

THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS OF JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMMES

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NATIONAL ACCREDITATION BUREAU FOR HIGHER EDUCATION (NAB)

- Established 1 September 2016
- Authority to issue decisions on accreditation of study programmes and to apply sanctions
- Authority to carry out evaluation of the quality of higher education institutions
- Executive body: Board of 15 members
- Appeals Committee

ACCREDITATION OF STUDY PROGRAMMES

- Accreditation is granted for up to 10 years
- Study programmes are assessed for compliance with the higher education act and the standards for accreditation
 - *Institutional context*
 - *Content of study programme*
 - *Academic staff*
 - *Creative activities (research)*
 - *Material, financial, information resources*
- Requirements differ for each type and profile of study programme

ACCREDITATION OF JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMMES

- § 47a of the Higher Education Act
- Agreement between participating institutions
- Application incl. all attachments and self-evaluation report is required **but**
 - *Modified study plan (B-II)*
 - The following to be submitted only in relation to the domestic part of the programme: *course descriptions (B-III), teaching staff (C-I), creative activities (C-II) & information, material, financial resources (C-III, C-IV, C-V)*
- Accreditation system and application status in the home country of the partner institution

ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS

- Three-level assessment process
 - Evaluation committee
 - Reporter for given field of study
 - Board of the NAB
- Decision within 120 days

ACCREDITATION DECISION

- Lawful reasons for a negative decision (refusal to grant accreditation)
 - Study programme does not comply with part 4 of the Higher Education Act
 - Study programme does not comply with the standards for accreditation
 - Study programme does not have sufficient academic staff or other resources
 - Institution has not created sufficient conditions for teaching and creative activities
 - Institution does not have a functional internal system of quality assurance and evaluation
 - Application contained incorrect information that was decisive for accreditation
 - (Regulatory body has not issued an affirmative statement to the study programme in the case of regulated professions)

METHODICAL GUIDELINES AND SUPPORT

- Recommended templates for all attachments
- Outline of self-evaluation report
- Guidelines for assessment: elaboration and interpretation of standards

<https://www.nauvs.cz/index.php/cs/metodiky/71-metodicke-materialy-pro-pripravu-a-hodnoceni-zadosti-o-akreditaci-studijniho-programu>

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