



University of Warsaw – Education

The University of Warsaw is the largest university in Poland when it comes to the number of students. Each year more than 44 500 undergraduate and graduate students, 3 200 doctoral students and 3 400 postgraduate students are educated here. The overall number of students at the university includes 4 200 international students, half of whom study on long-term programmes. The other group comprises participants in academic exchange programmes such as Erasmus+. Most of our international students come from Ukraine, Belarus, Spain, Germany, Italy, France, China and Turkey.

Study programmes are offered not only at our 21 faculties, but also at interdisciplinary units, and academic and research centres. 3 700 staff, including 820 professors, teach the students. The University of Warsaw provides a wide range of programmes in the humanities, and social, exact and natural sciences. This includes 11 interdisciplinary as well as 3 MBA programmes. 24 programmes of first and second cycle studies are taught in English. Students can choose courses from 2 000 foreign-language courses within the Polish language programmes. The University of Warsaw system of language provision has been distinguished by the European Commission and awarded the European Language Label.

The quality of teaching of all institutions of higher education in Poland is assessed by the Polish Accreditation Committee. The best faculties and programmes of study in the country receive an assessment grade of 'outstanding'. Recently, 8 units and programmes of the University of Warsaw have received such assessment grades.

The University of Warsaw was the first Polish university to begin monitoring the careers of its graduates. The results of this monitoring indicate that over 90% of respondents have found employment within a year of obtaining a degree.

The high quality of teaching is also reflected in the results of various rankings, both nationally and internationally. In Polish rankings, the University of Warsaw regularly ranks first. According to global rankings, UW belongs to the 5% top universities in the world. Authors of the international rankings by subject, such as the QS World University Rankings, the Eduniversal Best Masters and MBA Ranking, and the US News and World Report, select the best 200 programmes from the multitude of programmes available all over the world. More than 20 programmes provided by the University of Warsaw are listed there.

The university works together with many international institutions. It is the most active Polish university in academic exchange programmes like Erasmus+. In cooperation with entities from abroad, UW carries out 8 international didactic projects regarding cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices financed by the EU. It also coordinates one of them – Formative Assessment for Foreign Language Learning & Teaching in Higher Education. Recently, the university, together with Columbia University, formulated a one-year programme of excellence for future teachers. 24 programmes of study enable students to obtain a double degree, recognised in Poland and internationally.