## **Internationalization Policy**

Internationalization is one of the main priorities of the TSMU, which in recent years has acquired even more importance in the process of globalization in terms of increasing competitiveness and quality of education. Internationalization of TSMU envisages development of international relations and cooperation on a global scale to bring the higher education in line with the requirements and challenges related to the globalization of society, economics and labor market. TSMU follows the Bologna Process ensuring the compliance and harmonization of academic and professional standards with the European ones.

The main directions of internationalization of TSMU are:

- 1) International recognition and enhancing the attractiveness of TSMU:
  - Promotion of TSMU high international ranking;
  - Membership in different International Organizations and Associations and active involvement in the events/activities organized by them;
- 2) Internationalization of academic programmes:
- Competent and innovative approach to curriculum development;
- Introduction of modern methods of teaching and knowledge assessment;
- Application of modern information and communication technologies (ICT) in teaching and learning processes;
- Development and implementation of joint programmes;
- 3) International students recruitment :
- Involvement in international student support programme "Study in Georgia",
- Participation in the International Education Fairs;
- Collaboration with international recruitment companies/agencies;
- Communication with individual applicants
- 4) Internationalization of research:
- Internationalization of science, technologies and innovations,
- Participation in International Framework Programmes, including "Horizon 2020" and seeking for other sources of funding;
- Participation of research staff in international research programmes and grants;
- Encourage and promote the translative, intersectoral, interdisciplinary and interinstitutional research activities/works;
- Identification of the clusters of strong research areas / fields and promoting building strong relationships with famous researchers/research centers abroad;
- Development of new programme for science festivals and its integration in international scientific festivals
- 5) International mobility Exchange programmes for students and academic personnel:
- ERASMUS +;
- Maintaining and development of exchange programmes with the partner universities and university clinics on the base of the bilateral agreements;
- 6) Invitation of international professors to provide academic and medical activities (including charity activities) in Georgia;
- 7) Participation in various professional events / activities Continuous training of health professionals:
- Distance learning and telemedicine;
- 8) International Cooperation with TSMU graduates (alumni):
- Create and maintain a database of alumni
- Verification of documents diploma and diploma supplement