THE MAIN THESIS OF THE ELECTORAL PROGRAM

Based on the experience of the past four years and the fast development of medicine and medical education, I would like to present the basic theses of my program.

WHAT WE SUCCEEDED IN THE PAST PERIOD

In the past period, we focused on the following tasks in the field of teaching and managed to achieve the following results:

* Establishing the position of a mediator to solve students' problems
* Support for foreign English-speaking students and follow-up professional psychological help
* Creation of a structure of class representatives and their regular meetings with the faculty management and the Pedagogical Commission
* Expanding the possibilities to carry out pre-state internships outside the university hospital including the countries of origin
* Strengthening the teaching of communication for medical students
* Expansion and modernization of spaces for students and development of plans for their further development
* New system of entrance exams for the applicants in the English language

MAIN GOALS AND VISIONS OF OUR FACULTY

The faculty is a place of top teaching and a safe and inspiring environment for students and teachers, both from the Czech Republic and abroad. Quality scientific research takes place here with an emphasis on increasing the share of excellent results and the transfer of knowledge, with intensive international cooperation and the involvement of postgraduate students. It is a well-known and highly respected institution with an impact on the whole society, an important partner of teaching hospitals and other medical institutions, economically stable and constantly taking care of its further development in all areas. The faculty should increase its position within the ranking, it should be more and more recognized in the world, but above all it should be an attractive, and successful faculty for students and all employees.

The faculty has several **main goals**, which I will further discuss in more details:

* Expansion and its systematic involvement in teaching across the entire study
* Construction of the Biocentrum – Albertov Campus and preparation of its scientific program at the faculty level and in cooperation with other faculties and institutions
* Creation of strategies for the main areas of faculty development – study, research as well as economy, spatial and personnel development
* Creation of a graduate profile as a comprehensive process of the entire study
* Prepare postgraduate doctoral studies for changes resulting from the new version of the Supreme Education Act
* To strengthen excellence in science in connection with the Albertov Campus, the further development of Biocev, the development of scientific projects and the support of European projects, the evaluation of science at the faculty and its subsequent financing
* Creating new spaces and facilities for students
* Completion of the effective structure of the dean's office
* Further work on the digitization of the faculty with the collaboration with the Rectorate
* Creation and implementation of measures to increase the security at the faculty
* Work on further PR of the faculty, including analysis and preparation of the new website and international reputation

STUDY IN ENGLISH

English parallel, teaching of our international students, is an extremely important part of the faculty's activities. It plays an economic role, but mainly represents an important element of the faculty's internationalization and its reputation. Interest in studying at our faculty is generally high, but currently competition from other universities in Europe is increasing. Our faculty is interested in talented and motivated applicants. To facilitate administration, a foreign department was established at the dean's office.

Our main tasks for the coming period

* Stabilize and develop interest in our faculty through cooperation with agents, our own activity and promotion of the faculty
* To increase the interest in our faculty to new areas of the world
* Improve the selection of students by improving the quality of the admissions process, including the possibility of conducting tests electronically and remotely
* To increase the opportunities for students to do internships abroad, in contracted facilities of their countries
* Appropriately develop tuition fees, possibility of installments
* Improve support for foreign students in the field of studies and extracurriculars, especially at the beginning of their studies
* Develop a system of motivation scholarships
* Ensure a fair and safe environment for all students
* Organize adaptation courses for accepted applicants to learn more about the study, the faculty, the Czech Republic and thus improve the success of the study
* Prepare preparatory courses for applicants in English (face-to-face or distance learning)
* Consider the possibility of organizing summer or holiday courses for potential applicants
* Consistently promote the faculty abroad as extremely successful and suitable for study
* Promote the importance of English studies for the faculty, Czech medicine, higher education and the entire country
* Finalize the structure of the foreign department and its agenda, resolve its location and further focus on the needs of foreign students (well being).

***The detailed program will be published in English during the election campaign and will be available for discussion.***

This program is open… it is open to all of you, academics, students, students, supporters and friends of the faculty…

Thank you for your support and I look forward to working with everyone!

Yours,

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