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Permanent Office:

- secretary to the Commission
- *staff* (2 *persons*)





## Goals of UAC's activity:

- creation of an accreditation system of courses of studies at universities
- creation and implementation of the standards of the education quality at universities
- enhancement of the education quality
- recognition of the HEI's ensuring high quality of the education
- promotion of students mobility both in a national and international dimension





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The units which ask for accreditation submit a list of 5 candidates for the expert group, the evaluation teams and appellate teams (2 senior scholars employed at the school asking for accreditation and 3 senior scholars from other schools [including foreign ones]).

Concise information about the candidates must be attached.

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From among them UAC selects an expert group (6 to 12 persons, including its chairman), and an evaluation team (or several such teams) consisting of 3 to 5 members.

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The evaluation team is to:

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- conduct a comprehensive review and assessment of an area of studies offered (twoday visit at a specified institution)
- prepare a written report on the review and assessment conducted
- to present the report to UAC, together with a recommendation to award the accreditation, to defer it until specified conditions are met, or to refuse accreditation.

The visit of the evaluation team is preceded by a stage of self-evaluation resulting in a report submitted to UAC as an integral part of the application.

## Standards of accreditation

Should include programmes of studies and, among others:

• research achievement of the unit

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- compatibility of classes (lectures, seminars, etc.) with the specialization and publications of academic teachers teaching those classes who are full-time employees of the school
- proportion of professors participating in the realisation of the curriculum
- number of students per one senior scholar teaching in the given department who is a full-time employee of the school
- compatibility of the curriculum offered in the course of studies in this area and level of studies with the type of knowledge required for compatibility with European standards for this type of education

#### Standards of accreditation cont.

- possession by the organisational unit of the school which offers education in a given area of a profile of graduate
- possession of a system of gathering student opinions about the classes offered
- facilities used for educational purposes, especially:

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- accessibility of reading material recommended for students at the school's library
- modernity of techniques of instruction and appropriate for the given number of students equipment of laboratories and other facilities used in the process of education
- documented cooperation with significant scientific or scholarly centres which offer education in analogous areas of studies, including - in the case of foreign schools - exchange of teachers and students



# Accreditation is granted for 5 or 2 (conditional) years

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## Enclosure to diploma



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## Accredited courses of studies:

- 1. Archaeology
- 2. Art conservation and restoration
- 3. Biology
- 4. Biotechnology
- 5. Chemical and process engineering
- 6. Chemical technology
- 7. Chemistry
- 8. Classical philology
- 9. Culture studies
- 10. Economy
- 11. English philology
- 12. Environment protection
- 13. Ethnology
- 14. Finances and banking
- 15. Fishing
- 16. History
- 17. History of art
- 18. Geography
- 19. Geology

### Accredited courses of studies cont.:

- 20. German philology
- 21. Informatics

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- 22. Informatics and econometry
- 23. Information and library science
- 24. Journalism and social communication
- 25. Management and marketing
- 26. Musicology
- 27. Oceanography
- 28. Pedagogy
- 29. Philosophy
- 30. Physics
- 31. Polish philology
- 32. Political science
- 33. Programme "Academia Artes Liberales"
- 34. Psychology
- 35. Roman philology
- 36. Russian philology
- 37. Slavonic philology



38. Sociology39. Technical physics40. Theology



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### The University Accreditation Commission was dissolved in 2017.

#### Accredited courses of studies cont.: