Regulation Code: UMFVBT-COD/S/48/2024 Annex to H.S. no 201/18580/26.07.2024

# UNIVERSITY CODE OF STUDENTS' RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AT THE "VICTOR BABEŞ" UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY IN TIMISOARA

	Function, Name and surname	Date	Signature
Elaborat:	Student representatives in University Senate and Faculty Councils	22.07.2024	
Legal Office concerned	Cj. dr. Codrina Mihaela Levai	26.07. 2024	
Aimed at the Senate Standing Committee for the revision of the Regulations and the University Charter	President, PhD Prof. Ioana Ionita	26.07. 2024	
Date of entry into force:	26.07. 2024 (Ed. I)		
Date of withdrawal:			

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626 Email: senat@umft.ro www.umft.ro

ARACIS - 2027 | IAAR (WFME, EQAR, ENQA) - 2026 | EBA (UK) - 2026 ISO 9001:2015 ISO 45001:2018

#### **Art. 1.**

- (1) The State shall ensure equitable access to higher education, without any form of discrimination, to Romanian citizens, citizens of the Member States of the European Union, citizens of the States belonging to the European Economic Area and the Swiss Confederation, as well as British citizens and members of their families as beneficiaries of the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community 2019/C 384 I/01.
- (2) The "Victor Babes" University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timișoara, hereinafter referred to as UMFVBT, guarantees for all students in the national education system an accessible and inclusive education in terms of admission, completion and finalization of studies.
- (3) The organization and functioning of the higher education system in Romania is based on the fundamental principle of non-discrimination and equal opportunities.
- (4) Any form of discrimination, as defined in Article 2 <u>para. (1)</u> of Government Ordinance no. 137/2000 on the prevention and sanctioning of all forms of discrimination, republished, with subsequent amendments and additions, direct or indirect, individual or group, is strictly prohibited in higher education institutions.
- (5) Discrimination of any kind, according to the criteria set out in Article 2 <u>para.</u> (1) of Government Ordinance no. 137/2000, republished, with subsequent amendments and additions, found at the level of all technical-administrative, academic, decision-making and executive processes, constitutes disciplinary misconduct or deviation from the rules of ethics and professional deontology of higher education institutions and entails civil, administrative or criminal liability, as appropriate, under the law.
- (6) The senates of higher education institutions shall adopt an anti-discrimination strategy on the basis of which all students shall receive equal treatment by the higher education institution. The strategy shall be developed together with the legally constituted representative student organizations and student representatives and may be updated whenever necessary.
- (7) In higher education institutions and in all their organizational components are prohibited activities which:
- a) violates the general moral standards of the university community;
- b) consist of political and/or religious proselytizing;
- c) may jeopardize the health and physical or psychological integrity of the students/students, respectively of the teaching, auxiliary teaching and administrative staff;
- d) psychological violence/bullying.

#### Art. 2.

- (1) This code contains the rights and obligations of students enrolled at UMFVBT.
- (2) Students are considered partners of UMFVBT and equal members of the academic community.
- (3) Students enrolled at the UMFVBT benefit from the rights and obligations stipulated in this code if they do not contravene the rights and obligations arising from the regulations issued by the authorized structures of the defense, public order and national security system.
- (4) Students enrolled in denominational higher education institutions shall benefit from the rights and obligations stipulated in this Code if they do not contravene the rights and obligations arising from the regulations drawn up according to the dogmatic and canonical specificity of each faith.
- (5) The rights and obligations of the doctoral student are laid down in the framework regulation on doctoral studies, approved by order of the Minister of Education.
- (6) The rights and obligations of Romanian students from abroad are laid down in specific normative acts.

Δ	rı	ŀ	-4	

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania

Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626

Email: senat@umft.ro

www.umft.ro

- (1) The University Senate adopts the University Code of Student Rights and Obligations, upon the proposal of the students, through their elected representatives and through their legally constituted representative student organizations, as the case may be, in compliance with the legal provisions, within 60 days from the publication of this Code in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I.
- (2) The University Code of Student Rights and Obligations provided for in <u>para. (1)</u> shall be drawn up by each higher education institution on the basis of the provisions of this Code.

#### Art. 4.

- (1) The status of student, respectively doctoral student is acquired by admission to a program of short term undergraduate, bachelor, master or doctoral studies, after signing the study contract, upon the issuance of the registration decision, but no later than the starting date of the academic year.
- (2) The higher education institution shall sign a university study contract with each student, doctoral student, trainee, postdoctoral researcher, respectively, enrolled in a study program, in accordance with the provisions of the regulations on the organization and conduct of study programs and in compliance with the legislation in force.
- (3) In military, intelligence, public order and national security higher education institutions, the university study contract signed with each military or police student shall be established by order of the head of the institution and shall include the mutual rights and obligations of the parties, including the obligation to reimburse the expenses for maintenance and military training during the period of schooling in case of withdrawal from studies, as provided for in Article 34 para. (2) of the Law on Higher Education no. 199/2023, as amended and supplemented.
- (4) The study contract concluded between the student and the higher education institution following admission to a program of higher education may not be modified during the academic year, and it shall include at least the subject matter of the contract, the rights and obligations of the parties, the amount of tuition fees and the method of payment, where applicable, the liability of the parties and the term of validity of the contract.

# Art. 5.

- (1) Students may set up or associate in student structures or organizations, workshops, clubs, circles, clubs, artistic and sports groups, as well as publications, according to the legal provisions.
- (2) Legally constituted student organizations have the right to receive free of charge premises to be used as social headquarters and for specific activities, within the university premises, according to the legal provisions.
- (3) The UMFVBT cooperates with legally constituted student organizations and consults with them on a monthly/quarterly/semi-annually basis on issues related to the development of higher education. At least one representative of the management of the UMFVBT shall participate in the consultations.
- (4) Student organizations representing the interests of students at the level of each university community may have, under the conditions laid down in the higher education institution's charter, ex officio representatives in the decision-making and executive structures of the higher education institution, except for those where mandates are exclusively conferred by elections.
- (5) Legally constituted representative student organizations may delegate members to the committees for awarding scholarships, places in student dormitories and places in student camps, according to the internal regulations of the higher education institution.

#### Art. 6.

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania
Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro
www.umft.ro

- (1) Each higher education institution shall establish a system for monitoring compliance with the provisions of this Code, involving students represented in the decision-making structures of the higher education institution and legally constituted representative student associations.
- (2) Legally constituted student associations may draw up an annual report on compliance with the provisions of this Code in each higher education institution/faculty of the national education system, which they submit to the management of the higher education institution/faculty.
- (3) The report shall be debated after the beginning of the academic year, at the first meeting of the university senate or faculty council, as the case may be, and the higher education institution or faculty shall be obliged to publish the report prepared by the student associations on its own website.
- (4) In case of deficiencies, the UMFVBT/faculty shall develop a plan of measures to remedy them, with the direct involvement of the students represented in the University Senate/Faculty Council and legally constituted student associations.
- (5) The action plan shall be published on the website of the higher education institution/faculty, and its implementation shall be regularly monitored through meetings between the management of the higher education institution/faculty and representatives of legally constituted student associations or student representatives, as appropriate.
- (6) The system for monitoring compliance with the provisions of this Code is part of the quality assurance system, as required by law.

# Art. 7.

- (1) Students are full partners in the quality assurance process, including through their involvement through representatives in quality assurance structures.
- (2) The activity of students within the university community is regulated by the principles laid down in Article 126 para. (1) of Law no. 199/2023, as amended and supplemented.

#### Art. 8.

- (1) Students with physical disabilities have the right to have adapted access to all university premises, to the provision of an interpreter in sign language, as well as to adequate conditions for the normal academic, social, cultural and administrative activities in higher education institutions. Rules on the accessibility of higher education for persons with disabilities are approved by order of the Minister of Education.
- (2) Higher education institutions shall develop a specialized intervention plan to implement the rules on accessibility of higher education for persons with disabilities.
- (3) Students with disabilities also benefit from:
- a) the right to have adequate conditions for academic, social, cultural and administrative activities in higher education institutions;
- b) the right to receive support in identifying and developing specialized practice;
- c) the right to have access to adequate information and communication services;
- d) the right to participate in student camps in accordance with the legal provisions.

# Art. 9.

- (1) Students benefit from the following rights based on the principles laid down by the Law on Higher Education no. 199/2023, with subsequent amendments and additions:
- a) the right to quality education;
- b) the right to equitable access to learning opportunities offered by national and international mobility schemes and to take active measures against obstacles to the physical or virtual mobility of at-risk, disabled or non-traditional students. Higher education institutions shall make at least one public presentation to students during the academic year on the national and international mobility schemes available to them and

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania
Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro
www.umft.ro

offer free information and advice services to students interested in these schemes. The process of internationalization may also be supported by including online collaboration components in learning, teaching and research activities;

- c) the right to permanent mobility from one higher education institution to another, in accordance with the legislation in force;
- d) the right to the protection of personal data, in accordance with Regulation (EU) <u>2016/679</u> on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive <u>95/46/EC</u>;
- e) the right to free course materials, in the form of notes, presentations or other materials summarizing the content taught, in physical or electronic format, and access to all teaching materials available free of charge in the university libraries or on the faculty website. It is made available to students, in the language of the relevant subject, in the first two weeks of each semester;
- f) the right of access to the main scholarly books and scientific publications, university libraries and central university libraries;
- g) the right to be informed, within the first two weeks after the beginning of the semester, about the content of each subject's syllabus, which includes: the objectives/expected learning outcomes of the subject, the content of the educational process related to the subject and the topics addressed in each teaching activity, teaching-learning methods, minimum bibliography and optional bibliography, as well as the assessment and examination modalities, the minimum pass requirements and the weight of the different types of assessment and examination in the final result. Any subsequent changes to the arrangements for assessment and examination may only be made with the agreement of the students. The updated syllabus shall be made public to students via the e-Learning platform used and/or the website of the faculty/higher education institution;
- h) the right to receive, at the beginning of the first year of study, a "Student's Guide", with information on: student's rights and obligations, the subjects in the curriculum, the services provided by the higher education institution, assessment procedures, the amount of fees, the material base of the higher education institution and the faculty, information on legally established student associations, how to access scholarships and other means of funding, mobility, as well as other facilities and subsidies granted, etc. UMFVBT provides this "Student Guide" to students at least in online format and may finance its realization by student associations; i) the right to be assigned a year/series/group tutor, depending on the size of these study programs, from among the teaching staff of the faculty in which they are enrolled. The role of the tutor/mentor is to advise students on issues related to the academic environment, the educational process, career guidance and professional preparation. UMFVBT shall establish how to access the information on the list of tutors/tutors and their contact details and shall draw up rules on the tutoring system, the activity and responsibilities of tutors/tutors, approved by the University Senate; j) the right to participate in the semesterly evaluation of courses, seminars, practical work, the performance of teaching staff and other educational and/or organizational aspects related to the study program followed, according to the legal provisions. Student participation in these evaluation processes is anonymous. The statistical results of evaluations shall be public information and shall be posted on the website of each higher education institution together with the improvement measures adopted following the analysis of the results of the evaluation process and shall be used to improve the content of teaching activities, teaching, learning and assessment methods. Teachers with unsatisfactory student evaluation results will be supported to improve their teaching performance through procedures established at institutional level (participation in training courses, individualized feedback sessions, intercollegiate support, etc.), while teachers with very good student evaluation results may be rewarded separately. Non-participation in activities to improve teaching performance by teachers with unsatisfactory student evaluation results constitutes a disciplinary offense;

UNIVERSITY SENATE
P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro www.umft.ro
2027 - 2027   T22D (MINE DOLD DIVO) 2026   DD. (MIN. 2026

- j) the right of access to the regulations, decisions, decisions, minutes and other documents of the institution where he/she studies, under the conditions of the legislation in force. Upon request, UMFVBT may also make certain documents available in open data format;
- k) copyright and intellectual property rights for the results obtained through research and development, artistic creation and innovation activities, in accordance with the legislation in force, university institutional regulations and any contracts between the parties;
- l) the right to receive free of charge academic, professional, psychological and social information and counseling services, related to the educational activity, provided by the higher education institution, according to the legislation in force and university institutional regulations;
- m)the right to interrupt and resume studies in accordance with the legislation in force and university institutional regulations;
- n) the right to study in your mother tongue or in a language of international circulation, if available in the higher education institution, within the limit of the places allocated for this type of study program;
- o) the right to receive, on request, personalized feedback from teachers following each assessment process in which they participate;
- p) the right to an objective and non-discriminatory assessment of the learning outcomes acquired after the completion of a subject, in compliance with the subject description, and the right to know the scale according to which they have been assessed. The process of assessment of students' knowledge is carried out in the presence of at least two teachers. The teachers provide students with all the necessary information so that they can validate their grade for each subject in which the assessment has been carried out, immediately after the assessment has been completed, within a maximum of 24 hours;
- q) the right to challenge the marks obtained in the written examinations, according to the internal regulations of UMFVBT. The appeal will be decided by a committee that does not include the teachers who initially assessed the marks, in the presence of the student, if the student so requests;
- r) the right to have access to personal educational records;
- s) the right to be notified of the result of the final exams;
- t) the right to be consulted by teachers on the scheduling of examination dates;
- u) the right to benefit from a student-centered educational process with a view to personal development, integration into society and the development of employability, job retention and mobility in the labor market;
- v) the right to benefit from flexible learning pathways in accordance with legal regulations. Each study program will contain mandatory optional and optional subject packages in its curriculum;
- w) the right to have free access to specialized software for determining the degree of similarity, provided by the higher education institution, in the preparation of academic work, in accordance with institutional regulations;
- x) the right to participate in extra-curricular, scientific, technical, cultural-artistic and sports activities, as well as those for students capable of performing, financed from the state budget or from the budgets of higher education institutions;
- y) the right to free wireless internet access for all members of the university community throughout the university. The technical characteristics of the Internet network must allow access to online teaching activities, audio-visual conferences and any other activity specific to the educational process.
- z) the right to have access to all teaching materials related to the teaching activities related to each subject (which may consist of a variety of resources, such as: pre-recorded video lectures, lecture notes in digital format, bibliography with digital access, specific databases, internet documentation facilities, simulations, open educational resources (OER), books, textbooks, volumes, articles, journals in physical or digital format, etc.) free of charge in the university libraries or on the e-Learning platform of the higher education institution and available in the language of the subject;

UNIVERSITY SENATE
P-ta Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timișoara, Romania
Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro
www.umft.ro
·

- (2) UMFVBT may award prizes, scholarships, places in camps and other such incentives to students with outstanding academic performance, as well as to those with outstanding results in their education and professional training, in cultural, civic, voluntary and sports activities, including university sports competitions, based on university autonomy and legal regulations.
- (3) The promotion criteria, as well as the conditions for increasing the grade of a subject are established, in accordance with the university autonomy, in the regulations of UMFVBT.
- (4) Students may not be obliged to participate in more than 8 hours per day of teaching activities stipulated in the curriculum of the study program in which they are enrolled.
- (5) The students have the right to receive consultations with the teaching staff who carry out teaching activities with them during the semester, in accordance with the internal regulations of UMFVBT. For this purpose, each teacher will have at least two hours of consultations per week included in the timetable.
- (6) Students have the right to have their competences acquired in non-formal and informal contexts recognized in accordance with the methodologies approved by order of the Minister of Education.
- (7) A person who has benefited from tuition within a program of university studies financed from the state budget has the right, under the conditions of the law, to follow another program of university studies within the same cycle of university studies:
- a) on a fee-paying basis, if the state higher education institution also organizes the program in this way;
- b) free of charge, with funding from the state budget, provided that the person pays the tuition fees for the tuition services he/she has previously received with funding from the state budget, in full or in part, in cases where the study program to which he/she has been admitted is organized with full funding from the state budget only. Students may pay the tuition fees they have previously received to the Ministry of Education, according to a methodology approved by order of the Minister of Education;
- c) free of charge, only in the case of university professional master's degree programs in joint command, which are mandatory for the development of officers in the military career, as well as in the case of university professional master's degree programs for the training of intelligence officers and for the initial training of police officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs.
- (8) In accordance with the university autonomy UMFVBT may offer partial or total exemptions from tuition fees, based on social criteria, in accordance with its own regulations.

## Art. 10.

- (1) Students have the right to know the mechanisms by which tuition fees and other fees charged by UMFVBT are determined in accordance with the University Charter.
- (2) Students have the right to be informed about the number, type and amount of each fee charged by UMFVBT. The amount of the fees shall be approved by the University Senate and published on the website of higher education institutions at least 3 months before the beginning of each academic year.
- (3) The tuition fee student status shall be changed under the conditions established by the University Senate at the beginning of each academic year.
- (4) UMFVBT may not charge additional fees to students for the process of reclassification from a tuition fee funded place to a state-funded place or vice versa.

# Art. 11.

- (1) Students have the following rights regarding specialized practice:
- a) the right to internship in accordance with the objectives of the university study program, based on the provisions of an institutional regulation on the conduct of specialized practice;
- b) the right to benefit from the coverage of the costs necessary to carry out the joint practice, for the period stipulated in the curricula, including meals, accommodation and transportation, in situations where the

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania
Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro
www.umft.ro

practice is carried out outside the respective university center, according to the provisions of Article 128 para. (25) of Law no. 199/2023, as amended and supplemented;

- c) the right to receive, during the academic year in which the specialized internship will take place, a presentation of the higher education institution's internship partners in the student's field of study;
- d) the right to accommodation in the student dormitories of UMFVBT during the period of compulsory internship, if the internship is carried out in the same university center. If the traineeships are carried out during vacation periods, the fees charged by UMFVBT for student accommodation in the dormitories shall remain unchanged from the fees charged during the academic year;
- e) the right to be assigned an internship tutor, whose duties will be detailed in the institutional regulations governing the internship;
- f) the right to evaluate the quality of the traineeship and to report shortcomings with regard to the traineeship partner;
- g) the right to the recognition of the practice carried out individually, after the evaluation of the degree of achievement of the practice objectives mentioned in the practice discipline and in accordance with the institutional regulation on the conduct of specialized practice.
- (2) The UMFVBT is required to provide a minimum of 50% of the required internship places, of which at least 75% outside the UMFVBT, on the basis of agreements with partners.
- (3) The ways of organizing and evaluating specialized practice will be reflected in mandatory minimum indicators in the process of assessing the quality of study programs.
- (4) UMFVBT shall adopt provisions for the quality assessment of internships.

#### Art. 12.

- (1) Students are represented in all consultative and decision-making structures within UMFVBT, according to the provisions of Law <u>no. 199/2023</u>, with subsequent amendments and additions, and of the University Charter, including in the structures constituted as functional bodies of the governing bodies, established on the basis of university autonomy.
- (2) Students participate in decision making within the UMFVBT, on the basis of the following rights:
- a) the right to elect and to be elected as representatives in the management structures of the higher education institution, according to Law <u>no. 199/2023</u>, with subsequent amendments and additions;
- b) the right to be represented in the university senate, in the faculty council, in the council for doctoral studies, in the ethics committee and in the committee for evaluation and quality assurance, in a minimum proportion of 25%, under the conditions of Law <u>no. 199/2023</u>, with subsequent amendments and additions, and of the University Charter;
- c) the right to be represented in the structures of the higher education institution that manage the social services, including the committees responsible for allocating accommodation, awarding scholarships and allocating places in student camps;
- d) the right to have representatives to participate in the procedures for determining the manner of appointment of the Rector through representatives, as well as in the process of appointing the Rector, regardless of the manner of appointment, in accordance with Article 133 para. (1) <u>lit. (2)</u> of Law no. 199/2023, as subsequently amended and supplemented;
- e) the right to be informed and consulted by student representatives about decisions voted on in the governing structures of the higher education institution of which they are members;
- f) the right to be involved in the process of administration of places in student dormitories, through the establishment of dormitory committees, consisting of the dormitory administrator and a number of student representatives, determined and elected in accordance with the provisions of the internal regulations of the higher education institution;

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania
Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro
www.umft.ro

- g) the right to be given reasons for their absences from academic activities, such as lectures, seminars, laboratories or practical work, in the case of participation in meetings of decision-making bodies as student representatives.
- (3) The status of student representative may not be conditioned by the management of higher education institutions, including in relation to academic performance or attendance at teaching activities. Teaching staff may not be involved in the procedures for electing student representatives, regardless of the level of representation. Interventions are penalized according to the provisions of <u>art. 175</u> of Law no. 199/2023, with subsequent amendments and additions.
- (4) A student may not be a student representative in decision-making structures (faculty council, university senate, board of directors) of the same higher education institution for more than 5 years, regardless of the period during which the mandates have been held and their interruptions, except for the mandates of representation in the Doctoral School Council and the Doctoral Studies Council, which are regulated by the charter.
- (5) A student enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program, who has concluded an individual employment contract with the higher education institution where he/she is enrolled, is incompatible with the status of a student representative in the management structures of the faculty or higher education institution.
- (6) The student representatives in the university senates are elected in electoral constituencies established by the University Charter, by direct, secret and universal vote of the students in those constituencies.
- (7) The process of appointing student members in any consultative, deliberative and executive structures other than those provided for by Law  $\underline{\text{no. } 199/2023}$ , with subsequent amendments and additions, is carried out on the basis of university autonomy and is determined by the students.
- (8) Student federations legally constituted at national level shall appoint representatives to the consultative committees of the Ministry of Education, according to art. 154 para. (3) of Law no. 199/2023, as amended and supplemented.
- (9) The students have the right to participate annually, according to a methodology/procedures adopted by the University Senate, in the evaluation of the work of student representatives. Students' participation in these evaluation processes shall be anonymous and the statistical results of the evaluations shall be disseminated to the students through the official communication channels of the HEI/faculty, as appropriate.
- (10) The internal Methodology/Procedure that regulates the manner in which the process of electing student representatives at UMFVBT level is carried out shall also define mechanisms for the revocation of student representatives.
- (11) Student representatives in the faculty councils are elected by direct, secret and universal vote of the students at faculty level.

#### Art. 13.

- (1) For admission to state and private higher education, for each cycle and program of university studies, citizens of the Member States of the European Union, of the States belonging to the European Economic Area and of the Swiss Confederation, as well as British citizens and their family members, as beneficiaries of the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community 2019/C 384 I/01, may apply under the same conditions provided by law for Romanian citizens, including tuition fees. Admission to military, intelligence, public order and national security higher education is also subject to the conditions of Romanian citizenship and residence in the country, established by law.
- (2) All the study documents issued by the higher education institution, as well as those attesting the student's status, such as certificates, passbooks or ID cards, are issued free of charge, in Romanian and in an internationally recognized language, in original or duplicate.

UNIVERSITY SENATE
P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro www.umft.ro

- (3) Students enrolled in full-time education in accredited higher education institutions benefit from transportation facilities in accordance with the legal provisions, until the age of 30.
- (4) Students benefit from reduced rates of 75% for access to museums, concerts, theatre, opera, film, public sports facilities, as well as other cultural and sports events organized by public institutions, within the limits of approved budgets.
- (5) Baccalaureate graduates from national minorities, from the social welfare system and persons with disabilities benefit annually in each state higher education institution at least 25 places financed from the state budget for both undergraduate and master's degree programs, within the approved enrolment figure, according to the legal provisions.

# Art. 14.

- (1) **Students** have the following rights:
- a) free medical, dental and psychological care in medical and dental surgeries in higher education institutions, polyclinics and hospitals, in accordance with the legislation in force;
- b) accommodation during the whole academic year, including during the periods of the semester semester and/or the periods of the semester of the semester. The fees charged by UMFVBT for student accommodation in dormitories shall remain unchanged throughout the academic year. To the extent that available accommodation does not cover all requests, UMFVBT shall give priority to students in socially disadvantaged situations, according to its own methodology;
- c) subsidies for accommodation for students who choose other forms of accommodation than UMFVBT dormitories, according to the rules adopted by order of the Minister of Education;
- d) the right to have free access to university premises to organize projects for students or to carry out internal extra-curricular activities outside the timetable of teaching and other predetermined activities, in accordance with their own regulations;
- e) the right to report abuses and irregularities and to request the verification and evaluation of these reports by specialized bodies provided for by the legislation in force, as well as the right to protection of those who report according to Law <u>no. 361/2022</u> on the protection of whistleblowers in the public interest, as amended; f) the right to have all their written and signed requests registered or sent to the official e-mail addresses of the UMFVBT and to receive a written or electronic reply to these requests within a maximum of 30 calendar days;
- g) the right to an application deadline of at least 5 working days from the posting of the announcement for competitions organized in UMFVBT, including those for scholarships, camps, accommodation and mobility; h) students from disadvantaged groups defined according to the Law on Social Assistance no. 292/2011, with subsequent amendments and additions, benefit from exemption from tuition fees and completion of studies, under the conditions of their financing by the state, through the budget of the Ministry of Education, according to the legal provisions;
- (i) the right to benefit from a safe and healthy learning environment, including by facilitating access to information on physical and mental health, well-being and counseling services;
- j) the right to have free access to the sports and swimming pools of UMFVBT, to the extent that they exist, outside the timetable of the teaching activities scheduled in these spaces, in accordance with the university institutional regulations.
- (2) UMFVBT may financially support the national and international performance activities of pupils, students and tutors, including by covering participation fees and travel expenses in the country and abroad, in accordance with the legal provisions.
- (3) The UMFVBT may also award prizes, scholarships and other financial incentives to pupils, students with outstanding performances and their supervising teachers, as well as with outstanding results in

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania

Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626

Email: senat@umft.ro

www.umft.ro

ARACIS - 2027 | IAAR (WFME, EQAR, ENQA) - 2026 | EBA (UK) - 2026

extracurricular activities or in cultural and sports activities, and to pupils and students at risk, according to the legal provisions.

(4) Children of staff working in the education system or of those who have retired from the education system, children with one or both parents deceased, children from single-parent families, as well as children from disadvantaged groups defined according to the Law on Social Assistance <u>no. 292/2011</u>, with subsequent amendments and additions, benefit, after the moment of registration, free accommodation in dormitories and boarding schools, being supported by a subsidy for dormitories-canteens increased by the Ministry of Education.

#### Art. 15.

- (1) Students may receive the following types of scholarships from the state budget:
- a) Olympic I/international excellence scholarships;
- b) performance scholarships;
- c) scholarships;
- d) scholarships for teaching master;
- e) scholarships for dual education;
- (f) social grants;
- (g) special scholarships;
- h) sports performance scholarships.
- (2) The scholarships mentioned in <u>para. (1)</u> shall be awarded on the basis of specific criteria established by UMFVBT's own methodologies, in compliance with the legislation in force and with the order of the Minister of Education on the awarding of scholarships and other forms of financial support from the state budget for students and trainees in state higher education, full-time education.
- (3) Students may receive scholarships from UMFVBT's own extra-budgetary income, as well as other types of scholarships, based on a methodology approved by the University Senate.
- (4) Students may benefit from scholarships granted by economic operators and/or local authorities, in compliance with the legislation in force.
- (5) Students may receive scholarships abroad for master's and doctoral studies, postdoctoral and research internships through the Agency for Credits and Scholarships in accordance with Government Decision <u>no.</u> 118/2023.
- (6) Social scholarships may be cumulated with other types of scholarships, if the student fulfills the specific criteria set out in the higher education institutions' own methodologies for both categories of scholarships.
- (7) Scholarships, regardless of category, are awarded for the duration of the academic year (12 months), with the exception of occasional social scholarships. The granting of scholarships shall cease on the date of loss of student status or failure to meet the promotion criteria, as the case may be, in accordance with the UMFVBT's organizational and operating regulations.

# Art. 16.

- (1) Students have the right to benefit from places in student camps (thematic, creative, sports or recreational) organized by the Ministry of Education, higher education institutions and/or the national authority in charge of youth policies through its structures, during the summer and winter holidays, and financed from the state budget or from the budgets of higher education institutions. All arrangements for the organization of student camps shall be made in consultation with the legally established national student federations.
- (2) Within the thematic camps, non-formal vocational training sessions may be organized for which students can receive a number of ECST/ECTS credits, according to the University Charter.

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania

Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626

Email: senat@umft.ro

www.umft.ro

ARACIS - 2027 | IAAR (WFME, EQAR, ENQA) - 2026 | EBA (UK) - 2026

- (3) Students may participate in voluntary actions, for which they may receive an additional number of transferable study credits, as well as financial incentives, under the conditions established by the university charter or specific regulations.
- (4) Students have the right to benefit from "Second Chance" or "First Student in Family" re-enrolment and reintegration programs, remedial teaching activities or financial support programs.

## Art. 17.

Throughout the duration of the work-based learning activity, the student enrolled in the form of dual higher education benefits from the recognition of seniority in work and specialty, without the payment of mandatory social contributions regulated by Law <u>no. 227/2015</u> on the <u>Tax Code</u>, with subsequent amendments and additions.

## Art. 18.

- (1) Students have the following obligations:
- a) to fulfill all the tasks assigned to them according to the syllabus and according to the subject sheets;
- b) to respect the Charter, regulations and decisions of the UMFVBT;
- c) to participate in the meetings of the UMFVBTr governing structures as elected student representatives;
- d) to respect the quality standards imposed by the UMFVBT;
- e) to respect other people's copyrights and to recognize the authorship of the information presented in the works:
- f) to abide by the provisions of the UMFVBT Code of Ethics and Academic Deontology;
- g) to prepare and defend discipline-level assessment papers and original final papers;
- h) to report to the competent authorities any irregularities in the educational process and related activities;
- i) to participate in academic activities without being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or other prohibited substances;
- j) not to use inappropriate language and behavior;
- k) to make appropriate use, as intended, of all facilities and subsidies received;
- 1) to respect cleanliness, peace and order in the university premises;
- m) to preserve the integrity and proper functioning of the material base placed at their disposal by higher education institutions;
- n) to bear the payment of any damages to the material base made available to them by the UMFVBT;
- o) to inform the competent authorities of the existence of any situation that might influence the smooth running of individual and general study activities;
- p) to fulfill the financial commitments imposed by the institution of study, under the conditions set out in the study contract;
- q) to comply with the obligations set out in the individual study and practical training contract concluded with the higher education institution and the economic operator, in the case of dual education;
- r) to sign the study contract at the beginning of each study cycle.
- (2) Student representatives elected in the governing structures of UMFVBT have the following specific obligations:
- a) to regularly consult students on their needs and interests, as well as on the decisions and proposals that they would support in the meetings of the UMFVBT's governing structures;
- b) to draw up, at least twice a year, activity reports presenting all the initiatives and steps taken. The student representatives' activity reports will be published on the UMFVBT website.

#### Art. 19.

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania
Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626
Email: senat@umft.ro

www.umft.ro

ARACIS - 2027 | IAAR (WFME, EQAR, ENQA) - 2026 | EBA (UK) - 2026

Students are encouraged to participate in the implementation of the National Dropout Reduction <u>Program</u>, in accordance with Art. 121 <u>paras. (7)</u> and <u>(8)</u> of the Law on Higher Education no. 199/2023, as amended and supplemented.

## Art. 20.

- (1) The national federations of student organizations shall draw up an annual report on the observance of the provisions of this Code at the level of the national higher education system.
- (2) National student federations, legally constituted, are the bodies that express the interests of students in higher education institutions in relation to state institutions.
- (3) The Ministry of Education shall cooperate with the legally constituted national student federations for the development of higher education, consulting them periodically on issues related to the improvement of the higher education system in Romania.

## Art. 21.

This code has been developed based on the principles of student-centered learning, focusing on the student and his/her learning needs.

#### Art. 22.

Violation of the rights and obligations provided by this code shall entail sanctions under Articles 171, 172, 174 and 175 of Law no. 199/2023, with subsequent amendments and additions.

#### Art. 23.

The Senate of the "Victor Babeş" University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Timişoara approved this Code in the meeting of 26.07.2024, the date on which it enters into force.

SSMT President, Stud. Alexandra Florentina Spurs

TDSA President, Stud. Crăciun Puiu Andrei

LSFT President, Stud. Păcurar Andra Tiberia

President EMSA - TM, Stud. Goldiş Christian

The holograph signature is affixed on the original version of the document which is kept in the University Senate archives. This act shall have the same legal force as the original document.

UNIVERSITY SENATE

P-ţa Eftimie Murgu, nr. 2, code 300041, Timişoara, Romania Tel: +40256293389; Fax: +40256490626 Email: senat@umft.ro

www.umft.ro