## Reykjavik School of Visual Art Áslaug Thorlacius

## DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

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We refer to the letter from the Reykjavik School of Visual Art dated 9 June 2016, where you apply for accreditation as a private, secondary school.

According to Chapter III of the Upper Secondary School Act no. 92/2008, the Minister of Education, Science and Culture can provide schools other than public upper secondary schools with accreditation to carry out instruction at upper secondary level. Such accreditation provides a confirmation that at the time in which accreditation is granted, the activities of the respective school comply with general conditions of this Act and rules that are issued under this Act. A Regulation on accreditation of private secondary schools, no. 426/2010, entered into effect on 11 May 2010.

The Directorate of Education has assessed the school curriculum and other submitted documents regarding the activities of the Reykjavik School of Visual Art. The documents were examined with reference to the Upper Secondary School Act, the Regulation on accreditation of private secondary schools and the general part of the main curriculum of upper secondary schools. Among the items assessed in particular are the organizational form, the objective of studies and the student target group, the school curriculum (with reference to the operating procedures, organization of studies, admission requirements, the rights and duties of students and other factors), descriptions of study courses, course descriptions, confirmation of financial responsibility and safe operating practices, the education and employment terms of staff and working conditions.

Based on the aforesaid the Directorate of Education hereby grants accreditation to the Reykjavik School of Visual Art, Id. No. 460269-4079, to carry out instruction at upper secondary level for a period of three years, starting on the date of this letter. This accreditation guarantees neither contributions nor any financial obligations on the part of the Treasury. It does not automatically confer upon the School's students any rights to credit facilities from the Icelandic Student Loan Fund. The school is itself responsible for its own commitments and activities.

The accreditation is based on the school curriculum of the Reykjavik School of Visual Art for the school year of 2016-2017, concerning the teaching of study courses with completion 11 - Other upper secondary school courses (fourth level).

The accreditation is provided on the assumption that teaching will take place on the premises of the School at Hringbraut 121, Reykjavík, which have been inspected and

approved by the health surveillance and fire brigade authorities of the Greater Reykjavík Area. It is furthermore provided on the assumption that the activities of the School will take place in accordance with the terms and conditions that are listed below.

According to Article 3 of the Regulation on accreditation of private secondary schools, no. 426/2010, the School shall send an annual report to the Directorate of Education regarding its activities and provide the Directorate with all required information regarding its operation and activities upon request.

School and teachers' meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Articles 9 and 10 of the Upper Secondary School Act.

The School shall at its own initiative inform the Directorate of Education without delay of any changes that may occur to its activities or facilities that are relevant to this accreditation.

By this accreditation it is confirmed that the Reykjavík School of Visual Arts meets the requirements to teach confirmed study courses at fourth skill level.

The School shall display this letter of accreditation along with its curriculum, price list and payment conditions on its website. The Directorate of Education reserves the right to display this letter of accreditation on its website along with the curriculum of the Reykjavík School of Visual Arts.

If the School is no longer in compliance with the conditions of the Upper Secondary School Act no. 92/2008 or instructions issued in accordance with that Act, the Minister may revoke the accreditation.

Respectfully yours,

Arnór Guðmundsson

Director