



Vilma Žydžiūnaitė – visiting professor in the Doctoral School



PhD, Full Professor, Director of the Educational research Institute at Vytautas Magnus University (VMU), pioneer of academic publicity of qualitative research methodology LT, International Summer School in issues of Grounded theory and qualitative research in LT. Having obtained 2 MA degrees - in education (VMU, Kaunas, Lithuania) and nursing (Blekinge Institute of Technology, Sweden) and 2 Dr. degrees – in education (Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania) and nursing (University of Tampere, Finland). Head of the School of Social Research.

She has conducted over 160 original methodological seminars for researchers, doctoral students, pedagogues, nurses nationally and internationally. Publications 162 scientific articles, 47 theses in international and national scientific publications, 9 monographs, 8 scientific studies, 2 textbooks for higher education, 19 methodological publications. Read over 175 presentations at international and national research practical conferences. Worked in 32 projects. Supervised 20 successfully defended doctoral theses (in the role of scientific supervisor or scientific consultant), 55 master's and 60 bachelor's theses. Having defended 15 dissertations, participated in 31 dissertation defense councils.

She has won awards for the highest level of scientific production, the best scientific reports at scientific events abroad, the Nurse's Badge of Honor for her services to nursing. Represented LT in the European Nurse Research Group (WENR) in 1996-2011.

The directions of professor's scientific research are as follows educational management and leadership, higher education, professional identity, professional philosophy and values, qualitative research methodology, conjunction between political literacy and teacher leadership.

