V – FINAL REGULATIONS

Article 66

This Statute becomes effective on the eighth day from the date of its publication on the notice

board of the University and upon obtaining the approval of the University's Board of Directors.

STUDENT PARLIAMENT

PRESIDENT

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