VIA University College ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020

This is an extract from the Annual Report of VIA University College for 2020 approved by the Board of Directors on 24 March 2021



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College details

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Object of the College

According to its Statutes, the object of VIA University College is to provide and develop higher education as well as supplementary and continuing education which will at an international professional level meet the demand for qualified manpower in the private as well as the public sector. VIA University College is to meet the demand for the provision of professional bachelor programmes as well as related supplementary and higher education in Region Midtjylland. Moreover, VIA University College is to deliver research and development work and operate the Center for Educational Services (Center for Undervisningsmidler). VIA also undertakes technical and vocational school activities within the sphere of responsibility of the Danish Ministry of Education.



College details

Bankers

Danske Bank Jægergårdsgade 101 B DK-8000 Aarhus

Auditors

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Institutional auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers Statsautoriseret Revisionspartnerselskab Nobelparken Jens Chr. Skous Vej 1 DK-8000 Aarhus C



Income statement

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		2020	2019
	Note	DKK	DKK
Government subsidies	1	1,319,391,194	1,302,217,989
Student fees and other income	2	367,402,962	412,380,804
Total revenue	_	1,686,794,156	1,714,598,793
Educational implementation	3	-940,878,688	-953,925,663
Marketing	4	-12,196,436	-14,690,784
Management and administration	5	-180,366,033	-186,033,573
Administrative cooperation, host institution	6	-22,724,994	-23,445,788
Building operation	7	-185,764,984	-192,676,823
Activities with special subsidies	8	-144,803,244	-146,382,357
Research and development activities	9	-136,010,007	-119,735,237
Costdepartment	10	-2,689,700	-1,187,381
Total costs	_	-1,625,434,086	-1,638,077,607
Profit before financial income/expenses and extraordinary items		61,360,069	76,521,186
Financial income	11	66,507	8,213
	12	-30,038,382	,
Financial expenses Total net financials	12		-35,885,133
		-29,971,875	-35,876,920
Profit for the year		31,388,194	40,644,266



Balance sheet

		2020	2019
Assets	Note	DKK	DKK
Acquired concessions	13	0	8,000,000
Total intangible assets		0	8,000,000
Leasehold improvements	13	2,185,205	1,420,067
Land and buildings	13	2,171,226,416	2,183,060,332
Tools and equipment, fixtures and fittings	13	16,443,542	18,913,836
Prepaid and uncompleted fixed assets		542,527,360	368,955,279
Total property, plant and equipment		2,732,382,523	2,572,349,514
Deposits	14	22,572,514	23,199,754
Investments in group enterprises	14	650,417	425,514
Total fixed asset investments		23,222,931	23,625,268
Total fixed assets		2,755,605,454	2,603,974,782
Trade receivables		40,542,415	47,996,900
Other receivables		58,827,303	55,146,499
Prepayments		13,709,055	5,803,146
Receivables		113,078,774	108,946,546
Cash at bank and in hand		191,008,073	50,296,743
Current assets		304,086,848	159,243,289
Total assets		3,059,692,302	2,763,218,071



Balance sheet

Equity and liabilities	Note	2020 DKK	2019 DKK
Equity at 31 December 1990	15	83,274,758	83,274,758
Gifts in the form of chattels granted after 1 January 1991	16	5,078,000	5,078,000
Other equity	17	488,068,071	472,271,671
Total equity		576,420,829	560,624,429
Provision	18	24,371,662	10,551,669
Municipal debt	19	9,708,215	9,708,215
Mortgage debt	20	1,604,236,399	1,549,435,419
Derivative financial instruments	21	73,211,341	73,585,152
Accrued frozen holdiday funds		107,112,384	0
Total long-term debt		1,794,268,339	1,632,728,786
Next year's repayment of long-term debt Debt to banks Salaries and wages payable Holiday pay obligations Accrued frozen holdiday funds Account with the Danish Agency for Higher Education Trade payables Other debt Prepayments Total short-term debt	22	45,547,582 221,424,635 15,557,283 80,909,700 5,736,230 117,565,042 81,109,295 20,732,199 76,049,505 664,631,471	40,148,837 36,779,315 22,165,198 162,716,409 0 84,771,821 95,905,793 34,750,634 82,075,180 559,313,187
Total debts	-	2,483,271,472	2,192,041,974
Total equity and liabilities	-	3,059,692,302	2,763,218,071
Charges and security	23		
Other liabilities Contractual obligations Rental obligations	24		

Leasing obligations for operational leasing Contingent liabilities



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of VIA University College

Independent Auditors Report

Opinion

We have audited the Financial Statements of VIA University College for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2020, which comprise including accounting policies, income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flow, notes and special specifications. The Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with Danish Executive Order No 116 of 19 February 2018 on state accounting, the Financial Administrative Directions issued by the Danish Ministry of Finance as well as Danish Executive Order No 1294 of 12 December 2008 on audit and subsidy control, etc at university colleges for higher education ("state accounting rules").

In our opinion, the Financial Statements are, in all material respects, correct, ie prepared in accordance with the state accounting rules.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark as well as public auditing standards as the audit is performed on the basis of the provisions laid down in Executive Order No 1294 of 12 December 2008 on audit and subsidy control, etc at university colleges for higher education. Our responsibilities under those standards and requirements are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Institution in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Management's responsibilities for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the state accounting rules, and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Financial Statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Institution's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements unless Management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark as well as public auditing standards, cf Executive Order No 1294 of 12 December 2008 on audit and subsidy control, etc at university colleges for higher education. and will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Financial Statements.



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As part of an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark as well as public auditing standards, cf Executive Order No 1294 of 12 December 2008 on audit and subsidy control, etc at university colleges, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the Financial Statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Statement on Management's Review and target reporting

Management is responsible for Management's Review and the target reporting.

Our opinion on the Financial Statements does not cover Management's Review and the target reporting, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion on Management's Review and the target reporting.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Statements, our responsibility is to read Management's Review and the target reporting and, in doing so, consider whether Management's Review and the target reporting are materially inconsistent with the Financial Statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.



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Moreover, it is our responsibility to consider whether Management's Review and the target reporting provide the information required under the state accounting rules.

Based on the work we have performed, in our view, Management's Review and the target reporting are in accordance with the Financial Statements and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the state accounting rules. We did not identify any material misstatement of Management's Review and the target reporting.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement on compliance audit and performance audit

Management is responsible for the transactions comprised by the financial reporting being in accordance with the grants given, legislation and other regulations as well as with agreements concluded and generally accepted practice. Management is also responsible for due financial consideration having been made in the administration of the funds and the operation of the activities comprised by the Financial Statements. In this connection, Management is responsible for establishing systems and processes that support economy, productivity and efficiency.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Statements, it is our responsibility to perform a compliance audit and a performance audit of selected subject matters in accordance with public auditing standards. During our compliance audit, we verify with reasonable assurance for the subject matters selected whether the examined transactions comprised by the financial reporting are in accordance with the relevant provisions relating to the grants given, legislation and other regulations as well as with agreements concluded and generally accepted practice. During our performance audit, we assess with reasonable assurance whether the systems, processes or transactions examined support due financial consideration made in the administration of the funds and the operation of the activities comprised by the Financial Statements.

If, on the basis of the work performed, we conclude that our audit gives rise to material critical comments, we are to report on these in this statement.

We do not have any material critical comments to report in this respect.

Aarhus, 24 March 2021

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