

UKRAINE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Description of the institution
<p>Mariupol State University (MSU) (en.mdu.in.ua/) is a classical higher education institution with a wide network of international contacts and long-standing reputation in the Ukrainian and foreign educational communities. MSU is a centre of training of highly qualified specialists in international relations; teaching, interpretation and translation of foreign languages; journalism to constitute the brainpower of the society. MSU has developed and has been successfully implementing its own pattern of international cooperation.</p> <p>International activities of the university are regulated by the agreements on cooperation with the growing number of foreign partners. By 2015, the University signed 97 agreements on cooperation with foreign partners.</p> <p>Internships programs are one of the most important and promising forms of international cooperation of MSU. Every year more than 300 students and instructors participate in different educational, scientific and cultural programmes in Austria, Bulgaria, Greece, Georgia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Germany, Poland, Portugal, the USA, Czech Republic and other states.</p> <p>MSU is the member of various international organizations such as follows: the European Public Law Organization, the European University Association, Mediterranean Universities Union, Association of Rectors of Pedagogical Universities in Europe, Association of Juridical Universities of the CIS Countries, the European Public Law Organization etc.</p> <p>University has 11 scientific-educational and cultural centres, established with the assistance of foreign partners (Representative office of European Public Law Organization, Institute of Ukraine-Greece Friendship and Hellenic Studies, Representative office of Dante Alighieri Society, Italian Cultural Centre as well as Polish, Israeli, Greek and Chinese ones).</p>
Description of the team
<p>The team of Mariupol State University consists of the highly experienced professionals.</p> <p>Mykola Trofymenko - the Team Leader, Vice Rector for Scientific and Pedagogical Affairs (International Cooperation), Ph.D in Political Sciences, Assistant Professor of the International Relations and Foreign Policy Chair, Coordinator of the number of international projects carried out in the University.</p> <p>Olena Protsenko – Vice Rector for Research, Ph.D in Educational Sciences, Assistant Professor of Education Management and Pedagogy Chair, a researcher in the sphere of integration of Ukrainian higher education into the European educational space, developer of methodological support of quality assurance at the university.</p> <p>Kateryna Tryma – Ph.D in Political Sciences, Senior lector of Political Science, Philosophy and Sociology Chair, a researcher in the field of algorithms for Complex Collective Decisions and activities of NGOs.</p> <p>Tetiana Marena – Head of the Department of International Economics, Ph.D. in Economics, Assistant Professor of International Economics Chair, Participant of the project TEMPUS MODEP. Research assistant at the University of Auvergne Clermont (Clermont-Ferrand, France).</p> <p>Roman Chumak – Bachelor’s Degree Student, educational programme «Italian language and literature», Deputy Chairman of the Student Council of MSU. Scholarship of academic training at the University for Foreigners (Perugia, Italy, 2014)</p>

Aim and planned outcomes of the project**Name of the project: Internationalization as a way of improving the competitiveness of the modern university**

The aim of the project is development and implementation of the modern internationalization university strategy to establish MSU as a leading international university, and maintain a competitive advantage in the key markets.

The project outcomes include:

- I. Analysis of the current internal and external factors, SWOT-analysis of international activities of university.
- II. Development of the higher education internationalization strategy in university.
- III. Modernization of the university management structure for implementation of modern higher education internationalization strategy.
- IV. Implementation of higher education internationalization strategy in MSU.

Expectations from the cooperation with the UK university

Expectations of the university team from the cooperation with British university:

- to explore the existing models of university internationalisation strategies: development and implementation of the strategy; study and travel opportunities for staff and students; the ways of encouraging mobility of staff and students; academic and commercial partners; international partnerships and networks; best practices of maintaining effective communication and coordination with foreign campuses over long distances;
- to make the acquaintance of university management structure for implementation of higher education internationalization strategy;
- to investigate how scholarship, teaching, research and innovation are carried out in international programmes;
- to establish partnership in teaching, research and knowledge transfer activities.

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