

**SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND
SPORT SCIENCE
Postgraduate PROGRAM
HUMAN PERFORMANCE**

Quality Assurance Policy of the
Department for the development of the
Postgraduate Programs (MSc)

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Quality Assurance Policy of the Department of Physical Education and Sport Science, Thessaloniki, AUTH, for the development of the MSc

The Department of Physical Education and Sports Science of Thessaloniki following the directions of the Quality Assurance Unit-MO.DI.P. (according to Law 4009/2011, Article 14):

- Developed policy, strategy and procedures to improve the Department's postgraduate programs.
- Organized the operation and improvement of the quality assurance system.
- Coordinated and supported the evaluation procedures of the Department's postgraduate programs.
- Implemented the external evaluation procedures of the Department's postgraduate programs.

The establishment and operation of the Department's Internal Assessment Group (IAG) together with the Department's administration are in close communication and cooperation with the MO.DI.P. of the Institution by matching the quality assurance policies and strategies defined by the foundation and by the MO.DI.P. in the program's quality assurance policy regarding the Department's educational process. The Department makes an essential contribution to the effective achievement of the Institution's quality assurance goals, since it conducts the following actions:

1. To improve the quality of teaching and research activity:

- It encourages the Quality Evaluation of the PPs through the electronic Quality Evaluation of the courses by the students.
- It evaluates and gives feedback to the academic staff on their teaching ability, based on the students' experience of the teaching process.
- Mandates the electronic posting of the transcripts and the courses outlines.
- Checks for updating course outlines
- Enhances the transfer of the teachers' research work to the educational process.

2. To highlight the work carried out at AUTH, in society and in the international academic community:

The academic staff of the PPs are engaged in extroverted activities characterized by sociability, talkativeness, and excitability.

The Quality Assurance Policy of the Department of Physical Education and Sports Science of Thessaloniki, AUTH for the development and improvement of the MSc is implemented through the following quality procedures:

- Reasonable selection of the topics and the courses and control of the suitability of the study programs and their organization.
- Control and evaluation of the learning outcomes.
- Selection of teaching staff based on their qualifications

- Connecting teaching with research
- Monitoring the demand for graduates' acquired qualifications in the labour market
- Upgrading the quality of support services related to the secretariat and the library
- Carrying out the annual report and internal inspection of the quality assurance system of the MSc, as well as the cooperation of OM.EA. with the MO.D.I.P. of the Institution.
- Improvement of facilities / classrooms with technological means
- Further development of the Department's laboratories

B. Planning goals and actions

To implement the Quality Assurance policy, specific objectives are set, and specific actions are implemented. The objectives and actions are listed below:

- To acquire theoretical and practical knowledge in subjects related to the MSc, the curriculum is systematically updated.
- To meet the demands required by the labor market, communication, invitation, and interaction with employers is carried out to diagnose the necessary skills during lectures, educational visits, events, conferences, etc.
- To develop students' critical thinking, a variety of teaching methods are adopted (eg case studies, group work and use of new technologies).
- To involve the postgraduate students actively in doing research, the Department has established strategies for effective teaching in the Laboratory Classes and encourages the students to participate in the research programs achieve collaborations with institutions within the framework of the research process.