

STUDENT Rights Charter

"We, the students, have the right to participate in the decisions that shape our education"

This Charter highlights the general principles and guarantees related to the students' participation in all its dimensions. The purpose is to promote the empowerment of students in the exercise of their rights.

Slovakia

Government and Management

You have the right to

- be elected and elect students into academic senate
- be elected and elect delegate to Student Council for Higher Education (ŠRVŠ)
- academic senate in which at least 1/3 consist of students
- disciplinary committee in which at least 1/2 consist of students
- have at least one student representative in HEI's board
- for any decision to be reviewed if necessary, even by court
- attend as observer academic senate
- free to express their views and suggestions about higher education

Where: usually on academic ground

When/How often: election cycles are established by HEIs and organization (usually every 2-3 years)

How:

Regulation: national law 131/2002

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Elected	§4 (1) e)	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2002/131/20200425
Academic senate	§8 (1)	
Disciplinary	§13 (2)	
Board	§40 (2)	
ŠRVŠ	§107 (4) b)	
Free expression	§70 (1) i)	

Academic and Quality

You have the right to (usually limited to study regulation at every HEI allow)

- study at speed they choose, choose courses and teachers
- study elsewhere (multiple at the same time)
- at least once a year give anonymous feedback

within QA

- as stakeholder be represented and included at all level (student at accreditation agency, at HEI quality board, at the formation and evaluation of study programs, at reviews, at accreditation, etc.)

Where:

When/How often:

How:

Regulation: higher education law 131/2002 and QA law 269/2018

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	§70 – Higher education law §3, §8 (2) – QA law	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2002/131/20200425 https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2018/269/20181101

Social, Cultural and Sports

You have the right to

- social stipend (complicated criteria and process, but if they satisfy criteria, they have right to get the monthly stipend)
- motivational scholarship (top 10% students and specific study fields)
- apply for a loan from public funds administered by public institution
- grant for accommodation (applicable only in HEI facility)
- grant for food (applicable only HEI facility or contracted)
- form student organizations and associations

Where:

When/How often:

How: stipends and scholarships are given directly to students; grants are given in discounted payment for accommodation and meals in specific facilities related to HEIs

Regulation: higher education law 131/2002

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	§94-101	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2002/131/20200425

Equality and Inclusion

You have the right to

- equal treatment regardless of age, sex, sexual orientation, marital or family status, race, color of skin, handicaps, language, political and other views, member of national minority, religion and faith, union activities, national or social origins, heritage, family and other positions.
- free education (even though this is written in constitution, this does not apply to higher education, but public HEIs are free, at least the first time)
- special assistance for students with special need

What:

Where:

When/How often:

How:

Regulation: higher education law 131/2002

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	§100 §55 (2)	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2002/131/20200425

Dimension

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- Social, Cultural and Sports

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