

# RESULTS OF THE SURVEY OF THE SECOND AND THIRD-YEAR STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGIES

The aim of the survey is to find out students' attitudes towards the study conditions and to assess their overall satisfaction with their studies.

2022–2023 academic year

The survey was conducted online from **28 March to 30 April 2023** using the LimeSurvey system. The questionnaire was sent to 235 second and third-year students of the Faculty of Technology, excluding final year students. The data was processed using SPSS 20 for Windows.

The overall return rate of the questionnaires is 24 (10.21 %). The survey error is 19 %.

## SURVEY RESULTS (N=24)

The survey was carried out among 24 upper year students, the majority of whom (70.8 %) were second-year students. 96 % of the respondents are full-time students. The majority (87.5 %) of the students who took part in the survey are studying in state-funded study places. Almost half (45.8 %) of the respondents are employed.

The students of the following study programmes took part in the survey: *Automation and Robotics, Cyber Systems and Safety, Software Systems, Gastronomy and Catering Organisation, Food Technology, Multimedia Technology, Industrial Design Engineering.*

### 1. Assessment of satisfaction with studies at Kauno kolegija:

1 Completely dissatisfied	2 Dissatisfied	3 Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	4 Satisfied	5 Completely satisfied
4,17 %	12,50 %	37,50 %	45,83 %	0,00 %

### 2. Assessment of the impact of relevant factors on study satisfaction:

Rating scale	1 Completely irrelevant	2 Irrelevant	3 Neither relevant nor irrelevant	4 Relevant	5 Completely relevant	Average
Factor						
Quality of studies	0,00 %	4,17 %	8,33 %	25,00 %	62,50 %	4,46
Study workload	0,00 %	4,17 %	8,33 %	45,83 %	41,67 %	4,25
Option to choose elective courses	12,50 %	4,17 %	54,17 %	12,50 %	16,67 %	3,17
Distance learning	12,50 %	0,00 %	16,67 %	37,50 %	33,33 %	3,79
Opportunity to participate in research activities	8,33 %	20,83 %	29,17 %	25,00 %	16,67 %	3,21
Access to library services and resources	16,67 %	16,67 %	25,00 %	20,83 %	20,83 %	3,13
Access to mobility programmes (e.g. Erasmus+, other bilateral exchanges)	20,83 %	20,83 %	16,67 %	25,00 %	16,67 %	2,96

Rating scale	1 Completely irrelevant	2 Irrelevant	3 Neither relevant nor irrelevant	4 Relevant	5 Completely relevant	Average
Factor						
Prevailing atmosphere of tolerance and non-discrimination	16,67 %	4,17 %	45,83 %	20,83 %	12,50 %	3,08
Ensuring academic integrity	4,17 %	12,50 %	20,83 %	45,83 %	16,67 %	3,58
Support for students	8,33 %	4,17 %	16,67 %	33,33 %	37,50 %	3,88
Study and learning environment	4,17 %	4,17 %	20,83 %	37,50 %	33,33 %	3,92
Access to sports activities	20,83 %	25,00 %	16,67 %	25,00 %	12,50 %	2,83
Students' leisure and activity organisation	16,67 %	25,00 %	33,33 %	8,33 %	16,67 %	2,83

### 3. Sufficiency of information about studies (including information about distance learning and its organisation) and services at Kauno kolegija:

Yes, the information is sufficient	33,3 %
Partly sufficient	62,5 %
No, the information is insufficient	4,5 %

### 4. Evaluation of personal study load:

The study load is reasonable	58,33 %
The study load is excessive	33,33 %
The study load is too low	8,33 %

### 5. Rating of the organisation of studies at Kauno kolegija:

Rating scale	0 No answer	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree	3 Partly agree	4 Agree	5 Strongly agree	Average
Statement							
Timely introduction to the lecture timetable and its changes	0,00 %	8,33 %	16,67 %	33,33 %	37,50 %	4,17 %	3,13
The study process can be individualised (e.g. by choosing part of the subjects to be studied, studying according to an individual study plan, etc.)	16,67 %	20,83 %	4,17 %	33,33 %	20,83 %	4,17 %	2,80
I am satisfied with the free choice of electives subjects	8,33 %	4,17 %	20,83 %	16,67 %	29,17 %	20,83 %	3,45
Distance learning (live online lectures, lectures recordings, learning materials on Moodle or other platforms, etc.) is well organised.	0,00 %	12,50 %	0,00 %	20,83 %	37,50 %	29,17 %	3,71

Rating scale Statement	0 No answer	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree	3 Partly agree	4 Agree	5 Strongly agree	Average
I am/was involved in scientific, applied research, artistic activities during my studies (e.g. participation in research, publications with lecturers, joint artistic projects with lecturers) etc.).	33,33 %	20,83 %	12,50 %	16,67 %	8,33 %	8,33 %	2,56
The sources of information in the library and databases are appropriate suitable for study, provided adequate access to them.	25,00 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	12,50 %	41,67 %	12,50 %	3,78
Opportunities for students to participate in mobility programmes (e.g. Erasmus+, other bilateral exchanges)	8,33 %	0,00 %	0,00 %	16,67 %	54,17 %	20,83 %	4,05
The atmosphere of tolerance and non-discrimination prevail at KK	4,17 %	4,17 %	4,17 %	29,17 %	33,33 %	25,00 %	3,74
Academic integrity is ensured at KK	0,00 %	4,17 %	8,33 %	25,00 %	45,83 %	16,67 %	3,63
The organisation of internships is clear	8,33 %	8,33 %	37,50 %	33,33 %	12,50 %	0,00 %	2,55
The procedure of submitting and handling appeals and complaints is clear to me	25,00 %	12,50 %	29,17 %	25,00 %	8,33 %	0,00 %	2,39
The feedback (publicised and/or survey results, round table discussions, meetings with discussions with students, etc.) is provided by the Faculty	16,67 %	8,33 %	16,67 %	25,00 %	25,00 %	8,33 %	3,10

## 6. Rating of study and leisure conditions at Kauno kolegija:

Rating scale	0 Do not use	1 Unsatisfactory (did not meet my expectations)	2 Satisfactory	3 Good (some improvements needed)	4 Very good (no changes needed)	Average
Conditions						
Lecture rooms	4,17 %	8,33 %	4,17 %	62,50 %	20,83 %	3,00
Laboratories	37,50 %	4,17 %	16,67 %	25,00 %	16,67 %	2,87
Library	41,67 %	0,00 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	50,00 %	3,86
Self-study facilities	37,50 %	8,33 %	8,33 %	25,00 %	20,83 %	2,93
Virtual Learning Environment (e.g. Moodle, intranet) etc.)	0,00 %	12,50 %	20,83 %	45,83 %	20,83 %	2,75
Wi-Fi	29,17 %	16,67 %	16,67 %	25,00 %	12,50 %	2,47
Sports and fitness complex	66,67 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	8,33 %	16,67 %	3,25
Canteen	50,00 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	29,17 %	12,50 %	3,08
Dormitory	25,00 %	20,83 %	12,50 %	29,17 %	12,50 %	2,44
Recreation areas	25,00 %	8,33 %	8,33 %	54,17 %	4,17 %	2,72
Organisation of students' activities (art groups, sports activities, events, etc.)	66,67 %	8,33 %	16,67 %	8,33 %	0,00 %	2,00

## 7. Rating of support for students:

Rating scale	0 Can't answer / don't know	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree	3 Partly agree	4 Agree	5 Strongly agree	Average
Statement							
I have the opportunity to be consulted by the academic staff after lectures	8,33 %	4,17 %	20,83 %	16,67 %	45,83 %	4,17 %	3,27
I have access to academic writing training in the library (tutorials and training on sourcing, citation, preparation of coursework, prevention of plagiarism).	41,67 %	4,17 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	37,50 %	8,33 %	3,79
I have access to career planning services provided by the Career Centre (counselling, seminars, announcements regarding internship)	45,83 %	4,17 %	8,33 %	8,33 %	33,33 %	0,00 %	3,31

Rating scale	0 Can't answer / don't know	1 Strong ly disagr ee	2 Disagree	3 Partly agree	4 Agree	5 Strongly agree	Average
Statement							
placements and/or job positions, career days, etc.							
If needed, I can get a place in a dormitory.	25,00 %	4,17 %	0,00 %	16,67 %	33,33 %	20,83 %	3,89
I have access to financial assistance (social grants, incentive scholarships).	20,83 %	0,00 %	4,17 %	8,33 %	41,67 %	25,00 %	4,11
If needed, I can get psychological support	58,33 %	0,00 %	4,17 %	4,17 %	20,83 %	12,50 %	4,00
I know where I can find information on student support.	33,33 %	0,00 %	4,17 %	8,33 %	50,00 %	4,17 %	3,81

#### 8. Rating of the availability and timeliness of the support needed:

Rating scale	0 Can't answer / don't know	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree	3 Partly agree	4 Agree	5 Strongly agree	Average
Statement							
The support and/or assistance required is easily accessible	41,67 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	25,00 %	25,00 %	0,00 %	3,29
The support and/or assistance required is provided timely	54,17 %	0,00 %	8,33 %	25,00 %	12,50 %	0,00 %	3,09

#### 9. Recommending a study programme being studied to a friend:

Yes	50,00 %
No	25,00 %
Not sure	25,00 %

The survey revealed that 45.83 % of the Faculty students are satisfied or completely satisfied with their studies at Kauno kolegija. The most important factors influencing satisfaction with studies, according to the students, are: high-quality studies, adequate study load, attractive study and learning environments and access to support. The least influential factors on study satisfaction are access to sports activities and students' leisure and activity conditions.

58.33 % of the students who participated in the survey indicated that their study load is adequate (50 % in 2022, 42.2 % in 2021); 33 % indicated that their study load is too heavy. Students appreciate the opportunities to participate in international exchange programmes and the adequacy and accessibility of the information sources in the library and databases for their studies,

but they feel that the procedures for submitting and dealing with appeals and complaints are not sufficiently clear and that they need more information on the organisation of placements.

In terms of study and leisure environments, students rate the library and the sports and fitness complex the highest. It should be noted that more than half (66.67 %) of the students who participated in the survey indicated that they do not use the services of the sports and fitness complex or the services of the student activity organisation (do not take part in the activities of art groups, events etc.). However, these two activities are the least likely to be associated with satisfaction with studies.

Students propose to improve the quality of wireless internet connection in order to improve study and leisure conditions at Kauno kolegija.

95.8 % of upper course students claim that information on studies is sufficient or partially sufficient (98 % in 2022; 95.2 % in 2021).

In terms of support, students rate the availability of support reasonably well, but more attention should be paid to the timeliness of the support needed. Students rate the availability of financial and psychological support most favourably.

50 % of upper year students would recommend the study programme to their friends.

For more information on the measures implemented in response to students' feedback, see the section *You said, we did*.