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# Accreditation of study programmes

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- **Quality Assurance in Science and Higher Education Act (April, 2009)**
- **University of Rijeka Senate adopted the Rule Book on the University of Rijeka Study Programme Accreditation on July 14th 2009**
- **Integral part of Rule Book are forms which each university constituent is obliged to fulfil upon either applying for new or amending the existing study programmes**



# Accreditation of study programmes

- **Accreditation Committee**
  - 7 people (members of Expert Council of Centre for studies)
- **Rule Book on the University of Rijeka Study Programme Accreditation**
  - defines procedures of application for new or amending the existing study programmes
- **Forms for accreditation**
  - a) Description of study programme form
  - b) Description of spatial and personal conditions for study programme form
  - c) Financial analysis of higher institution form
  - d) Quality assurance and study programme implementation efficiency form

([www.uniri.hr](http://www.uniri.hr); documents)



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## PROCEDURE FOR INITIAL ACCREDITATION OF STUDY PROGRAMMES

### WHO CAN APPLY?

- A request for a study programme accreditation can be submitted by the scientific and teaching constituent of the University of Rijeka, either individually or in collaboration.

### APPLICATION RULES

- The request must be written **in Croatian and English**, and must consist of all scientific, professional, administrative and financial data requested in the application form.



# Accreditation of study programmes

- Represents a considerably significant and important process
- Objective to insist on a professional aspect and excellence of study programmes

Special attention paid to:

- **Transparency** (process clearly explained and accessible to all parties, feedback provided)
- **Equality of treatment** (equal treatment for all study programme proposals)
- **Impartiality** (evaluation of all proposals is based on their value, conducted by an independent reviewers evaluation)
- **Efficiency and speed** (process conducted within the shortest possible time-frame, along with high quality and respecting the legal framework)



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## PROGRAMME REVIEWERS

- **Each new study programme evaluated by at least 2 anonymous reviewers**
- **Independent experts appointed by the Expert Council of the Centre for Studies**
- **Internationally recognized authorities of relevant scientific field with highest level of proficiency**
- **Upon nomination reviewers sign a Conflict of Interest Declaration, confirming they are not directly or indirectly involved in the study programme they are responsible for evaluating**



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## Changes and amendments of existing study programmes

- Instruction on amendment of study programmes
- Form on amendment of study programmes





**THANK YOU!**

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