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International Anatomy Olympiad 2026

REGULATIONS

1. General Terms

- 1.1. The regulations (hereinafter - Regulations) of the “International Anatomy Olympiad” (hereinafter - Olympiad) of the Riga Stradiņš University Student Union (hereinafter - RSU SU) determines the principles and objectives of the project.
- 1.2. The Olympiad is a cooperation project between the students of Riga Stradiņš University (hereinafter - RSU) and the Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology of Riga Stradiņš University (hereinafter - AAI) with the aim of promoting student interest in anatomy as an exciting science, developing students understanding of the importance of teamwork in science and integrating both, RSU and other university, as well as international students in the events of science fields.
- 1.3. Organization:
 - 1.3.1. Date: May 14th-15th, 2026.
 - 1.3.2. Venue: AAI.
- 1.4. The Olympiad is held in English and in order to apply and successfully participate in the Olympiad, a good knowledge of English is required.

2. Selection

- 2.1. Participants:
 - 2.1.1. The participants of the Olympiad are medical students from Riga Stradiņš University up to and including the 2nd semester.
 - 2.1.2. The participants of the Olympiad are 1st-year medical students from invited foreign universities or students in the 2nd-year of study, provided that the Anatomy course is divided into semesters and multiple years, and topics such as the musculoskeletal system, central nervous system, and organ systems have not been covered during the 1st year.
 - 2.1.3. Participation in the Olympiad is offered to Riga Stradiņš University and invited international students in teams of 5.
 - 2.1.4. There are no more than 15 teams participating in the Olympiad in total.

3. Applying to participate

- 3.1. To participate in the Olympiad, the teams are required to registrate for participation until 26.04.2026. using the application form, which is available on the RSU SU website.
- 3.2. To participate in the Olympiad, all members of the team must fulfill the requirements mentioned in paragraph 2.1.1. and 2.1.2.

- 3.3. If more teams register for the Olympiad than specified in 2.1.4, a selection process will be conducted:
 - 3.3.1. Latvian student teams will be selected based on the participants' grade point average in the Human Anatomy course, in accordance with AAI rules and approval.
 - 3.3.2. Applications from foreign student teams will be evaluated by the organising committee, considering the relevance of the submitted application and the team's motivation to participate in the Olympiad.
 - 3.3.3. Preference for participation in the Olympiad will be given to teams with the highest grade point average or the application that best meets the selection criteria. In the event that multiple teams meet the criteria equally or if any disputes arise during the selection process, the organizers grant priority to the team that submitted its application earlier

4. Confirmation of participation

- 4.1. Participants of the Olympiad are only those teams that have received confirmation of participation in the e-mail specified in the application form.
- 4.2. The teams that have received confirmation of participation are required to submit the homework, the conditions of which will be received in the e-mail specified in the application form, by 11.05.2026.
- 4.3. If the team has not fulfilled the conditions mentioned in paragraph 4.2., then the previously received confirmation of participation is cancelled.
- 4.4. If one of the teams that have received confirmation cancels their participation or their participation is cancelled under the conditions mentioned in paragraph 4.3., then the opportunity to participate may be given to another team according to the conditions mentioned in paragraph 3.3.

5. Participation in the Olympiad

- 5.1. During the Olympiad, the participants undertake to act in accordance with the valid regulatory enactments of the Republic of Latvia, as well as to comply with the internal regulations of the Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology (AAI) of Riga Stradiņš University and the internal regulations of RSU.
- 5.2. During the Olympiad, the participants are responsible for their own safety and health.
- 5.3. During the Olympiad, the participants are obliged to treat the property of RSU, AAI and RSU SU with care, as well as use the material values transferred for use correctly according to their meaning.
- 5.4. During the Olympiad, it is strictly forbidden to violate academic integrity and use smart devices (including smartphones, tablets, computers and smart watches), as well as any other equipment that could affect academic integrity.
- 5.5. By applying for the Olympiad, participants agree to the processing of their personal data, including the processing and storing of the provided contact information.

- 5.6. By applying for the Olympiad, participants agree that they might be photographed and filmed during the event, and these photo and video images may be stored and used in publicity material for the Olympiad (including published on social media).

6. Other terms

- 6.1. Certificates and prizes will be awarded to all participants according to the guidelines set by the IAO Organising Committee, considering their scores and performance in the Olympiad, regardless of which university the students are from.
- 6.2. These regulations are applicable as long as they do not conflict with external regulatory enactments.