

To the Chairman of the Scientific Committee, determined
with order № RD - 80/16. 03. 2020, from the Rector
of the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov" -Burgas

OPINION STATEMENT

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Subject: Competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education 7. "Health and Sports", professional field 7.4. "Public Health", scientific specialty "Kinesitherapy".

In the competition for the academic position "Associate Professor", announced in the State Newspaper, issue № 5 / 16.03.2020, as well as on the website of the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov" - Burgas, one candidate is allowed to participate, the Ass.Professor Jordan Todorov Gavrailov.

By the Order № RD - 80 / 16.03.2020 issued from the Rector of the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov" - Burgas, I was elected as a member of the scientific committee and I was obligated to write an opinion statement regarding the above mentioned competition for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor" with candidate, assistant Professor Jordan Todorov Gavrailov, PhD.

I. Analysis of the candidate's career profile

The candidate, Jordan Todorov Gavrailov, was born in the city of Burgas in 1977. In 2002 he obtained a bachelor degree in Kinesitherapy at the University of Ruse "Angel Kanchev", and during 2009 a master degree. He started his professional career as a physiotherapist at the Military Hospital "St. George the Victorious" at the city of Burgas. In 2015, he acquired a PhD

from the Faculty of Public Health and Health Care at the University of Ruse "Angel Kanchev" after a successfully defending of his dissertation entitled "Kinesitherapy for bronchial asthma". From 2017 until today, the Ass.Professor Jordan Todorov Gavrailov, MD holds the academic position of Assistant Professor in the Department of Rehabilitation and Marine Medicine in Faculty of Public Health and Health Car and in Medical College at the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov"- Burgas. He speaks English and French at a good level.

II. General description of the materials submitted in the competition

The documents for participation in the competition of the candidate comply with the necessary requirements included in the Regulations for the terms and conditions for acquiring scientific degrees and holding academic positions ALEASRB, at the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov"- Burgas.

III. Complex qualitative assessment of the teaching activity

The candidate teaches the discipline "Kinesitherapy" to the Bachelor's Degree, program of "Medical Rehabilitation and Occupational Therapy", full-time education, in Faculty of Public Health and Health Care at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas, as well as to " to the Professional Bachelor's Degree, program " Rehabilitator", at the Medical College at the University " Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas. Ass. Professor Jordan Todorov Gavrailov, MD participates in the development of curricula of discipline "Kinesitrerapy" for the specialty "Medical Rehabilitation and Occupational Therapy", Bachelor's degree, and for the specialty "Rehabilitator", Professional Bachelor's degree, regular education at the Medical College at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas. The candidate participates in the practical training and undergraduate internship of students in specialty "Medical Rehabilitation and Occupational Therapy", Bachelor's degree, full-time education. The report on the educational occupation with the students shows the overwork of the candidate during the last five years.

IV Evaluation of the scientific publications of the candidate

For the needs of this competition Assistant Professor Jordan Todorov Gavrailov, MD has presented 25 scientific publications in non-refereed journals with scientific review - on the G8 indicator, and in 14 (56%) of them, the candidate is a leading author, as well as in the remaining 11 (44%) as co-author. Fifteen (15) of the publications have been published in collections and edited collective volumes, four (4) of which are abroad (Serbia and Montenegro).

The candidate also presented one (1) habilitation thesis - on indicator B1, entitled "Kinesitherapy for vestibular dysfunction" and two (2) university textbooks, entitled "Medical and social rehabilitation of diabetes mellitus and its complications" and "Prevention of occupational stress in health professionals. "

The presented publications of the Ass. Professor Gavrailov, PhD covers various areas of kinesitherapy, as the most important are the prevention of health status in patients with bronchial asthma, rehabilitation of socially significant diseases, physical therapy for exposure to systemic connective tissue disease in childhood, stress prevention, application of SPA and wellness effects and the quality of education and training of health care specialists.

Evidence for a total of 11 positive citations identified in monographs and collective volumes with scientific review are presented.

The candidate fulfills the conditions for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor" in accordance with Art. 29 of LEASRB and minimum required points for the academic position "Associate Professor", according to ALEASRB in Area 7. "Health and Sports", professional field 7.4. "Public Health". The candidate also fulfills all the conditions for holding the academic position of "associate professor" in accordance with Art. 73 of the Regulations on the terms and conditions for acquiring scientific degrees and holding academic positions at the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov "Burgas and minimum required points (See Table 1).

Table 1

Indicator groups	Academic position „Assoc. Professor“		
	Fulfillment	Basic National Requirements	Basic National Requirements University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov" - Burgas.
A Indicator 1	50	50	50
B Indicator 2	0	-	0
C Indicator 3	100	100	100
D Indicator 4	267,5	200	220
E Average of indicators 5 - 9	110	50	60
F Average of indicators 10 -12	39,4	-	20
Overall	566,9	400	450

VI. Reflection of the candidate's publications in the national literature

Data for implementation of the basic national requirements by groups indicators for the scientific degrees and academic positions, according to art. 29, para. 3 of LEASRB shows that Assistant Professor Jordan Gavrailov, PhD achieved 110 points with the minimum required 60 points.

VII. Participation implementation and project management

For the needs of this competition Assistant Professor Jordan Gavrailov, PhD presented evidence for participation in an overall five intra-university research projects, in one of which he is the project manager.

Critical issues and recommendations

In order to increase the number of citations, I would recommend to Assistant Professor Jordan Gavrailov, MD to direct his future scientific publications in indexed international journals. It will be extremely useful and necessary to issue a monograph regarding the prospects and future development of balneal and spa tourism in Bulgaria.

Conclusion

Based on the abovementioned data, I accept that the candidate Ass.Professor Jordan Gavrailov, PhD covers all the requirements for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor" set in LEASRB, the Regulations for its implementation, as well as the Part IV for scientific degrees and holding academic positions at the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov" - Burgas. Taking into account the professional evolution of the candidate, I give my positive vote of his election as "*Associate Professor*" and I strongly recommend the members of the esteemed scientific committee to award Ass. Professor Jordan Gavrailov, PhD the academic position "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education 7. Health and Sports; Professional field: 7.4. Public Health; Scientific specialty "Kinesitherapy" for the needs of the Department of Rehabilitation and Marine Medicine at the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov" - Burgas.

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