

OPINION

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Member of the Scientific Jury in the competition for the academic position *Professor* in the area of higher education 3. Social, Economic and Legal Studies, scientific field 3.4 Social activities (Art therapy and socialization) , announced by Konstantin Preslavsky – University of Shumen in the State Gazette, No. 98/17/11/2020

Candidate: Assoc. Professor, PhD Zhivko Velichkov Zhechev – Lecturer at Konstantin Preslavsky – University of Shumen

1. Summary data for candidate

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhivko Zhechev was born on January 31, 1959. He obtained his higher education - Bachelor and Master, as well as educational and scientific degree "Doctor" at the Konstantin preslavsky – University of Shumen as follows:

- Specialty "Bulgarian Philology", educational qualification degree "Bachelor" in 1980;
- Specialty "Social Activities", educational qualification degree "Master" in 2001;
- Doctor of Theory of Education and Didactics (Social Pedagogy), Professional field 1.2. Pedagogy, Field of Higher Education 1. Pedagogical Sciences, with a dissertation on "Motivation for social activity through art" in 2013.

2. Teaching activity

The candidate in the competition has a sufficient teaching load: in the Bachelor degree - 10 disciplines, and in the Master degree - 5 disciplines.

3. Academic activity

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhivko Zhechev has participated in 7 national projects and 14 institutional, intra-university projects. He has participated in 15 scientific forums. He has also participated in editorial boards of scientific journals.

4. Publication activity

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhivko Zhechev is distinguished by high publishing activity. He has 41 articles and published conference reports. He has published 1 textbook and 2 textbooks. There are 25 citations, mainly in publications of his colleagues from the University of Shumen, which means that his work is well known in the academic community of the university.

5. Scientific publications submitted for participation in the competition.

5.1. Habilitation work:

- The need for a father figure for children placed in social services and institutions. Shumen, University publishing house “Konstantin Preslavsky” 2020, 125 p., ISBN 978-619-201-452-4

5.2. Published monograph, which is not presented as a major habilitation work

- Sociological and legal regulation of the problem of disadvantaged children. Shumen, University publishing house “Konstantin Preslavsky” 2019, 166 p., ISBN 978-619-201-291-5

5.3. Articles, published in unrefereed journals with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes.

- Psychodiagnostics to excursions in the social development // SocioBrains, Issue 18, February 2016, pp. 39-44, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2016
- Need for integrative knowledge in the application of art therapy // Collection of scientific works of the traveling seminar Belgrade - Ljubljana - Italian Riviera - Zagreb (03.05.2016 – 11.05.2016), Konstantin Preslavsaky – University of Shumen, Publ. “Faber”, Veliko Tarnovo, 2016, p. 110-116, ISBN 978- 619-00-0477-6
- Specific characteristics of deviant behavior // Annual of Konstantin Preslavsky – University of Shumen, vol. XX, Veliko Tarnovo, Publ. „Faber“, 2016, p. 383-390, ISSN 1314-6769
- Determinant factors in the social service “Foster care” // SocioBrains, Issue 34, June 2017, pp. 78-84, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2017
- Individual and group work forms at art therapy // SocioBrains, Issue 40, December 2017, pp. 174-178, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2017
- Legal regulation of the problem with disadvantaged kids and deinstitutionalization // SocioBrains, Issue 49, September 2018, pp. 33-46, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2018
- Institutional children through the prism of the microsociological paradigm and the concept of social distance // Annual of Konstantin Preslavsky – University of Shumen, vol. XXII, Veliko Tarnovo, Publ. „Faber“, 2018, p. 283-290, ISSN 1314-6769
- Alternatives to social services for children // Collection of scientific works of the traveling seminar Istanbul-Kusadasi-Izmir (30.04.2019 – 07.05.2019), Konstantin Preslavsky – University of Shumen Faculty of Education, Publ. „Faber“, Veliko Tarnovo, 2019 p. 139-149, ISBN 978-619-00-0996-2
- Research work with the students. Brainstorming as a method for solving problems in the social sphere. // SocioBrains, Issue 57, May 2019, pp. 59-63, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2019
- Application of the ringing method in forecasting in the social sphere // SocioBrains, Issue 57, May 2019, pp. 64-68, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2019
- Social change and historical activity // SocioBrains, Issue 57, May 2019, pp. 69-76, ISSN 2367-5721 (online), www.sociobrain.com, Publ.: Smart Ideas – Wise Decisions, Ltd., Bulgaria, 2019
- Essential characteristics of a social organization // Annual of Konstantin Preslavsky – University of Shumen, vol. XXIIID, 35 years of Faculty of Education, Veliko Tarnovo, Publ. „Faber“, 2019, p. 384-393, ISSN 1314-6769

5.4. Published university textbook or textbook used in the school network

- Zhechev, Zh. Жечев, Ж. Art therapy. Motivation for social activity of children through art, Shumen, Univeristy Publishing House “Konstantin Preslavsky”, 2020, 281 p., ISBN 978-619- 201-424-7

5.5. Published university handbook or handbook used in the school network

- Organization and management of social activities in Bulgaria, Shumen, Univeristy Publishing House “Konstantin Preslavsky” 2020, 111 p., ISBN 978-619- 201-435-3

6. Meeting the Minimum National Requirements under LDASRB

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhivko Velichkov Zhechev fully satisfies the required minimum scientometric indicators in the professional field 3.4. Social activities. Of the required 550 points, the applicant applies 600 as follows:

According to indicator A - Dissertation work for awarding the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" - at the required 50 points, the candidate satisfies 50 points.

By indicator B - Habilitation work - monograph - with 100 points required, satisfied - 100 points.

By group of indicators D - with a required 200 points, the candidate presents a total of 220 points, which are completely satisfactory.

By group of indicators E - presents a total of 130 points.

And by group of indicators E - a total of 100 points are presented.

I have no questions to Assoc. Prof. Zhechev, I have only a recommendation to direct publishing activity in scientific publications, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases , which will be of great benefit not only for Shumen University, but for all students majoring in Social Work students from Bulgaria.

I give POSITIVE assessment of Assoc. Prof. Zhivko Velichkov Zhechev for to occupy the academic position Professor in the area of higher education 3. Social, Economic and Legal Studies, scientific field 3.4 Social activities (Art therapy and socialisation) and I recommend to the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Education at the Konstantin Preslavsky - University of Shumen to award the academic position "Professor".

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