



Quality Council

- (1) The quality council is a permanent academic body of the school and an advisory body of the rector, which, in terms of education quality standards, is an independent structure of the school's internal system with competences and responsibilities in the scope of binding norms and education quality standards.
- (2) Members of the Quality Council are appointed and dismissed by the rector of the school after approval by the Scientific Council of VŠM. The council has a chairman and members, while the principle of independence is preserved, i.e. j. the board members are not school employees.
- (3) The status and activities of the quality council are governed by this internal regulation.
- (4) The meeting of the quality council is convened as necessary by the chairman of the council and manages its activities in such a way as to ensure compliance of the internal system with the Standards for the internal system of quality assurance of higher education, the Standards for the study program issued by the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education, according to Act no. 269/2018 Coll. on ensuring the quality of higher education and amending Act no. 343/2015 Coll. on public procurement and on the amendment of certain laws, as amended.
- (5) The rector and vice-rectors of the school, or other employees or students, may be invited to the meeting.
- (6) The Quality Council monitors and evaluates the internal system of the school, its study programs and related activities in relation to their compliance with the Act on Higher Education Institutions, the Act on Quality Assurance and other generally binding legal regulations, education quality standards, European standards, as well as the statute school and its long-term intention.
- (7) The quality council proposes corrective and preventive measures to the rector of the school related to the construction, evaluation and correction of the internal system and submits suggestions for improvement with the aim of increasing the quality and performance of controlled processes.
- (8) The Quality Council approves:
 - a) the school's request for a decision by the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education on the compliance of the school's internal system with the standards for the internal system and receives internal evaluation reports regarding the creation, functionality, implementation and use of the school's internal system and its compliance with standards for the quality of education,

- b) proposals regarding study programs before their submission to the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education by the rector of the school (the so-called "SPE descriptions"),
 - c) internal regulation "Council of the study program at the School of Management", as well as its amendments as an integral part of the internal regulation Internal system for ensuring the quality of higher education at VŠM,
 - d) internal regulation "Rules for continuous monitoring, periodic evaluation and periodic approval of study programs at VŠM", as well as its amendments as an integral part of the internal regulation Internal system for ensuring the quality of higher education at VŠM
 - e) the internal regulation "Rules for the design and approval of a new study program, adjustment and cancellation of the study program at the School of Management", as well as its amendments and additions, as an integral part of the internal regulation Internal system for ensuring the quality of higher education at VŠM,
 - f) proposals regarding study programs before the decision of the rector of the school, if the restrictions to create, implement and modify these study programs in individual fields and degrees of study have been lifted based on the decision of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education on the compliance of the internal system of the school with the standards for the internal system.
- d) an internal evaluation report on the implementation of the internal system.

(9) The quality council discusses the school's internal regulation governing the internal system of quality assurance of higher education, as well as its amendments, before deliberation in the scientific council and before approval in the academic senate of the school.

(10) When establishing the quality council, the principle of independence and involvement of interested parties as actors of the school and the principle of ensuring independent, unbiased, objective and professional assessment and evaluation, as well as the drafting and approval of all resolutions adopted in the areas of creation and implementation of the internal system, are applied in the personnel area schools and the creation, changes, modifications and cancellation of study programs.

(11) Decisions made by the quality council in the area of quality assurance and internal system management are binding for all employees of VŠM.

Activities of the Council for the Internal Quality Assurance System of VŠM (hereinafter referred to as the "Quality Council")

The members of the Quality Council at VŠM are:

doc. Ing. Iveta Paulová, PhD., MBA – chairwoman, ÚNMS
David Brent Griffin, PhD., M.A – City University of Seattle, WA, USA
prof. Ing. Jaroslav Nenadál, PhD. – VŠB-TU Ostrava
PhDr. Adriana Krupová, PhD. – TU Trnava
Ing. Adriana Gálisová, PhD. – SE Bordnetze - Slovakia s.r.o. (SEBN), Central Quality Management, quality director for customer centers
Sofia Srncová – VSM student¹⁾

¹⁾ The student currently studying at VŠM and proposed by the students part of the Academic community was additionally included in the Quality Council.

The members of the quality board were proposed by the rector of VŠM and submitted for approval to the Scientific Council of VŠM. The Scientific Council of VŠM approved the composition of the Quality Council on May 29, 2022 by all votes.

Due to the fact that its members are both foreign and from different places in Slovakia, the Quality Council at VŠM negotiates exclusively online, either through meetings via MS Teams, emails or phone calls. The chairwoman of the council communicates as needed either with all members at the meeting or with individual members individually.

In the initial meetings, in which the rector of VŠM also participated, the content was primarily about clarifying the scope, competences, powers and tasks of the quality council. Subsequently, materials were gradually distributed to the members, which were needed based on:

- Standards for the internal system of quality assurance of higher education
- Standards for the study program
- Act 131/2002 Coll. on universities and on amendments to certain laws
- Act 269/2018 Coll. on ensuring the quality of higher education and amending Act no. 343/2015 Coll. on public procurement and on the amendment of certain laws, as amended
- other internal regulations of VŠM.

The materials that the quality board assessed, commented on them, or approved:

1. Internal regulation The Council of the study program (approves)
2. Description of study programs (approves)
3. Internal regulation Internal system of ensuring the quality of higher education at VŠM (comments on)
4. Internal evaluation report on the implementation of the internal system (approves)
5. Internal regulations Rules for continuous monitoring, periodic evaluation and periodic approval of study programs at VŠM (comments on)
6. Internal regulation "Rules for the design and approval of a new study program, modification and cancellation of a study program at the University of Management" (comments on)

Resolutions from the negotiations of the Council for the internal system of quality assurance of VŠM

Resolution from June 15, 2022:

The Quality Council assessed the internal regulation of the "Council of the Study Program" (hereinafter referred to as the "Study Program Council"), which was submitted to it by the rector of VŠM. The members of the SP Council were appointed by the rector of VŠM in the following composition:

Dr.h.c. prof. Ing. Edita Hekelová, PhD. - Chairwoman (internal member from VŠM)

doc. Ing. Mária Tajtáková, PhD. – vice chairwoman (internal member from VŠM)

prof. Ing. Milan Terek, PhD. – member (internal member from VŠM)

doc. Ing. Ľubica Černá, PhD. - member (internal member from VŠM)

Ing. Daniela Maťovčíková, PhD. - member (internal member from VŠM)

prof. Ing. Mariana Sedliačiková, PhD. - member (external member from the academic environment)

Mgr. Petrana Erdelská - member (from practice)

Kristína Horváthová - member (student)

After mutual consultations, a resolution from June 15, 2022 was passed.

Resolution no. 1: The Quality Council **approves** the internal regulation of the Study Program Council at VŠM by all votes.

During the months of June - July of 2022, the Quality Council received the following materials for assessment, comments and approval.

- description of Business Management study programs for all levels, forms and language versions of teaching.

- internal regulation The Internal Quality Assurance System of VŠM (which will subsequently be submitted for comment to the Scientific Council of VŠM and submitted for approval to the Academic Senate of VŠM):

After mutual consultations of the members of the quality council, consultation of some remarks with the rector of VŠM and their incorporation, the chairman of the council formulated the following resolutions:

Resolution from August 5, 2022:

Resolution no. 1: The Quality Council of VŠM **approves** the proposal to align the Business Management study program in the Economics and Management study field with the Study Program Standards of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education:

Business management, 1st degree, daily form, in the Slovak language

Business management, 1st degree, external form, in the Slovak language

Business management, 1st degree, daily form yily form, in English language

Business management, 1st degree, external form, in English language

Business management, 2nd level, daily course, in the Slovak language

Business management, 2nd degree, external form, in the Slovak language

Business management, 2nd degree, daily form, in English language

Business management, 2nd degree, external form, in English language

Resolution no. 2: The VŠM Quality Council discussed and took note of the VŠM internal regulation Internal Quality Assurance System presented by the VŠM rector with comments that were accepted and implemented by the VŠM.

Resolution no. 3: The Quality Council of VŠM **approves** the proposal to confirm the alignment of VŠM's internal system with the standards of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education and authorizes the Rector of VŠM to inform the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education about the fact that VŠM's internal system and its implementation are in accordance with the Standards of the Slovak Accreditation Agency agencies for higher education in the sense of the first sentence §37 paragraph 1 of Act no. 269/2018 Coll. on ensuring the quality of higher education.

In August, the Rector submitted to the Quality Council for assessment and comment the Internal Regulation "Rules for continuous monitoring, periodic evaluation and periodic approval of study programs at VŠM" and the Internal Regulation "Rules for the proposal and approval of a new study program, modification and cancellation of a study program at the University management", which were discussed in the VŠM Scientific Council on August 11, 2022 with the positive opinion of all its members and which will be submitted for approval by the AS VŠM.

It was accepted after mutual consultations and the incorporation of comments by the Higher Education and Research Council.

Resolution from August 15, 2022

Resolution no. 1: The Quality Council **discussed** the Internal Regulation "Rules for continuous monitoring, periodic evaluation and periodic approval of study programs at VŠM" and recommends it for approval by the AS VŠM.

Resolution no. 2: The Quality Council **discussed** the Internal Regulation "Rules for the design and approval of a new study program, modification and cancellation of a study program at the University of Management" and recommends it for **approval** by the AS VŠM.

In December 2022, the Internal Regulation "Internal evaluation report on the implementation of the VŠM internal system" was submitted to the Quality Council, which was previously discussed in the AS VŠM on 1st of December, 2022. After discussing it and incorporating minor comments, the Council adopted the following resolution:

Resolution from 13.12.2022

On 13/12/2022, the Quality Council discussed and **approved** the Internal Regulation "Internal Evaluation Report on the Implementation of the Internal System of VŠM".

doc. Ing. Iveta Paulová, PhD., MBA
Chairwoman of the Quality Council at VŠM