



RECTOR'S DECREE

11.08.2023

Rīga

No. 1-PB-2/409/2023

On repeated studies of international students

To ensure effective repeated studies for international students of Rīga Stradiņš University (hereinafter – RSU) in case of academic failure, to reduce the bureaucratic burden related to the repeated processing of immigration documents and to eliminate inequality in study opportunities for Latvian and international students, as well as to ensure that RSU expenses are covered in accordance with the current costs of studies,

considering that, in accordance with Section 65 Part two of the Administrative Procedure Law, Section 49 Part one of the Law on the Institutions of Higher Education and Sub-paragraph 9.1.2 of RSU Internal Rules of Studies (approved at the RSU Senate meeting on 21 February 2023, Minutes No. 2-S-1/3/2023), the decision on the exclusion (exmatriculation) in case of an academic failure shall be an optional not a mandatory administrative act,

taking into account the provisions of the concluded study contracts on tuition fees,

on the basis of the Section 17¹ of the Law on Institutions of Higher Education,

it is DECREED that:

1. International students who have failed to fulfil their academic obligations and may be excluded from the list of students but wish to continue their studies shall submit an application to the Dean.
2. The Dean shall evaluate the possibility of continuing studies (according to the extent of academic obligations not fulfilled by the student, the level of achievement of the learning outcomes of the study course, absence from studies, organisation of studies in the programme, and other circumstances relevant to the case) and shall decide on the permission for the international student to continue studies or on the rejection of the student's request and referring the student for exclusion.
3. If, in the opinion of the Dean, the international student may continue studies, the student's contact person shall prepare and send (hand over) to the student an agreement on amendments to the study contract with the individual study plan for signing, subject to the following conditions:
 - 3.1. the student shall complete the unfulfilled academic obligations during the next semester according to the individual study plan with the relevant

student group enrolled during winter or summer intake (the student shall not be transferred to the following semester and shall not study at the Open University):

- 3.1.1. if the student has not passed an interim examination, the entire study course shall be repeated;
- 3.1.2. if the student has passed interim examinations but has not passed the final examination, upon the Dean's opinion, the student shall retake the entire study course or only the final examination (- s) for the fee specified in the Rector's Decree. If the student fails the final examination (-s) also this time, the student shall retake the entire study course;
- 3.2. the deadline for the acquisition of the study programme shall be extended accordingly;
- 3.3. the tuition fee for the unfulfilled academic obligations and for further studies shall be determined according to the tuition fee of the current academic year (in the relevant academic years) in accordance with the Rector's Decree.
4. International students may continue their studies without being excluded for four consecutive semesters per each semester (including the initial semester not successfully completed), after the conclusion of an agreement referred to in the Decree, by not extending the duration of the study programme by more than two years.
5. The contact persons of the students of the respective study programme shall inform international students and explain this Decree by 30.09.2023.
6. The Rector's Decree No. 5-1/169/2018 "On repeated studies of international students" of 11.07.2018 shall be declared void.
7. Employees of the Administration Office shall acquaint the Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs, Associate Professor D. Šmits, Vice-Rector for Health Studies, Prof. G. Bahs, all deans and vice-deans, Director of the Academic Affairs Department I. Treija and Head of Student Services A. Lielā, Acting Director of the Finance Department K. Indriksons, Head of the Financial Analysis Unit G. Laugalis, Head of the Quality Assurance and Internal Audit Department S. Učelniece, Director of the Legal and Procurement Department S. Mazlazdiņa and Head of the Legal Unit R. Osis, as well as Chair of the Student Union E. M. Liepa.

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