

## **QUALITY POLICY**

The focus of the activities of the Hungarian University of Agricultural and Life Sciences focus is its partners, and its students in particular. Our aim is to ensure the institution's national and international competitiveness and professional recognition through reliable, high-quality teaching, research and other services.

In order to implement the quality policy, the University's management is fully committed to the implementation, safeguarding and continuous improvement of the quality assurance system at the institutional level in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG 2015), covering both undergraduate, graduate and PhD programmes. The quality assurance system is also considered as a tool for achieving MATE's quality development goals.

In addition, the institution also operates an Integrated Management System including ISO 9001:2015 quality management and ISO 14001:2015 environmental management systems, exclusively in the units supporting teaching and research activities and carrying out other service activities.

The Hungarian University of Agricultural and Life Sciences constantly monitors the needs and expectations of its students and lecturers, as well as those of the labour market, the economy and society, and does its utmost to ensure that all stakeholders in its activities consider the University an unconditionally reliable and fair partner.

In line with its mission statement and institutional development plan, the University is committed to achieving the following goals:

- through educational innovation, students gain a secure and valuable knowledge and qualification that is competitive both nationally and internationally, of high quality and of practical use;
- to develop further fruitful collaborations in the field of research and development, by increasing the application activity, primarily with other higher education institutions, social and economic organisations in Hungary and Europe, but also beyond, in the world, in order to enrich cultural and economic life;
- to become a major player on the international higher education scene,
- to maintain and continuously strengthen its position in the domestic higher education competition;
- in the organisation and management of its activities, to pay particular attention to meeting students' needs to a high standard, taking into account the diversity of students' needs;
- to provide its staff with a reliable workplace, a good working environment and conditions for professional development;
- to promote academic integrity and freedom while fighting fraud;
- to ensure action against all forms of intolerance and discrimination affecting teachers, non-teaching staff and students;

In order to implement the Quality Policy, the senior management of the Hungarian University of Agricultural and Life Sciences:

- involves the University citizens as well as a wider range of external stakeholders involved in the planning and implementation of its activities;
- expects its staff to be highly demanding in their work, and to be familiar with and apply the quality policy;
- encourages its staff to continuously develop their knowledge and expertise, and to be familiar with and apply modern methodologies in their field of work;
- expects all its staff, including those working on an outsourced or contracted basis, and students to contribute to the success and effective operation of the University through their personal knowledge and responsibility;
- ensures that the quality policy is made public.

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