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# UNIVERSITY OF MITROVICA"ISA BOLETINI" EXTRAORDINARY MONITORING REPORT

10.05.2023, Pristina





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#### 1. FOREWORD

The responsible officials of Kosovo Accreditation Agency (KAA) for the procedure of monitoring:

- Naim Gashi, Director of KAA;
- Arianit Krasniqi, Senior Officer for Evaluation and Accreditation, KAA;
- Leona Kovaci, Senior Officer for Evaluation and Monitoring, KAA.

**Start date of the monitoring procedure:** 10.05.2023

**Monitoring has been carried out:** a) in distance

b) by on-site visit with warningc) with an unannounced site visit

**Date of monitoring visit (if applicable):** 10.05.2023

Persons with whom the KAA officials met during the field visit (if applicable):

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#### **Information sources for the monitoring report:**

- The schedule of lectures published on the website;
- The schedule of lectures placed on the board in the area of the faculty;
- Interviews with professors/assistants/administration officials.





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2. Brief description of the implementation of the monitoring procedure for the verification of the schedule of lectures and exercises, including data in chronological order (if applicable):

The monitoring visit started at 13:00 o'clock.

Based on the Manual for Monitoring Methodology and Post Accreditation Procedures Article 1.9 Extraordinary monitoring. KAA has organized extraordinary monitoring visit at the University of Mitrovica "Isa Boletini" (UMIB).

During the visit, the monitoring team focused on the Faculty of Geosciences, the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Education of the University of Mitrovica "Isa Boletini" (UMIB). During the entire visit, the monitoring team was accompanied by representatives of the respective faculties who were available to provide the required information.

Initially, it was noticed that the winter semester schedule was still displayed in the corridors of the institution, and this caused confusion because schedule, such as the subject and name of the professors shown on the board didn't fit with the schedule, subject and professor found in the hall.

The monitoring team also visited the UMIB library where the responsible official explained the possibilities of access to the EBSKO databases, although it was noted that the institution does not collect data related to the users and administrator of this platform.

At the Faculty of Law, the monitoring team confirmed that the day before, out of the seven lectures, only two were held. The dean's reasoning that they were engaged in returning responses to an accreditation process. This for KAA has been unsustainable, as KAA's demands have been aimed at managerial and administrative staff and not at academic staff.

During the visit to the Faculty of Education, it was found that out of five planned lectures, only three were taking place. However, the monitoring team was informed that the professors had given advance notice of the absence and replacement of missed classes.

The monitoring team was informed that the Basics of Music Education subject has been moved to the next year. KAA requested to be provided with all the evidences and documentation related to the relocation of this subject to ensure that the workload of the students and the distribution of ECTS credits are taken into account.





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As it was announced before, during the monitoring, KAA team confirmed that the Faculty of Education does not have a regular professor for the subject of mathematics and for this subject the institution has engaged prof. Xhevdet Thaçi, who is a regular at the University of Gjilan. The monitoring team was informed that Professor Thaçi requested that the lectures of the Mathematics subject be held on Saturdays, and as a result of the disagreement with the students, this subject was almost never held.

KAA requested the attendance lists of the mathematics course for the academic years 2021/22 and 2022/23 as well as the list of students' participation in exams.

#### 3. FINAL EVALUATION

- 1. Lectures schedule published and presented on the premises of the visited faculties are still for the winter semester and this causes confusion.
- 2. The subject "Basics of Music Education" has been moved from one year to another and the placement process is not clear.
- 3. The subject of mathematics in the Faculty of Education has not been held regularly due to the lack of a regular professor for this subject.

#### 4. RECOMANDATION

- 1. Since the Faculty of Education has not held the subject of mathematics and the required evidence has not been provided to the KAA, we recommend the KAA to request a written report on the progress of this subject and provide guarantees that the students have held the prescribed lectures in the program. Since the program is expected to undergo the reaccreditation process, the follow-up procedure is not preferred, but the report with the findings should be submitted to the evaluation team.
- 2. Due to the irregularities identified in the course of teaching at the Faculty of Law, the follow-up procedure is not recommended. Since the program is expected to undergo the reaccreditation process, the follow-up procedure is not preferred, but the report with the findings should be submitted to the evaluation team.





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## 4. ATTACHMENTS

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#### **KAA Evaluation and Monitoring Officers**

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