

# RESULTS OF THE SURVEY OF THE FINAL YEAR STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGIES

2020-2021 academic year

**The aim of the survey:** to reveal the fulfilment of student expectations during the whole study period and students' opinion about the preparation for the labour market.

The survey was conducted online from May 10 to June 7, 2021, using the LimeSurvey survey system. The questionnaire was sent to 343 final year students of the Faculty of Technologies. The obtained data was processed using SPSS 20 for Windows software.

## SURVEY RESULTS (N=105)

The total number of 105 final year students of the Faculty of Technologies participated in the survey: 87 (82.9%) full-time students and 18 (17.1%) part-time students. 81.9% of the respondents hold state-funded study places. More than half (54.3%) of the respondents have jobs: 30.5% of students work in the field related to the study program and 23.8% work outside their study program.

### 1. Rating the studies at Kaunas University of Applied Sciences:

Rating scale	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree	3 Partly agree	4 Agree	5 Strongly agree	Average
Statements						
The studies met my expectations	1.9%	7.6%	38.1%	45.7%	6.7%	3.9
The knowledge and skills I acquired during my studies are in demand in the labour market	1.9%	7.6%	33.3%	42.9%	14.3%	3.9
There is prevailing atmosphere of tolerance and non-discrimination	3.8%	6.7%	21.0%	39.0%	29.5%	3,5
I had the possibility to select freely elective courses	15.2%	3.8%	15.2%	25.7%	40.0%	3.3
The internships carried out during the studies were useful	2.9%	6.7%	37.1%	30.5%	22.9%	3.4
Distance learning (live lectures online, lecture recordings, learning materials on Moodle or other platforms, etc.) was well organized	1.9%	7.6%	30.5%	43.8%	16.2%	4.4
I had the opportunity to participate in mobility programs (Erasmus +, other bilateral exchanges)	14.3%	8.6%	16.2%	26.7%	34.3%	3.1
The information sources in the library and databases and the access to the information sources met my needs	0.0%	1.9%	24.8%	46.7%	26.7%	4.3
The lecture rooms are adapted for the implementation of the study program	0.0%	3.8%	19.0%	48.6%	28.6%	4.4

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Statements						
I was able to use special equipment, laboratories, and other facilities to perform individual assignments	1.0%	6.7%	18.1%	31.4%	42.9%	3.8
I had the opportunity to participate in applied research / art activities	6.7%	5.7%	23.8%	37.1%	26.7%	3.9

## 2. Rating the adequacy of support and services for students during the entire study period at Kaunas University of Applied Sciences:

Rating scale	Not sure	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Partly agree	Agree	Strongly agree
Statements						
Academic support (study counselling) for students was sufficient	10.5%	3.8%	5.7%	21.9%	42.9%	14.3%
Psychological support for students was adequate	33.3%	5.7%	7.6%	20.0%	16.2%	17.1%
The career planning services provided by the Career Centre (consultations, seminars, internship and / or job advertisements, career days, etc.) were sufficient	24.8%	3.8%	5.7%	25.7%	24.8%	15.2%
Student occupation services (art groups, sports activities, events, etc.) were sufficient	20.0%	3.8%	3.8%	23.8%	23.8%	15.2%

## 3. Rating the chosen study program:

1 I am very dissatisfied with the study program	2 I am dissatisfied with the study program	3 I am neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with the study program	4 I am satisfied with the study program	5 I am very satisfied with the study program
1.9%	8.6%	31.4%	51.4%	6.7%

## 4. Rating readiness for a professional career after graduation:

Sufficiently prepared to work in the field of my studies	20.0%
Moderately prepared to work in the field of my studies	44.8%
Insufficiently prepared, as it will be necessary to learn everything after employment	28.6%
Insufficiently prepared, but I do not plan to work in the field of my studies	2.9%
Other	3.8%

## 5. Intentions to continue studies:

Yes	17.1%
No	45.7%
Not sure	37.1%

**6. Recommending the study program to a friend on a 10-point scale, where 1 – I would not recommend it at all, and 10 – I would definitely recommend.**

1 I wouldn't recommend it at all	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 I would definitely recommend
3.8%	3.8%	2.9%	1.9%	12.4%	5.7%	26.7%	25.7%	9.5%	7.6%

Students rated the classrooms and the organization of distance learning (live lectures online, lecture recordings, learning materials on Moodle or other platforms, etc.) with the highest scores: the average of the evaluations was 4.4. Students rated the lowest participation in mobility programs (Erasmus +, other bilateral exchanges), with an average of 3.1. In assessing the adequacy of support and services at the college, students rated academic support the best.

Almost two thirds of students (58.1%) are satisfied or completely satisfied with their studies. 64.8 percent of students feel ready for a professional career. 17.1 percent of respondents intend to continue their studies at universities.

More than half (52.4%) of the respondents chose the values of 7 or 8 when rating the study program recommendation.

In order to improve the quality of studies, some students suggest: to optimize the number of assessments and / or practical tasks; inform more quickly about changes in the study process (during the quarantine period); make it possible to subscribe to information and reminders about changes in the study schedule; make it possible to filter the calendar by various sections (according to the study subject, semesters, etc.), make direct links between the study subject indicated in the schedule and its account in the Moodle class; in some study programs, change study plans (more external internships, change the order of study subjects); ensure the required number of software licenses, purchase other equipment (virtual reality glasses, graphics tablets).

For more information on the measures being implemented in the light of the views expressed by students, see the *You said, we did* section.