Regulations for the planning and organization of elective and optional modules (disciplines), approved by SPbPU order No. 1186 of May 30, 2018

Regulations for the planning and organization of elective and optional modules (disciplines) establish unified requirements for organization, order of completing elective and optional modules (disciplines) by students enrolled in programmes of higher education at SPbPU.

Developing and implementing study programmes of higher education, the University enables students to select obligatory elective (selected from the list of compulsory courses) modules (disciplines), mobility modules and optional modules (non-compulsory).

Completion of elective modules (disciplines) aims to develop competencies stipulated by the Basic Study Programme (BSP). Completion of mobility modules enables acquiring basic knowledge, skills, experience and competencies in different subject areas. To develop extra competencies or to master BSP competencies at a higher level, the University is able to implement optional modules (disciplines).

Students sign up for elective, optional and mobility modules confirming this by their signature on the application. A student, who signs up for the elective module (discipline) which cannot be implemented for the reason of insufficient number of students in a group, is not admitted to the module (discipline). However, this student has an opportunity to select a different module (discipline), or to apply for a self-study of this module (discipline).

Elective courses for physical education and sport (PE) are divided into three groups: the mainstream group provides for an opportunity to take PE classes with no restrictions to take part in competitions and tournaments; the preparatory group provides for an opportunity to take PE classes with insignificant restrictions in physical workload, when participation in competitions and tournaments is allowed only by medical permission; special health impairment group provides for an opportunity to take PE classes with significant restrictions in physical workload

and activity. According to the medical assessment in the first semester, students are categorized by PE training groups: sport, mainstream and special.

The list of the mobility module courses is approved by SPbPU Teaching and Learning Council. The listed courses are implemented in SPbPU in the form of online courses (MOOC; SPOC), open online courses implemented outside SPbPU on the basis of the network agreement between SPbPU and other education institutions.

A student signs up for courses of the mobility module for the ongoing academic year by submitting an application to the name of the head of the study programme with the list of the courses selected. These courses are regarded as compulsory for this student.