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**Decision No. 20218530**

**Amendment of the Senate Decision No. 20195513/25.07.2019 (Government Gazette B' 3258) of the University of Piraeus, concerning the Internal Regulations of the University of Piraeus.**

THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PIRAEUS

Having considered:

1. The provisions of Articles 8, 13, 14, and 15 of Law 4485/2017 "Organization and operation of higher education, provisions for research and other regulations" (Government Gazette A' 114).
2. The provisions of Articles 34, 38, and 58 of Law 4777/2021 "Admission to Higher Education, protection of academic freedom, enhancement of the academic environment, and other provisions" (Government Gazette A' 25).
3. The Senate Decision No. 20195513/25.07.2019 (13th Meeting/27.06.2019) of the University of Piraeus, "Internal Regulations of the University of Piraeus" (Government Gazette B' 3258).
4. The certification act under reference 201656/Z1/21.11.2017 of the Minister of Education, Research and Religious Affairs (ADA: 72E34653PS-BTΨ) concerning the election of the Rector and three (3) Vice Rectors of the University of Piraeus, for a term of four (4) years from 01-12-2017 to 30-11-2021 (Official Gazette of Appointments and Removals 617), which was corrected by Gazette 670 and the ministerial decision under reference 133541/Z1/29-8-2019 (ADA: 906E4653PS-HNB) concerning the extension of the term of the Rector and the Vice Rectors of the University of Piraeus until 31-08-2022 (Official Gazette of Appointments and Removals 722).
5. The Senate Decision No. 20176990/11.12.2017 (Government Gazette B' 4550) of the University of Piraeus (ADA: 7DFO469B7T-OKD) concerning the definition of the scope of responsibility and the individual competencies of the three (3) Vice Rectors....

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... of the University of Piraeus and the order of succession of the Rector.

6. Rector's Decision No. 20218097/1-12-2021 (ADA: 9Φ69469B7T-ΣΜΦ) regarding the reconstitution of the Senate of the University of Piraeus.
7. Extract of the minutes of the Rector's Council (6th Session / 30-11-2021) of the University of Piraeus on the subject: "Amendment of the Internal Regulations of the Institution."
8. The fact that the implementation of the provisions of this decision does not incur additional expenditure on the regular budget or the state subsidy of the University of Piraeus, we decide: the replacement, as of the academic year 2021–22, of Article 29 of the Internal Regulations, as follows:

**ARTICLE 29: Part-Time Study and Interruption of Studies**

1. The maximum duration of studies is defined by applicable legislation.
2. Students may request, by exception, an extension beyond the maximum duration of studies set out in paragraph 1 of Article 34 of Law 4777/2021, for serious health reasons concerning the student personally or a first-degree blood relative, spouse, or a person with whom the student has entered into a cohabitation agreement. The application is submitted to the Dean's Office of the School, which decides upon it, and must be accompanied by the appropriate medical and other official documentation substantiating the serious health reasons justifying the extension.
3. Students who can prove they are employed for at least twenty (20) hours per week, students with disabilities, and athletes who, during their studies, are members of sports clubs registered in the registry of the General Secretariat of Sports and:
  - a) for the years in which they place 1st to 8th in national championships of individual sports with at least twelve (12) athletes and eight (8) clubs participating, or who compete in teams of the two highest divisions in team sports, or participate as national team members in European championships, world championships, or other international events under the Hellenic Olympic Committee; or

b) participate at least once, during the course of study for which they apply for part-time status, in the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, or Deaflympics,

may enroll as part-time students, upon application to the Dean's Office of the School. The application must be supported by official documentation (e.g., employer certificate, disability certificate, athletic authority confirmation) justifying the request for part-time status, and include a formal declaration in which the student commits to notifying the Dean's Office of any change in the circumstances for which the part-time status is requested.

Students under this status who follow the corresponding special curriculum of their department shall have each semester counted as half an academic semester, and may not enroll in or be examined in more than half the courses per semester as prescribed in the program of study. The upper limit of study duration set in paragraph 1 of Article 34 of Law 4777/2021 still applies. The application must be submitted before the beginning of the academic year for which part-time study is requested and becomes effective with the start of the subsequent winter semester, regardless of the date of submission. In the first year of studies, students shall submit the relevant application at the time of registration. The application is approved by the School's Dean's Office.

4. Students may interrupt their studies for a period not exceeding two (2) years. The relevant application is submitted to the Dean's Office of the School, which decides on it, and must be accompanied by the necessary supporting documentation substantiating the grounds for interruption. The application must be submitted before the start of the semester for which the interruption is requested and becomes effective from the beginning of the next teaching semester, regardless of the submission date. During the four-year study program, students may request an interruption for an even number of semesters due to the sequence of courses. After the four years, interruption may be for an odd or even number of semesters. The suspension period for one academic year is defined as 1st September to 31st August of each academic year. Student status is suspended during the interruption period, along with all associated rights. During this period, the student may not participate in course examinations, and the suspension time is not counted toward the maximum study duration.

This decision shall be published in the Government Gazette.

**Piraeus, 15 December 2021**

**The Rector**

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