

OPINION

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8.2 Fine art based on the materials submitted for participation in a competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" at the New Bulgarian University, Sofia by field of higher education 8. Arts, professional direction

8.2 Fine art (interior and product design)

In the competition for "**Associate professor**", announced in SG No.

87/17.10.2023, with only one candidate

Chief Assistant Professor Svetoslav Todorov Anev, PhD, NBU

I. Assessment of compliance with the minimum national requirements and the requirements of the New Bulgarian University

Those presented by Ch. assistant professor Dr. Svetoslav Anev, materials for the competition, as well as his research, creative and academic-educational activity, meet the mandatory and specific conditions and scientometric criteria for the occupation of the academic position "associate professor", according to the requirements of ZRASRB, the Regulations for the application and the requirements of the NBU.

II. Research (creative) activity and results

The candidate for the competition for the academic position "associate professor", chief assistant professor Dr. Svetoslav Todorov Anev obtained a master's degree in the "Spatial Design" program of the New Bulgarian University

in 2010. In 2014, he successfully defended his dissertation on the topic "Development of product design in modern residential interior - seating furniture" in NBU for awarding the educational and scientific degree "doctor".

In the competition for "associate professor" in interior and product design chief assistant professor Dr. Svetoslav Anev participated in a habilitation thesis - "Design of a furniture group and a series of lighting fixtures", which includes the design and implementation of a multifunctional furniture group intended for a work area in a residential space. In its second part, the work presents an author's design development of a series of lighting fixtures, designed and executed in the period 2015 - 2018.

The furniture group is designed according to specific parameters of a real space. The relevance of the topic is related to one of the modern trends in the use of residential space - the creation of a home office. The lighting fixtures were made as prototypes in order to participate in the international specialized exhibitions "Technomebel" and "The World of Furniture" in Inter Expo Center - Sofia, in which the New Bulgarian University and the "Interior Design" program are presented every year to a national and international audience.

Dr. Svetoslav Anev also presents creative performances and participation in exhibitions dedicated to product design, as well as works from the field of fine art. He is the author of six design publications. He is a member of the Association of Interior Designers in Bulgaria (AIDB).

The list of presented research and creative performances of the candidate comprehensively covers his creative activity, participation in seminars and lectures; organizing and participating in projects and workshops. Six candidate citations are available.

III. Learning and teaching activity

Chief Assistant Professor Dr. Svetoslav Anev participated in the creation of the MP "Product Design for Interior". Participates in updating BP "Interior Design". Creates and directs the courses: INTB110 Design Fundamentals in Interior Design – Part I, INTB111 Design Fundamentals in Interior Design – Part II, INTB030 Furniture Design – Part I, INTB032 Furniture Design – Part II, INTB036 Plastic Modeling in a Digital Environment, INTB610 Figurative Drawing Techniques in Design, ARPM207 Design for People with Disabilities, ARPM003 Design Methodology. For these courses, he develops author's learning materials in Moodle. His average grade from work with students is 4.34. Organizes traveling seminars abroad; supervises 28 graduates who have successfully defended their diplomas; participates in committees for diploma defenses and state exams; participated in a training program for the administrative and teaching staff in German, organized by the NBU.

IV. Administrative and public activity

Ch. Assistant Professor Dr. Svetoslav Anev was a program consultant of the "Design" department for the BP "Interior Design" and MP "Spatial Design" programs in the period March - September 2022; academic coordinator for the "Erasmus+" program for the "Design" department, NBU in the period 2020 - 2022; participates in the meetings of the departmental council and in Open Days at the NBU; in the committees and meetings of the NBU Library Council.

Conclusion

In conclusion, I express my positive opinion about the contributions in creativity and scientific research activity of Chief assistant professor Dr. Svetoslav

Anev, as well as for his teaching activities, which correspond to the field and professional direction of the announced competition. I recommend the esteemed members of the scientific jury to unanimously support and vote positively for the selection of Chief Assistant Professor Dr. Svetoslav Todorov Anev in the academic position of "Associate professor" in professional field 8.2. Fine Art (Interior and Product Design)

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