

AGREEMENT ON SHORT-TERM PHD STUDENT EXCHANGE

This Agreement is concluded between University of Zagreb, Faculty of Kinesiology and Comenius University Bratislava Faculty of Physical Education and Sport hereinafter jointly referred to as “Faculties”.

Article 1 – Purpose of the Agreement

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a framework for short-term, structured doctoral (PhD) student exchanges between the Faculties. The Agreement aims to enhance academic cooperation, strengthen internationalization, and improve the quality and competitiveness of doctoral programs at both institutions.

Article 2 – Forms of Cooperation

2.1 Short-Term Research Visits

PhD candidates may participate in short-term research visits of a minimum duration of three (3) days. Activities may include methodological training, data collection, familiarization with scientific equipment, expert consultations, and laboratory-based research. Each visiting PhD candidate may be assigned a local PhD student as a tutor. Upon completion, the host institution shall issue official confirmation of participation and competencies achieved.

2.2 Accredited PhD-Level Short Courses

PhD candidates may attend doctoral-level short courses, typically organized in an extent of 4 to 8 hours of lectures and over 2 to 4 days. Such courses may be recognized through ECTS credits by sending Faculty and integrated into the doctoral curriculum of the sending institution. Reciprocal organization of such courses is encouraged, with a recommended number of 3 to 6 PhD students per group.

2.3 Other Doctoral Activities

Additional activities such as workshops, seminars, laboratory rotations, or specialized research methodology modules may be agreed upon on a case-by-case basis and accredited within the doctoral programs of the sending institution.

Article 3 – Number of Participants

The Parties anticipate three (3) to five (5) PhD student exchanges per academic year. Exchanges may be organized as individual or group visits to ensure efficiency and minimize administrative burden.

Article 4 – Financial Arrangements

Travel and accommodation costs shall be covered by the PhD students themselves or the sending institution. Participation in academic activities, including lectures and laboratory visits, shall be offered by the host institution without additional registration or participation fees, unless otherwise agreed in advance. The host institution may, in accordance with its internal regulations, financially remunerate lecturers who deliver short doctoral-level courses.

Article 5 – Coordination and Implementation

Each Faculty shall appoint an academic coordinator responsible for implementation, coordination of activities, and recognition of completed doctoral obligations.

Article 6 – Duration of the Agreement

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature by both Faculties and shall remain valid for a period agreed upon by the Parties, unless amended or terminated by mutual written consent.

Article 7 – Final Provisions

Any amendments to this Agreement must be made in writing and agreed upon by both Faculties. Matters not regulated by this Agreement shall be governed by applicable institutional regulations.

Signed in two originals:

For the University of Zagreb Faculty of Kinesiology

Name:

Title:

Date:

Signature:

For the Comenius University Bratislava Faculty of Physical Education and Sport

Name:

Title:

Date:

Signature: