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**RECTOR'S DIRECTIVE no. 05/2021****MEASURES RELATED TO ENSURING THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS  
AT THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KOŠICE****I.****Preliminary provisions**

1. Based on the persistence of the emergency situation in the territory of the Slovak Republic declared by the Government of the Slovak Republic by the Resolution of the Government of the SR no. 111 of 11 March 2020 and COVID-19 pandemic declared by the Director-General of the World Health Organization on 11 March 2020, measures were taken in the Slovak Republic aimed at protecting health from COVID-19 disease caused by coronavirus. In addition, on the basis of the Constitutional Act no. 227/2002 Coll. on State Security at the Time of War, State of War, State of Emergency, and State of Crisis, a state of emergency has been declared since 1 October 2020, which was extended for another 40 days – based on the Resolution of the Government of the Slovak Republic no. 807 of 29 December 2020.
2. At the negotiations of the Government of the Slovak Republic, which took place on 2 February 2021, Resolution of the Government of the Slovak Republic no. 75/2021, the “Alert System for Monitoring the Development of the Epidemic and Taking Measures against SARS-CoV-2” (referred to as “Covid Automat”) was updated and comes into effect on 8 February 2021. The Covid Automat determines a set of measures based on the regional epidemiological risk. In the event of an exceptionally unfavourable epidemiological situation, national limits shall apply setting the minimum level of measures.
3. Based on the current measures of the Government of the Slovak Republic, the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic, Task Force of the Technical University of Košice (hereinafter referred to as “TUKE”), and in accordance with Act no. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments to Certain Acts, as amended, Act no. 124/2006 Coll. on Occupational Safety and Health as amended, Art. 52 of Act no. 355/2007 Coll. on Protection and Development of Public Health and on Amendments to Certain Acts as amended, and Act no. 311/2001 Coll. Labour Code as amended by subsequent provisions (hereinafter referred to as “LC”):

**I order:****II.****Educational Process**

1. To continue to carry out all educational activities by the distance method in all levels of study in accordance with Art. 108e of Act no. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions as amended (hereinafter referred to as “Act on HEI”).
2. The gradual transition of educational process from the distance to presence method shall take place when the measures of the Government of the Slovak Republic, the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter “PHA SR”) are relaxed, or after granting an exemption from the Covid Automat in the following order:
  - a) laboratory activities for students in the third level of study,
  - b) laboratory activities for students in the last year of study in connection with the solution of final theses,
  - c) exercises performed in laboratories for students in the second level of study and subsequently for students in the first level of study.In this case, I recommend adjusting the schedules and introducing block scheduling of courses, while observing all current hygienic-epidemiological measures when organizing the educational process.
3. To introduce presence form of study in full after the decision of the Government of the Slovak Republic, PHA SR, or in accordance with the valid Covid Automat.

4. The transition of educational process from the distance method to presence method shall be ensured gradually according to consideration, priorities and specifics of the faculties.
5. To continuously monitor the quality of education provided via distance method of study.

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6. The study schedule remains unchanged.
7. Students shall submit their final theses in accordance with the original schedule.
8. In necessary cases related to carrying out of laboratory activities and activities that require production, testing or measurement equipment, the Dean of the faculty may, at the request of the thesis supervisor, agree to modify the student's assignment of the final thesis, but no later than on 5 March 2021, inclusive.

### **III.**

#### **Providing teaching, research and artistic activities**

1. University teachers, researchers and artistic staff, in agreement with the deans of faculties, heads of university-wide departments, continue their work according to the Rector's Directive no. 04/2021.

### **IV.**

#### **Final provisions**

1. All students and staff of TUKE are obliged to become acquainted with this Rector's Directive and comply with its provisions.
2. This Rector's Directive will be published on the TUKE website, as well as in the "TUKE Legislation" section.
3. All students of TUKE are obliged to follow and comply with the currently issued resolutions and other measures of the Government of the SR, relevant ministries, the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic, and other bodies dealing with the fight against the coronavirus.
4. This directive shall enter into force on the day of its issuance and shall take effect on 8 February 2021.