

University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice

Descriptions of the field of habilitation proceeding
Descriptions of the field of the proceedings for the appointment of
professors

Microbiology

Basic legal frameworks arising from the Standards for Habilitation Proceeding and Proceedings for the Appointment of Professors of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education

1. The institution has a field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings defined by its name and content. The institution guarantees that the content is as close as possible to the field of study or both fields of study to which it is assigned.
2. The institution is entitled to design, deliver and modify third-level study programmes in the field of study to which the field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings is assigned.
3. If the field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings is assigned to two fields of study, the institution has the above-mentioned rights in both fields of study.
4. The institution employs at least five designated persons for fixed weekly working hours who are responsible for the development and quality assurance of the field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings. These persons are involved in scientific or artistic activities of the institution within the field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings, or in a related field. Of these persons, at least two are in the position of professor with the title “professor”, and the others are at least in the position of associate professor with the title “associate professor”. Each of these persons may be responsible for the development and quality assurance of at most one field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings at only one higher education institution in the Slovak Republic
5. The institution carries out long-term and continuous research, artistic and other activities in the field of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings, the intensity and extent of which corresponds to the nature of these proceedings and whose results are on an internationally significant level.
6. The institution demonstrates the existence of a critical mass for research and art and a high level of quality in research, artistic and other activities by its right to design, deliver and modify third-level programmes in at least half of the fields of study in which the institution provides higher education.

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Name of the habilitation proceeding: Microbiology

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In the field of habilitation proceeding Microbiology, current issues in the field of microbiology are studied in detail, analysed and scientifically solved at the top international level. Within the framework of the doctoral study programme in microbiology, experts with a high degree of prerequisite for subsequent scientific work in the field of habilitation proceeding and for achieving results of scientific work publishable in top international journals are educated. Research is focused on bacteriology, virology, clinical microbiology, molecular biology and genetics of microorganisms. Graduates of the microbiology study programme are qualified to exercise the profession of microbiology expert. They master the scientific methods of research in experimental and clinical microbiology, which they creatively implement on various model objects. They investigate the properties of microorganisms (morphological, cultural, metabolic, biochemical, molecular-biological and others) as well as at different levels of their interrelationships with the host (commensal, mutualist, facultative pathogen and pathogen), using progressive methodological procedures in order to gain new, previously unpublished knowledge. Creative workers in the field of habilitation and inaugural microbiology present and publish evidence-based research results to the professional and scientific community, and the quality of the publications provides a prerequisite for the long-term sustainability of the quality of the outputs of the creative activity, the intensity and scope of which are appropriate to the nature of these habilitation proceeding and the results of which are of a high international standard.

Awarded scientific-pedagogical title - associate professor (abbreviation "Assoc. prof.")

Assignment to field of study - Biology

2. Persons responsible for the field of habilitation proceeding:

Persons responsible for the habilitation proceeding - **Emil Pilipčinec, prof., DVM., PhD., Juraj Pistl, prof., DVM., PhD., Jana Koščová, Assoc. prof., DVM., PhD., Anna Jacková, Assoc. prof., DVM., PhD. and Tomáš Csank, Assoc. prof., DVM., PhD.**

Link to the composition of the Scientific Council - <https://www.uvlf.sk/en/university-authorities/scientific-board>

3. The level of criteria for evaluating the fulfilment of the conditions for obtaining the title of associate professor:

Reference to the current criteria - the criteria are part of the internal regulation of UVMP in Košice Internal regulation No. 26 [Principles of the procedure for obtaining the scientific-pedagogical titles of Associate Professor and Professor at the UVMP](#) in the wording of [Supplement No.1 to Principles of the procedure for obtaining the scientific-pedagogical titles of Associate Professor and Professor](#).

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4. Rules and proceedings of the habilitation proceeding:

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5. Links to completed proceedings and their results

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