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President of Caucasus University

Funding rules for top-ranking students

1. This rule defines the terms and conditions of funding the top-ranking student of the University's undergraduate program.
2. In each school, at each stage, only three top students can be identified each year. The ranking of the final stage is not revealed.
3. The rating is calculated according to the number of students enrolled in each school's programs (considering the joint data of the respective schools of Tbilisi and Batumi branches).
4. For the purposes of Article 5 of these Regulations, the term “corresponding academic year” shall mean the year for which the results are used to identify the ranked students.
5. A student can be considered top-ranking if he/she meets the following terms and conditions:
 - a) his/her educational stage coincides with the standard stage of education defined by the relevant educational program;
 - b) has passed all the courses provided by the program of the corresponding stage;
 - c) the Grade Point Average (GPA) obtained by the student at the current stage is greater than 3.8 (the calculation does not take into account the courses of the previous or the next stage taken in the reporting academic year; neither free credits are taken into account when determining the GPA);
 - d) At the standard III stage of study, a TOEFL certificate with at least 78 points or an IELTS certificate of at least 5.5 has been submitted.
 - e) while, the Students enrolled in the three-year bachelor's program at the standard II stage of their studies have presented a TOEFL certificate with at least 78 points or an IELTS certificate with at least 5.5. score.
 - f) during the last academic year, no disciplinary measures have been applied to the student;
 - g) has not been ousted from the exam and/or has not got “Zero” grade in any of the exams;

h) does not violate the University rules defined by the internal normative acts of the University;

i) **Fulfills the scientific/academic activity requirements established for the relevant stage, by school, as follows:**

For Stage I students:

- **Caucasus School of Law, Caucasus School of Economics, Caucasus School of Medicine, Caucasus School of Tourism:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding academic year.

- **Caucasus School of Media:**

Participated in one of the following activities of the corresponding academic year at the Caucasus School of Media: involvement in various media platforms (online radio, website, social networks, etc.); university-level activities designated by the School in the field of media and public relations; or the Caucasus School of Media Student Scientific Conference. All listed activities must be duly certified in accordance with the applicable procedure.

- **Caucasus School of Education:**

Participated in school-designated activities of the corresponding year or in the Caucasus School of Education Student Scientific Conference. Participation in school-designated activities must be duly certified according to the applicable procedure.

For Stage II students:

- **Caucasus School of Business (only applies to students of the Bachelor's program in Health Management), Caucasus School of Law, Caucasus School of Economics, Caucasus School of Medicine, Caucasus School of Tourism, Caucasus School of Public Administration (does not apply to students of the Bachelor's program in Public Governance), Caucasus School of Humanities and Social Sciences:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding academic year.

- **Caucasus School of Media:**

Participated in one of the following activities of the corresponding academic year at the Caucasus School of Media: involvement in various media platforms (online radio, website, social networks, etc.); university-level activities designated by the School in the field of media

and public relations; or the Caucasus School of Media Student Scientific Conference. All listed activities must be duly certified in accordance with the applicable procedure.

- **Caucasus School of Technology:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding year or in a “school-organized innovative project.”

- **Caucasus School of Education:**

Participated in school-designated activities of the corresponding year or in the Caucasus School of Education Student Scientific Conference. Participation in school-designated activities must be duly certified according to the applicable procedure.

- **Caucasus School of Architecture and Design:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding year or in a “school-organized innovative project, workshop, or competition.”

For Stage III students:

- **Caucasus School of Law, Caucasus School of Economics, Caucasus School of Medicine, Caucasus School of Tourism, Caucasus School of Public Administration (does not apply to students of the Bachelor’s program in Public Governance), Caucasus School of Humanities and Social Sciences:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding academic year.

- **Caucasus School of Media:**

Participated in one of the following activities of the corresponding academic year at the Caucasus School of Media: involvement in various media platforms (online radio, website, social networks, etc.); university-level activities designated by the School in the field of media and public relations; or the Caucasus School of Media Student Scientific Conference. All listed activities must be duly certified in accordance with the applicable procedure.

- **Caucasus School of Technology:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding year or in a “school-organized innovative project.”

- **Caucasus School of Education:**

Participated in school-designated activities of the corresponding year or in the Caucasus School of Education Student Scientific Conference. Participation in school-designated activities must be duly certified according to the applicable procedure.

- **Caucasus School of Architecture and Design:**

Participated in the scientific conference of the corresponding year or in a “school-organized innovative project, workshop, or competition.”

6. If the student in the rating:

a) takes the first place, the fee for the next (standard) stage of education will be waived within the annual credits provided for in the relevant program;

b) takes the second place, the fee for the next (standard) stage of education will be halved within the annual credits provided for in the relevant program;

c) takes the third place, he/she will be relieved of the obligation of paying 30% of the fee for the next (standard) stage of education within the annual credits provided for in the relevant program;

7. If a student ranks first, second, or third place in the ranking but, due to failure to meet the conditions for obtaining funding or for any other reason, is unable to benefit from the University’s funding, the ranked student shall not be replaced by another student in such a case.

8. In the event that the top-ranking student opts for more courses than envisaged by the annual credits provided by the respective program, the student will be responsible for paying for the corresponding credits.

9. If in any academic year, the rated student does not acquire all the credits determined by the financing condition, the remaining credits will not be financed in the next academic year;

10. As an exception, those students sent abroad as part of the exchange program and having no academic debt can take part in the ranking.

11. If the educational stages of the students participating in the exchange program do not coincide with the standard stage of education and/or if the university cannot offer the courses

provided by the program of the corresponding stage, the rating is determined by the GPA of the courses taken by the students at the current stage, including the grades obtained at the partner university;

12. As regards financing of top-ranking students holding state grant, the calculation, in accordance with the established rule, is made from the tuition fee remaining after the amount of the state grant is deducted from the total fee.