

All attendance classes at the University of Forestry have been cancelled with effect from 16.03.2020 to 29.03.2020 and replaced by distance learning

By Order No. 3ПC-107/16.03.2020 of the Rector of the University of Forestry - Corresp. member, Prof. DSc. Ivan Iliev, all attendance classes have been cancelled with effect from 16.03.2020 to 29.03.2020 and shall be replaced by e-learning and distance learning.

The present order contains the following measures and restrictions, applying to all students and PhD students, trained in English language:

1. The cancellation of the attendance classes at the University of Forestry is extended until 29.03.2020, inclusive.

2. All scheduled state exams, graduation theses defences, student exams and public dissertation theses defences shall be postponed. In cases when it is impossible to postpone the defences for acquisition of the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" and the scientific degree "Doctor of Sciences", they shall be conducted upon the written agreement with the academic management of the University.

The timetable for conducting exams with the part-time students and equivalency exams shall be updated in accordance with the resumption of attendance classes.

3. The training shall be conducted in absentia by distance learning means until the resumption of attendance classes. The potential and benefits of the Blackboard e-learning platform shall be used. The lecturers shall send the respective training materials to the administrative student groups by e-mail (presentations, explanatory texts, sample tests, references, tasks and case studies, etc.). Deans and the Head of the Centre for Continuing Education may specify the way and organization of the non-attendance training by coordinating their instructions with the Vice Rector of educational activities.

The decisions on doctoral procedures that cannot be postponed shall be agreed in writing with the academic management of the University.

The training after the resumption of the attendance classes shall be conducted in accordance with an updated training timetable.

4. All student practices shall be postponed. The timetable for conducting the practical training shall be updated in accordance with the additional instructions, provided after the resumption of the attendance classes.

The internships in external institutions shall be held in accordance with the requirements of the respective host organization.

6. All mass events, held at the University of Forestry, including conferences, discussions, public lectures and other events, sporting events, Academic Council sessions, committees, department and faculty council sessions, meetings, etc., shall be suspended. The operational and urgent decisions, taken by the Academic Council, faculty and department councils and committees, shall be discussed and voted on electronically.

The postponement of all planned events and activities is recommended for a period not earlier than the end of April. The events that cannot be postponed shall be held upon a written agreement with the academic management of the University.

7. All business trips and travels abroad of the academic staff, administrative staff and students shall be cancelled, including mobility and internships.

8. All mobilities, internships, working visits, etc. of foreign lecturers, researchers, scientists, students and guests shall be cancelled.

9. The visits of outsiders and holding of mass gatherings and celebrations at the student dormitory and student centres of the University of Forestry shall be forbidden.

11. The access of students, lecturers and outsiders to the training facilities of the University of Forestry shall be forbidden, with the exception of the people included in the timetable. The communication by and between the employees shall be conducted by telephone and/or e-mail. In case of urgent need, persons shall be admitted to the facilities of the University upon telephone confirmation to the security officer by the Rector or the Assistant Rector. The admission of persons in quarantine or having symptoms of acute respiratory illness is prohibited.

In case of urgent needs, lecturers and employees shall be admitted to the facilities of the University in registration regime.

The access to the University facilities shall be provided from one entrance only in each building.

14. All members of the academic staff, administrative staff and students, returning from abroad, as well as the foreign lecturers, researchers and students, arrived from abroad after 01.03.2020 shall be obliged to undergo a 14-day quarantine period.

14. All payments shall be made only by bank transfer.

15. All travels abroad shall be prohibited.

17. The work of student canteens shall be terminated during the period specified in item 1.

18. The provision of disinfection and hygiene materials shall continue. The persons, responsible for the sanitation, shall arrange the disinfection of all floors and surfaces at the facilities of the University of Forestry.