

INFORMATION ON STUDY PROGRAMME RANKING BY FACULTY

Pursuant to the National Education Law No. 1/2011, and to the Assessment Methodology for University Classification and Ranking of the Study Programmes (AMUCRSP), approved by the Government Decision No. 789/2011, in 2011, the Ministry of Education has carried a ranking of the undergraduate study programmes offered by the accredited universities in the National Education System of Romania. The ranking criteria were teaching and learning, as well as scientific research. The study programmes were placed in 5 categories: **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, and **E**, where **A** represents the category of the most performing study programmes, and **E** represents the category of the less performing study programmes.¹

The outcomes of this process were challenged by some universities and officials at least for the following reasons:

- *Lack of transparency.* In accordance with AMUCRSP, universities should provide data and information for the ranking of their study programmes, and these data and information „are considered information of public interest and are published on a specialized website administered by the Ministry of Education”. In fact, none of these were ever published nowhere.
- *Lack of control.* In accordance with AMUCRSP, „the organization that carries the assessment, its employees, and the assessment experts are obliged to notify the Ministry of Education if they find false data in the reports provided by universities”. In fact, nobody ever checked the data and information provided by the universities.

Given at least these things, although AMUCRSP stipulates that „the assessment for ranking the study programmes should be carried annually”, no assessment has been made since 2011.

However, eleven of the study programmes offered by our University, classified in eight study fields, were ranked as follows:

Study field	Category
Accounting ²	B
Finance	B
Dentistry	B
Psychology	C
Business Administration ³	C
Informatics	C
Medicine	D
Law ⁴	D

¹ See http://chestionar.uefiscdi.ro/docs/programe_de_studii.pdf.

² At the Faculty of Economic Sciences Bucharest and the Faculty of Economic Sciences Târgu Jiu.

³ Business Administration at the Faculty of Economic Sciences Bucharest, and Economy of Commerce, Tourism and Services at the Faculty of Economic Sciences Târgu Jiu.

⁴ At the Faculty of Law Bucharest and Faculty of Law Târgu Jiu.