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Strategy of international cooperation and internationalization of the National University of Ostroh Academy for 2017-2022

The National University of Ostroh Academy (NUOA) contributes to the promotion of the European standards of higher education through supporting of the mobility of students, scientific and administrative staff, development of the modern curriculum fitted to the requirements of the current labor market, implementation of cultural projects and programs.

The NUOA is cooperating with many foreign universities on a basis of the international agreements of academic cooperation. The main goals of the NUOA's international academic cooperation are the following:

- implementation of the international mobility projects in frames of Erasmus+ in 2014-2020; Support of the international mobility of the students and staff in frames of the international projects;
- foreign internships of the students;
- promotion of intercultural dialogue through cultural activities and joint implementation of international cultural projects;
- intensification of the NUOA's cooperation with the international partners leading to development of the joint undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate programs with double diplomas or the diplomas of both universities, joint scientific researches, mobility of the students, academic and administrative staff.

Continuation of the policy is foreseen for the following years considering the increased amount of interest in participation at the international programs among the students and the NUOA staff.

One of the main tasks and goals of the NUOA in the nearest future is to increase the number of the international students studying at the NUOA. Therefore, the university is planning to develop a greater number of the courses in English at all the Departments and create more joint international educational programs. The NUOA intends to systematically expand the number of the international students encouraging the improvement of the international communication and better understanding of the representatives of different cultural environments.

It is planned to intensify the activities focused at the mobility of the academic and administrational staff. They will be encouraged to gain the international experience in teaching abroad and improve their professional skills and qualifications.

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The NUOA recognizes a great importance of teaching foreign languages and practical focus on developing the student's foreign language skills. The new methods of teaching and close cooperation with the international institutions and organizations are being used in the educational process. Improvement of teaching the foreign languages is possible due to the introduction of the courses of professional foreign languages and the use of new modern educational forms: application of the modern multimedia teaching techniques in teaching a foreign language, individual approach to education, language contests etc. It is planned to increase the number of the students taking additional language tests.

The NUOA has developed the flexible and transparent procedures related to the educational process and international internships for the students and academic and administrative staff. The regulations clearly define the conditions of selection for the international programs, internships abroad and reporting.

The National University of Ostroh Academy has drawn the following strategic goals in frames of implementing the strategy of internationalization of the university:

- participation in the European educational programs in 2017-2022;
- continuation of cooperation with the partner universities from the EU countries, with which the NUOA cooperates on a basis of the signed Agreements and Memoranda of Academic Cooperation;
- preparation of the English-taught courses for the international students;
- further activities for developing the new partner cooperation with the Universities of the EU countries;
- intensification of cooperation with foreign partners in the field of culture in order to raise awareness of the importance of culture for social cohesion and the formation of the younger generation;
- assistance to the students and personnel in learning foreign languages and receiving the language certificates.

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