



Guarantor: Rector's Office

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Rector's Order no. 1/2022
on updating the conditions of teaching and work activities at UPJŠ in Košice in the summer semester (hereinafter "SS") of the academic year 2021/2022

In accordance with the provisions of § 15 of Act no. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments to Certain Acts, and in connection with Art. 4 par. 3 of the Organizational Rules of UPJŠ in Košice, as amended, in connection with the Resolution of the Government of the Slovak Republic no. on 29/2022 on the draft measures against SARS-CoV-2 (Omikron variant) of January 12, 2022 (hereinafter referred to as the Government Resolution) and the effectiveness of the measures of the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic from January 19, 2021 I hereby issue this

order.

1. The priority of the university management and faculty management is that teaching in the summer semester (hereinafter referred to as "SS") of the academic year 2021/2022 is carried out in a **face-to-face form**. However, due to the development of the pandemic situation as of the date of publication of this order, in the period from **14.2.2022 to 25.02.2022 I order the implementation of teaching exclusively by distance, with the exception of the Faculty of Medicine, where face-to-face teaching begins according to the instructions of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine**. The deans of the other faculties may, if necessary, decide to extend the period of the distance method. **From 28.02.2022 I allow the implementation of face-to face teaching**. Even after this date, the deans of the faculties can ensure the implementation of large-capacity teaching activities by distance learning online.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: faculty deans, directors of workplaces

2. **I enable** the cooperation of the Faculty of Medicine UPJŠ in ensuring the creation of a system of emergency medical facilities (Government of the Slovak Republic No. 789/2021) and the work of students in these facilities according to the instructions of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine UPJŠ. The work of students in these facilities is counted as a proper internship.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: Dean of Faculty of Medicine UPJŠ

3. I allow the face-to-face form of teaching only in compliance with strict hygienic conditions and on the part of students in the OTP regime.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: faculty deans, directors of workplaces

4. I require the faculties and all its creative and other employees to be prepared for the implementation of teaching for a longer period in SS than specified in point 1 exclusively by the online method. Depending on the current epidemiological situation, the Monitoring and Coordination Board of UPJŠ in Košice may make an operational decision on the date **when the university will enter the face-to-face teaching regime**. Otherwise, the beginning of face-to-face teaching is set at 28.02.2022.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: faculty deans

5. In the in-person form of teaching, teachers have the obligation to verify compliance with the OTP conditions and to exclude from teaching students who do not demonstrate compliance with the OTP regime.
6. **I order** the UPJŠ workplaces to continue to adhere to the **principles of the OTP regime**. I recommend that creative employees effectively alternate work performance in the form of "home office" (hereinafter "HO") and "workplace" as much as possible. The aim is to achieve the required quality of online / face-to-face teaching as well as to maintain the continuity of scientific and project activities. Effective performance of work in the form of combining "HO", if this is possible in the full range of work duties of the employee and for work at the workplace is also required for all other categories of employees. The performance of "HO" work is possible only with the prior consent of the direct supervisor and is registered according to his instructions.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: bursar, faculty secretaries, directors
of workplaces

7. **I order**, with effect from the beginning of the SS, **to update the certificates of employees for compliance with the principles of the OTP regime** at all UPJŠ workplaces as follows:

Employees shall prove themselves to the direct supervisor or an employee authorized by him

- vaccination certificate, or
- a certificate of overcoming COVID-19 not more than 180 days ago, or
- a negative result to an antigen or RT-PCR test for COVID-19 not older than one week from the date of collection.

Senior staff is responsible for checking the test results (for employees who are not O or P) once every 7 days and for keeping records of this check. The employees concerned are tested individually in MOM. Testing costs will continue to be reimbursed to employees in accordance with the Rector's Guidelines on RO 11/2021. **For the purpose of the possibility of electronic recording of immune status (O, T or P) and test results, I recommend employees to use the form in AiS2 according to the employer's instructions:** <https://intranet.upjs.sk/op/op.Public.php?documentid=5876>

Deadline: in text

Responsible: in text

8. **I order**, with effect from the beginning of SS, **to provide an overview** of compliance with the **principles of the OTP regime for all UPJŠ students and doctoral students** as follows:

According to the instructions of the dean of the faculty, students report their immune status (O, P, T) to the relevant study department **in the form in AiS2:**

<https://intranet.upjs.sk/op/op.Public.php?documentid=5876>

At the same time, at the request of the teacher, they are obliged to be able to prove to the teacher:

- vaccination certificate (Status O) or
- a confirmation that COVID-19 (Status P) has been exceeded not more than 180 days ago, or
- a negative result to an antigen or RT-PCR test for COVID-19 not older than one week from the date of collection (Status T).

Students bear the costs of testing from their own resources.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: in text

9. With a view to maintaining the safest possible conditions in the workplace, **I recommend** that all employees, regardless of vaccinations, carry out a self-test once a week. I instruct the Bursar to provide ANG self-tests from the UPJŠ or social fund. For the purpose of electronic recording of test results and registration of test consumption, employees will use the form in AiS2.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: bursar, Director of ClaKT UPJŠ

10. The procedure under points 6 and 7 of RO 12/2021 continues to apply to employees who do not prove compliance with the OTP regime.
11. **I allow** the implementation of teaching at the **University of the Third Age (U3V) in the OP +** regime under the conditions of compliance with all applicable regulations of the PHA SR. The purpose of the established teaching regime is to create a safe environment for U3V students.

Deadline: continuously

Responsible: Director of CCVaPP

12. **I allow** the face-to-face form in the OTP regime for meetings, activities of self-governing bodies of the university and selection procedures (with the possibility of combining with online participation).
13. **I allow** the face-to-face form in the OP + regime for organizing conferences.
14. **I allow** the face-to-face form of using the services in the premises of the UPJŠ University Library in the OTP regime, for the implementation of UNIPOC activities and for the implementation of CCVaPP training activities.

Deadline: in text

Responsible: Director of UK UPJŠ and Director of UNIPOC

15. **I enable** the provision of meals in the facilities of ŠJ UPJŠ in compliance with the valid measures of PHA SR. Employees in the HO regime with effect from February 1, 2022 are not entitled to alternative meals in the form of meal vouchers.

Deadline: continuously

Responsible: Director of ŠDaJ UPJŠ

16. **I enable** the use of the university's sports facilities and the implementation of sports events in the OP regime in compliance with the valid measures of the PHA SR according to the instructions of the Director of ÚTVaŠ.

Deadline: continuously
Responsible: bursar and Director of ÚTVaŠ

17. With effect from February 1, 2022, I allow the UPJŠ Botanical Garden to be opened to the visitors in the OP regime.

Deadline: continuously
Responsible: bursar and Director of BG

18. With effect from February 1, 2022, **I allow to provide accommodation and meals at ÚVZ Danišovce** in the OP + regime.

Deadline: continuously
Responsible: Head of ÚVZ Danišovce

19. **I allow** the implementation of national and international trips as well as the reception of international guests in accordance with the regulations of this RO, Public Health Authority SR and Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs SR.
20. In the event of a quarantine or staff isolation obligation, applies the procedure under point 16 of RO 12/2021.
21. For the entry of **doctoral students** to UPJŠ workplaces, registration of their status, or registration of their test results, **I order** to apply in a reasonable manner the procedure as for the employees according to points 6, 7, 9 and 10 of this order.
22. **I extend** the possibility of temporary **check-out** of students in the facilities of ŠD UPJŠ with a reduction of the monthly fee to 30% until February 28, 2022 at the latest.

Deadline: continuously
Responsible: Director of ŠDaJ

23. **I order** to continue to ensure a strict regime of OTP control and registration at the entrance of other persons to the buildings of UPJŠ as well as control of compliance with the obligation of proper upper airway coverage in accordance with applicable PHA measures for employees, students and other persons in all premises of UPJŠ and compliance with strict hygiene measures.

Deadline: in text
Responsible: bursar, Head of ÚBOZP, PO a CO and faculty secretaries

24. The deans of the faculties and the Director of ÚTVaŠ, if necessary, will issue guidelines for further implementation of teaching in SS in the conditions of their faculty / institute.

Deadline: in text
Responsible: in text

Final provisions

1. This order shall enter into force and effect on 01. 02. 2022.
2. Monitoring and evaluation of the epidemiological situation, design and management of measures at faculties and university workplaces will be ensured by the permanent Monitoring and Coordination Board of UPJŠ in Košice, established by Rector's Order no. 15/2020, the composition of which is given in Annex no. 1 Rector's order no. 9/2021.

3. Monitoring and evaluation of the epidemiological situation, design and management of measures in accommodation and canteen facilities of UPJŠ (ŠDaJ UPJŠ) will be ensured by the permanent Monitoring and Coordination Board of ŠD UPJŠ in Košice, established by Rector's Order no. 15/2020, the composition of which is given in Annex no. 2 Rector's order no. 9/2021.
4. In the event of an unexpectedly worsening epidemiological situation or a change in the relevant legislation, I reserve the right to revoke or extend certain provisions of this order.
5. The employees will be informed about the obligations arising from this order by senior staff.

This is the English language translation of the original Slovak language version of internal regulation and is not an authorized translation. In the event of inconsistency or discrepancy between the Slovak language version and the English translation of this internal regulation, the original Slovak language version prevails.

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Rector of UPJŠ

Annex no.1 RO no. 1/2022

General conditions of isolation and quarantine in connection with COVID-19 - valid from 25. 01. 2022

Home isolation of a positive person with COVID-19 disease:

1. It concerns all positive persons, regardless of vaccination or overcoming the disease.
2. Isolation shall last for **five days** from the date of sampling, unless the positive symptoms have been prevented from working within the last 24 hours. For the next five days, this person must wear a respirator in public without an exhalation valve.
3. If, during the last 24 hours out of 5 days of isolation, the person has experienced clinical signs of an occupational disease, **the isolation shall be terminated by the attending physician.**

Quarantine of persons after close contact with a person positive for COVID-19:

1. It concerns persons who came into **close contact** with a person who subsequently became positive for the disease during a period of two days before the date of sampling of the biological material of that person or two days before the onset of the first clinical signs of the disease in that person.
2. The quarantine obligation **shall not apply** to persons who have been fully vaccinated or who have contracted COVID-19 less than 180 days before and **who do not show clinical signs of disease**. The following seven days after contact, the obligation to wear a respirator is public. However, these persons remain in quarantine if they have experienced even one of the clinical signs of COVID-19, or if the attending physician considers this person to have quarantine as necessary.
3. Quarantine shall begin when the person becomes aware that the person with whom he or she has been in close contact is positive for the disease.

4. The quarantine lasts **5 days** from the last contact with the person positive for the disease, unless there are clinical signs of the disease. After the end of the quarantine, the obligation to have the upper respiratory tract covered with a respirator in public for 5 days applies. The attending physician will decide whether to perform the COVID-19 test on the fifth day after close contact at the earliest.

5. If a person in quarantine develops any of the clinical signs of the disease, the person must contact his doctor, who will decide on the next step.

6. A person after a home antigen test is also considered positive, but must be assessed by a GP.

7. The isolation of a COVID-19 positive person or the quarantine of a person after close contact with a COVID-19 positive person who was not terminated on 25 January 2022 shall be terminated in accordance with the regulations in force until then.

The symptoms of the disease in a person are some of the following symptoms: fever above 37 ° C, cough, night sweats, fatigue, sore throat, headache, shortness of breath, loss of appetite or loss of smell, intestinal and digestive problems, nasal congestion.

Close contact is the contact of a person with a person who is positive for the disease, if they have not covered the upper airways with an FFP2 (and higher) respirator during this contact, and

1. the persons have been in direct physical contact, or
2. the persons are less than 2 meters apart for more than 5 minutes, or
3. the persons have been indoors or otherwise indoors for more than 5 minutes, or
4. persons traveled together by means of transport for more than 5 minutes.

The test result is the result of an RT-PCR test, an antigen test, a test performed using rapid methods of molecular biology (LAMP-test, PoCT-test), or a home antigen test; a positive home antigen test must be reported and evaluated by the person's general practitioner.

Detailed clear information of the rules of home isolation of positive, quarantine of close contacts and what to do after a positive test are given on the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic website in the document

https://www.uvzsr.sk/en/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=36&Itemid=13

Principles for UPJŠ employees in case of isolation or quarantine

1. Employees who are subject to a quarantine or isolation obligation shall be obliged to notify the relevant manager and the staff department, while agreeing with the manager on how to carry out their domestic duties. If the employee will not be able to be available to the employer in full for his work activities, the employer will justify the employee's absence during his personal obstacle at work, which is a quarantine measure or isolation, if recognized by a doctor at work inability or family member leave, or allow him to take leave or paid leave. Confirmation of work inability resp. The employee is obliged to deliver the family member leave to the employer.

2. If a staff member is diagnosed with COVID-19, he shall immediately notify all persons with whom he has been in close contact during the two days preceding the day of collection for the test or within two days before the first clinical signs of the disease appear.

3. If a staff member who has been in close contact or suspects close contact is not subject to the quarantine obligation, he shall inform the head of the workplace. With regard to the safety of the working environment, the head of the workplace may decide on the absence of this employee at the workplace or on the exclusion of contacts at the workplace for a period of **three calendar days**. In this case, it is an obstacle on the part of the employer

and the employee is entitled to wage compensation if the nature of his work activities does not allow work from the household. If the employee does not have clinical symptoms of COVID-19, he continues the work process at the workplace after three days.

4. During the period of mandatory isolation or quarantine, the obligation to comply with the general measures issued by the Decree of the PHA of the Slovak Republic no. 7/2022, available at https://www.uvzsr.sk/docs/info/ut/vyhlasaka_7.pdf

Principles for UPJŠ students in case of isolation or quarantine

1. Students who are subject to the obligation of quarantine or isolation are obliged to notify this fact to the relevant study department and at the same time to agree with the teachers on the method of carrying out their study obligations in the household or after returning from isolation. The study department will justify the student's absence during his / her personal obstacle in the study, which is a quarantine measure or isolation, if he / she is recognized by a doctor at work inability or family member leave. Confirmation of work inability resp. The student is obliged to deliver the family member leave to the study department.

2. If a student is diagnosed with COVID-19, he or she shall immediately notify all persons with whom he or she has been in close contact within the two days preceding the day of collection for testing or within two days before the onset of the first clinical signs of the disease.

3. If a student who has been in close contact or suspects close contact is not subject to the quarantine obligation, he shall inform only the teachers. With regard to the safety of the working environment, the teacher may decide on the absence of this student in teaching or on the exclusion of contacts in the study group on its subject for a period of **three calendar days and will allow the student an alternative form of learning**. If the student does not have clinical signs of COVID-19, the study continues in face-to-face after three days.

4. During the period of mandatory isolation or quarantine, the obligation to comply with the general measures issued by the Decree of the PHA of the Slovak Republic no. 7/2022, available at https://www.uvzsr.sk/docs/info/ut/vyhlasaka_7.pdf