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Decision of the Academic Senate of the Catholic University “Our Lady of Good Counsel” on the Establishment of the University Support Service for Students with Disabilities and/or Specific Learning Disorders (SLD) and/or Temporary Specific Needs.

The Academic Senate of the Catholic University “Our Lady of Good Counsel” at its meeting on 06/12/2023, based on the Law No. 80/2015 "On Higher Education and Scientific Research in Higher Education Institutions in the Republic of Albania", the bylaws in its implementation, the mission and the Statute (art. 2, art. 42 and art. 43), in alignment with its commitment to inclusivity and accessibility in HE, unanimously discussed and decided to approve the Establishment of the University Support Service for Students with Disabilities and/or Specific Learning Disorders (SLD) and/or Temporary Specific Needs (supported by the “Inclusive tertiary Education in the West BalkanS” EU project).

The roles and responsibilities of the Support Service are defined in detail in the University's Regulation for the inclusion and right to education of students with disabilities and/or Specific Learning Disorders (SLD) and/or temporary specific needs.

The Support Service is the first contact point that plays a strategic role in informing, orientating, welcoming, identifying needs, defining interventions, managing, and monitoring the correct implementation of procedures in order to ensure adequate support, reasonable and accessible accommodation measures for prospective students and for students with disabilities and/or SLD and/or temporary specific needs. It collaborates closely with Faculties, Departments, offices and teaching and technical administrative staff in carrying out their activities for an ever-improving fulfillment of educational needs and student needs ensuring the confidentiality of data provided in accordance with the regulations in force. It establishes ongoing consultation with external organizations, other universities, and entities and organizes activities regarding the policy of supporting students with disabilities/SLD and awareness raising for inclusion.

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