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Railway Transport College Internationalization Policy

Introduction

Organizational Overview

The Railway Transport College implements professional educational programs both dually and modularly, as well as with an integrated approach incorporating secondary education learning outcomes.

The college prioritizes implementing professional educational programs using a dual teaching method, as this allows citizens to receive modern standard education and/or retrain through flexible short-term intensive learning methods to successfully find employment both domestically and internationally.

Strategic Goal #4 addresses internationalization support through educational-industrial partnerships, international collaboration, and donor relationships to implement new technologies and methodologies, as well as joint, exchange and scholarship programs for students, teachers and staff.

The college prioritizes joining various international networks, deepening relationships with partner country universities, and establishing new connections.

The internationalization policy aligns with the college's mission to meet society's and state's needs in the railway industry with qualified personnel carrying national and international values.

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State Support and Policy

Current state policy toward vocational education significantly increases the college's chances to receive state support for strategic development projects, network initiatives, and service quality improvement.

Donor Organization Interest

There is interest in supporting vocational education development from both the state and international donors. The Railway Transport College effectively uses this opportunity to integrate international experience and establish international contacts.

Internationalization Policy Mission

The mission is to support integration of vocational education through implementing international educational system standards, ensuring preparation of qualified personnel with competencies meeting modern international labor market demands and carrying national and international values.

This mission will be implemented through international cooperation, mobility, joint projects and foreign partner involvement. The college aims to establish global connections in railway transport to facilitate

knowledge and experience sharing and promote innovative and sustainable development in the field according to international standards.

Goals of Internationalization

Goal 1: Create international partnerships and networks for research and knowledge sharing in railway transport.

Tasks:

- Establish at least 3 partnership agreements/memorandums with international universities/colleges in railway transport
- Develop foreign language educational programs
- Enable academic staff participation in exchange programs with partner institutions (at least 2 staff visits annually)
- Participate in international forums, symposiums, educational events and exhibitions
- Organize annual international conference on railway transport education with participants from at least 3 countries

Goal 2: Enrich educational experience through international experience, knowledge and resource integration.

Tasks:

- Develop language programs (English, other relevant languages) for students and academic staff
- Invite at least 2 international visiting professors/scientists annually for lectures and seminars

Goal 3: Develop a globally-minded, informed community that respects diversity and promotes tolerance.

Tasks:

- Celebrate annual "International Culture Week" showcasing cultures and promoting intercultural exchange
- Establish international student association to support intercultural exchange and activities

Goal 4: Improve curricula and teaching methods through international collaboration

Tasks:

- Conduct comprehensive curriculum review with 2 international partner institutions

- Review at least 2 core courses to incorporate international best practices aligned with European standards
- Provide professional development opportunities for 25% of academic staff through international workshops
- Develop and offer 2 joint educational programs with international partners
- Share and implement best international practices

Goal 5: Increase international student mobility

Tasks:

- Establish partnerships with at least 2 European universities/colleges in railway transport
- Develop structured student exchange program enabling 2 student exchanges annually
- Create language and culture preparation courses for outgoing and incoming students
- Secure funding for 1 international mobility scholarship annually

Assessment Indicators include:

- Number of international partnerships/MOUs
- Staff participation in exchange visits
- Foreign language programs implemented
- Participation in international events
- Number of countries in international conference
- Language program participation rates
- Number of visiting professors
- Cultural events participation
- Joint programs developed
- Student mobility numbers

The policy aims to establish the college as a modern, internationally integrated vocational institution meeting global railway industry standards.