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Article 1

Basic Provisions

- (1) The admission procedure and **studies of international students and students that are citizens of the Czech Republic** (hereinafter referred to as "students") studying in an accredited **degree programme taught in a foreign language** at Tomas Bata University in Zlín (hereinafter referred to as "TBU") and at its component units adhere to Act No. 111/1998 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions and on Alterations and Amendments to other Acts (Higher Education Act) as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and to TBU internal regulations. This Directive does not apply to studies within the Erasmus programme and to other short-term exchange programmes.
- (2) In this Regulation, an international student (hereinafter referred to as "foreigner") is an individual who is not a citizen of the Czech Republic. The conditions for foreigners' stay in the Czech Republic are regulated by special rules.

Article 2

Admission to Study, Enrolment for Study and Studies in a Foreign Language

- (1) Admission to study and admission procedures are regulated in the Czech legal system in § 48, § 49 and § 50 of the Act.
- (2) TBU and its component units admit to study in degree programmes taught in a foreign language those applicants who demonstrate foreign language (English) proficiency at a minimum level of the B2 Certificate of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages unless stated otherwise in the faculty directive on the publically announced admissions procedure for the given academic year. The required foreign language competence shall be evidenced by the applicant by means of a relevant certificate. For applicants from countries where the foreign language in question (English) is the official language and for graduates from a degree programme taught in a foreign language (English) and preceding the programme which the applicants have applied for study in, it is not necessary to provide documentary evidence of language proficiency by submitting the relevant certificate.
- (3) In compliance with the TBU Statute (Article 13, Paragraph 3) the fees relating to admission procedure are not to be paid in the case of degree programmes accredited in a foreign language.

- (4) Further conditions for admission to study in a foreign language shall be annually stipulated in a directive issued by the TBU faculty providing the relevant degree programme and in Rector's Directive 1/2011 (Recognition of Secondary and Higher Education and Qualification Acquired Abroad).
- (5) Enrolment for study takes place in compliance with the TBU Statute (Art. 11) on dates set by the relevant faculty.
- (6) Further conditions for studies at TBU shall be stipulated in the TBU Study and Examination Rules and in the relevant Directive issued by the respective Faculty.

Article 3 **Fees for Tuition in a Foreign Language**

- (1) Tuition fees for studies in degree programmes taught in a foreign language must be paid by all students studying in these programmes.
- (2) The amount of the fee for a degree programme taught in a foreign language, in compliance with Section 58 of Art. 5 of the Act, shall be stipulated based on the consent of the Rector in a directive on the publically announced admission procedure issued by the faculty providing the relevant degree programme based on the average costs per student studying in the relevant degree programme.
- (3) The fee for study in a degree programme taught in a foreign language falls due on the dates mentioned in the faculty directives on the publically announced admission procedure.
- (4) The fee paid for tuition in a foreign language is non-refundable in the case of closure of studies under Section 56 Paragraph 1 Letter a), b) and e) of the Act. The fee paid for tuition in a foreign language is partially refundable in the case of termination of studies due to serious health problems attested by a doctor's certificate, in accordance with Section 56 Para. 1 Letter a) of the Act. TBU shall refund a part of the fee paid for tuition in a foreign language after deducting the expenses already covered. The request has to be considered by the TBU Rector.
- (5) The fees for tuition in a degree programme taught in a foreign language may be reduced or waived, or the due date may be extended by the TBU Rector upon duly justified request for a review of a decision on the amount of the fee for study in a degree programme taught in a foreign language, and that taking into consideration the student's previous outstanding or above average academic performance and his/her social situation.
- (6) Students are not legally entitled to claim a return, a reduction and/or a waiver of the fee for study in a degree programme taught in a foreign language, or to ask for a due date extension regarding the fee for study in a degree programme taught in a foreign language in accordance with Sections (4) and (5) of this Article.

Article 4 **Student Responsibilities**

- (1) All students who study at TBU in a foreign language are obliged to fulfil their study-related duties arising from the degree programme they have enrolled on.
- (2) In the course of their studies students adhere to the Act, to the TBU Statute and to other TBU internal regulations, particularly to the TBU Study and Examination Rules and to internal regulations of the faculty at which they study.
- (3) A foreigner is obliged to have a residence permit/long-term visa and medical insurance valid in the Czech Republic throughout the entire period of his/her studies.

Article 5
Accommodation and Catering

- (1) Students studying at TBU in accredited degree programmes taught in a foreign language may be accommodated in the Halls of Residence and take their meals in the Refectory on equal terms as other students.
- (2) A student is accommodated at his/her own expense and is obliged to adhere to the Residence Halls Rules and instructions issued by the Halls of Residence management. Non-observance of these rules and regulations may result in expulsion from the Halls of Residence. In such a case TBU is not obliged to arrange substitute accommodation for the student.

Article 6
Final Provisions

- (1) Short-term study abroad programmes and internships are regulated by Rector's Directive No. 3/2010 from 1 January 2010.
- (2) Studies of international students in degree programmes taught in the Czech language are regulated by Rector's Directive No. 3/2011 from 15 January 2011.
- (3) This Directive replaces Rector's Directive No. 3/2009 from 9 February 2009 and abrogates Rector's Decision 2/2009 from 11 February 2009.