OPTIMA – BULGARIA

Inspection and Accreditation Scheme and Scoring System

Summary

Category	Total	Pass
I.MANAGEMENT	20	14
1. Accuracy and veracity of information	6	4
2. Administrative management	14	10
II.ACADEMIC MANAGEMENT	24	17
1. System of tuition	14	10
2. System of professional guidance	10	7
III.STANDARDS OF TEACHING	38	26
1. Planning the lesson	6	4
2. Conducting the lesson	12	8
3. Teaching methods	10	7
4. Teacher's linguistic and communicative	10	7
competence		
IV.GENERAL	18	12
1. Working environment	12	8
2. General facilities and other	6	4
TOTAL	100	69

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Inspection and Accreditation Scheme *Excerpts*

I.MANAGEMENT total: 20 pass: 14

1. Accuracy and veracity of information

Total: 6 pass: 4

Focus points	Points to check	Score	Comments
1.1. Course	Information about course length and	0/2	
description	dates, class size,		
_	age restrictions, range of levels, course		
	types		
1.2. Course	Information about placement	0/2	
procedures	procedures, ongoing assessment,		
	certification		
	 Check brochures, leaflets and other 		
	recent publicity materials including		
	website.		
1.3. Price	Check whether before enrolment clients	0/2	
specification	are provided with clear information on:		
	number of hours taught, dates of closure		
	and holidays, what is included in the		
	course fee / enrolment fee, materials,		
	exam fees; methods of payment,		
	cancellations, and withdrawals.		
	 Check brochures, price lists, speak 		
	to admin staff and students.		

2. Administrative management total: 14 pass: 10

Focus points	Points to check	Score	Comments
2.1. Organizational	Check management structure,	0/2	
structure, distribution of	organogram. Are		
responsibilities,	Teachers aware of it?		
communication	Check channels of		
	communication /notice board,		
	meetings, memos, other forms.		
2.2. Job descriptions	Check availability of job description	0/2	
	of staff involved in management		
2.3. Observation of legal	Check legal registration	0/2	
requirements			
2.4. Observation of	Check tax registration, social	0/2	
financial requirements	security registration, annual profit		
	and loss account		
2.5. Procedure for dealing	Check for relevant documents	0/2	
with staff grievances	/talk to staff.		

2.6. Recruitment policy aimed at employing appropriately trained, qualified and experienced staff	 Ways of employing staff are they interviewed? Check staff files for CVs and copies of qualifications. 	0/2	
2.7. Specified procedure for dealing with complaints and indiscipline	Speak to teachers and students and look for oral or written regulations.	0/2	

II.ACADEMIC MANAGEMENT

1. System of tuition total: 14 pass: 11

Focus points	Points to check	Score	Comments
1.1. Availability of syllabuses	 Check syllabuses, level description –whether they are available to teachers. Can DOS specify what methods are used and if they correspond to what is stated in publicity materials? 	0/2	
1.2. Use of entry/ placement procedures, needs analyses	 Check: placement tests and procedures. Speak to staff/ DOS, teachers, administration/ and students. 	0/2	
1.3. Guiding/ providing students with teaching materials	Check textbooks and materials used for teaching particular levels and age groups, appropriateness and availability.	0/2	
1.4. On –going assessment and end-of-course testing	 Check records of progress, final tests. Speak to DOS, teachers and students. 	0/2	
1.5. Continuous evaluation of teaching and learning by the students.	Speak to DOS teachers and students and relevant documentation optional.	0/2	
1.6. Maintaining coherence of teaching standards	Check system of communication between teachers, DOS and teachers	0/2	
1.7. Awarding students with certificates	Check format and wording of leaving certificates – do they explain on what basis they are issued?	0/2	

2. System of professional guidance total: 10 pass: 7

Focus points	Points to check	Score	Comments
2.1. Keeping records	 Check records of materials used and lessons taught. Check attendance records. 	0/2	
2.2. Availability of teacher replacement procedure.	Speak to teachers and students	0/2	
2.3. Maintaining the quality of and discussing teachers performance	Check teaching observation and feedback record and talk to DOS and teachers.	0/2	
2.4. Availability of teacher induction system	Check procedures and relevant written documentation – talk to teachers.	0/2	
2.5. Opportunities for continuous training and development of teachers.	 Check whether there is a coherent in-service training scheme. Is support provided for conference participation? Do teachers' meetings take place regularly? (Any relevant documentation). 	0/2	