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**ORDINANCE No 146/2021**  
**OF THE RECTOR OF THE SILESIAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**  
of 30 August 2021  
*(Legal Monitor of the Silesian University of Technology, item 681)*

**concerning the operation of the University from 01 October 2021**

Under Article 23, section 1 of the Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws of 2021, item 478, as amended), with regard to the safety of the academic community in relation to the SARS-CoV-2 epidemic, it is ordered as follows:

**Article 1**

1. In the period from 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022, all forms of education at the Silesian University of Technology (first- and second-cycle studies, long-cycle master's studies, doctoral studies, and other forms of education) shall be conducted as specified in the curriculum for a given education and in the course syllabuses.
2. Teaching shall be conducted in a face-to-face method, i.e. with direct physical participation of academic staff or other individuals conducting classes, students and doctoral students. This applies in particular to laboratory classes, tutorials, seminars (including diploma seminars), project classes, foreign language classes, and consultations.
3. Teaching in a face-to-face method is conducted with preservation of the sanitary regulations in force, taking into account the decisions, recommendations and guidelines issued by the State Sanitary Inspectorate or other state services and bodies carrying out tasks in the field of public health, as well as following the recommendations or guidelines issued by the minister responsible for higher education and science.
4. The Rector may introduce a different method of organizing the education than that specified in section 2 in the event of the SARS-CoV-2 epidemic intensification, restriction of the University's operation concerning the prevention, counteraction and eradication of COVID-19 introduced by the regulation of the minister responsible for higher education and science, or in the event of other extraordinary circumstances justifying such a modification.
5. Basic university units are required to establish timetables for the academic year 2021/2022 in such a way that, in the situation referred to in section 4, it will be possible to deliver these courses following the organisation of education established by the Rector, in particular by the prompt implementation of the distance learning methods and techniques.
6. Lectures are conducted in a face-to-face or blended method (with part of the group present in the lecture hall), depending on technical and organisational capacity. In the case of lectures conducted in a blended method, basic

units are required to record these lectures and make the audio-video recordings available on the Distance Education Platform of the Silesian University of Technology in a secured manner with which requires user name and password. Access to the recordings on the Distance Education Platform is available only to the person conducting the course and to students/doctoral students of a given course group or a given year of study.

7. In the case of practical skills-building classes, distance learning methods and techniques may be used alternatively.

8. A pregnant female student/doctoral student or a student/doctoral student with a disability has priority in taking up a seat in a teaching room and in access to the equipment and measuring or experimental apparatus or other specialist equipment used during classes.

9. The rules of course delivery and verification of achieved learning outcomes using distance learning methods and techniques are defined in the Ordinance No 200/2020 of the Rector of the Silesian University of Technology of 29 September 2020 on the rules of course delivery and verification of achieved learning outcomes using distance learning methods and techniques (Legal Monitor of 2020, item 901).

## **Article 2**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to the training of participants in postgraduate programmes and other forms of education as appropriate.

## **Article 3**

This Ordinance shall enter into force on 1 October 2021.

**Rector of SUT: *A. Mężyk***