

# REGULATIONS FOR SCIENTIFIC-RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Pursuant to Law no. 04 / L-037 on Higher Education in the Republic of Kosovo and the Statute of AAB College, the Senate in its meeting held on 17/12/2021 approves this:

#### REGULATIONS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

#### Article 1

#### **Purpose**

- 1. Scientific research at AAB College aims to advance, create and disseminate knowledge in order to improve the well-being and health of the population, as well as the cultural, social and economic development.
- 2. The purpose of this regulation is to set out general principles and guidelines to promote good research practice in all disciplines and fields of study at AAB College.

#### Article 2

# **Scientific principles**

- 1. Research at AAB College coincides with the core values of academic quality and the impact of research on the development of knowledge and the society as follows:
  - 1.1. Academic quality is in line with European principles and standards of excellence, academic integrity, and open science.
  - 1.2. The impact of scientific research is defined in terms of its contribution in the relevant scientific fields and in society.

#### Article 3

# **Good scientific practices**

- 1. Scientific-research activities at AAB College are based on good research practices which correspond to the European principles of integrity and scientific ethics.
- 2. Research integrity obliges the academic staff to adhere to the ethical principles defined in the Code of Ethics for Scientific Research.
- 3. The academic staff in their scientific research work adhere to the ethical principles of their field.
- 4. The academic staff, in their scientific research work, adhere to the legal provisions related to intellectual property.



5. The good scientific practices at AAB College are in line with the European principles on Open Science and ensure the transparency of the results of scientific research and publications.

#### Article 4

#### **Scientific research Infrastructure**

- 1. AAB College provides a suitable infrastructural environment for the scientific activity of the academic staff, researchers and students as follows:
  - 1.1. Provides support services for scientific activities through the Office of the Vice Rector for Science and Research.
  - 1.2. Establishes scientific research centers which aim at the development of scientific-research interactions with a special scientific or multidisciplinary character.
  - 1.3. Enables scientific activities through the institutional journal *Thesis*.
  - 1.4. Supports the activity of the academic staff though the publishing house.
  - 1.5. Enables the scientific activities of professors and students at the faculty level through bachelor and master programs.
  - 1.6. Ensures the integration of research as an essential component in teaching in undergraduate and graduate studies.

#### Article 5

# Scientific research

- 1. The development of research and scientific research in AAB College includes:
  - 1.1. Thematic research of the faculties which is completed with holding of scientific conferences
  - 1.2. Research conducted by Research Centers and faculties, and/or in collaboration with other partners
  - 1.3. Individual research of the academic staff

# Article 6

#### Scientific work of the academic staff

1. AAB College defends the provisions of academic freedom of scholars by encouraging freedom of choice on the nature of research and free expression of critical and academic thought.



- 2. Regular academic staff is obliged to publish scientific papers with AAB as the research institution (affiliation).
- 3. Regular academic staff contributes to the advancement of scientific culture at AAB College by publishing at least once a year in accordance with the contractual provisions.
- 4. Regular academic staff is obliged to contribute to the advancement of scientific culture at AAB College by participating in various scientific activities organized at the institutional level, including regional and international scientific conferences and institutional research projects.
- 5. Regular academic staff are encouraged to contribute to collegial scientific interactions by applying for institutional grants for multidisciplinary scientific projects.
- 6. Regular academic staff if obliged to include students in institutional research projects.
- 7. Regular academic staff is obliged to integrate science as integral component of teaching at the bachelor and master level.
- 8. Academic staff is obliged to attend trainings on research and scientific activity.

#### Article 7

# Student scientific work and theses

- 1. In accordance with the internal acts of the institution, the students of AAB College are obliged to perform scientific work through the diploma thesis at the bachelor and master levels.
- 2. The students' scientific work complies with the provisions set out in the Regulations for Master Studies and in the Code of Ethics.
- 3. The students' scientific work is monitored by the Commission of the Master Studies and the appointed mentor.
- 4. The students' scientific work which results in a Master project is transparent and is made publiv in the AAB database and library.

# Article 8

# **Scientific Valorization**

- 1. Valorization of scientific work is defined in the Regulation for Advancement of Academic staff.
- 2. Valorization of scientific work may change in order to coincide with the national legal advances and the provisions set by the local accreditation body.



- 3. Researchers at AAB College are encouraged to disseminate their scientific work through publications in quality journals indexed on internationally recognized databases.
- 4. Valorization of scientific work serves as a basis for funding, as defined in the Grant Regulation.
- 5. The evaluation of scientific work of researchers and academic staff at AAB College is transparent and public.

### Article 9

# **Research funding**

- 1. In accordance with the Institutional Regulation on Grants, AAB College supports the research activity of regular academic staff through:
  - 1.1. Financing of scientific/ artistic/ professional publications.
  - 1.2. Financing of the interdisciplinary scientific projects.
  - 1.3. Financing of regional and international conferences.

#### Article 10

# Reporting and accountability

- 1. Reporting and accountability of the academic staff on research activity is regulated through contractual provisions.
- 2. Reporting and accountability for the research activity of the academic staff throughout the faculties is done to the Vice Rector for Science and Research.
- 3. Reporting and Accountability for the research activity at the institutional level is done to the Rector.

## Article 11

#### **Entry into force**

This regulation enters into force after approval by the Senate and signature by the Rector.

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The Senate of AAB College, in the meeting held on 17.12.2021 made this:

# DECISION

1. The Regulation for Scientific Activities – Research is approved.

The decision should be delivered to:

- 1. Vice-rectors
- 2. Secretary
- 3. Deans

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