

## UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW

- founded in 1816
- the largest university in Poland and the best research centre in the country
- occupies 1st place in the national rankings of universities
- belongs to the top 3% of universities in the world according to global rankings such as THE\_OS and ARWII
- occupies 3<sup>rd</sup> place among the institutions of South East Europe and 96<sup>th</sup> place worldwide in "Nature" Index 2016 Rising Stars
- awarded the "HR Excellence in Research" title by the European Commission for adopting the principles of the European Charter for Researchers
- belongs to 4EU a European University Alliance



# **POLAND**

Poland is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest country in Europe (population of 38 million people). It is a member of the European Union and the Schengen Area. Whoever enters Poland may freely travel around all member states.

Poland is a member of the European Higher Education Area and the Bologna Process. Polish academies have introduced e.g. the three-cycle framework of higher education qualifications and the European Credit Transfer System.

- **132** public Higher Education Institutions
- 1.3 million students
- **73 000** international long-term students from over 150 countries

WARSAW, POLAND



# **WARSAW**

The University of Warsaw has its seat in the capital of Poland, one of the most dynamically developing cities in Europe. Warsaw is steadily climbing in the international rankings of the world's most attractive urban areas. The city is the political, economic, social and cultural centre of the country, as well as an undisputed leader in Polish higher education and science.

- 1.7 million inhabitants
- **8.3** million tourists per year
- 15 public Higher Education Institutions

## **240 000** students

According to "Nature", Warsaw is the country's main research hub and is becoming a hub for globally competitive science. ("Poland: Into the light", 2017)

In the QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2018, Warsaw received a very high score in the affordability category thanks to its combination of low living costs and reasonable tuition fees.

#### UW - FACTS AND FIGURES

**21** FACULTIES

**30** ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH UNITS

- · Faculty of Applied Linguistics
- Faculty of Applied Social Sciences and Resocialisation
- Faculty of "Artes Liberales"
- Faculty of Biology
- Faculty of Chemistry
- Faculty of Economic Sciences
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies
- Faculty of Geology
- Faculty of History
- Faculty of Journalism, Information and Book Studies
- Faculty of Law and Administration
- Faculty of Management
- Faculty of Mathematics, Informatics and Mechanics
- Faculty of Modern Languages
- · Faculty of Oriental Studies
- · Faculty of Philosophy and Sociology
- Faculty of Physics
- · Faculty of Polish Studies
- Faculty of Political Science and International Studies
- Faculty of Psychology

7 300 employees

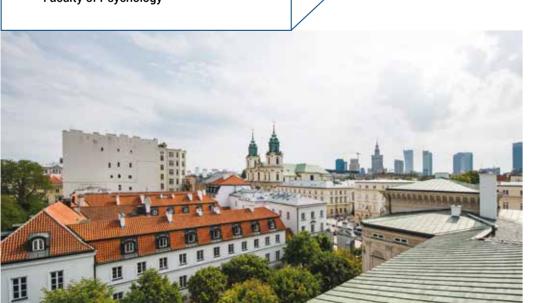
**45 500** students

**3 000** doctoral students

**4 800** international students and doctoral students

10 000 graduates per year

UW research centres are found not only in Poland. The astronomers observe the sky in the Las Campanas Observatory in Chile. The archaeological research centre in Cairo has been in operation since 1959. In 2018, a new archaeological unit in Khartoum has been opened in Sudan.



#### **EDUCATION**

over **100** programmes of 1st, 2nd and long cycle – uniform Master's studies in humanities, social, exact and natural sciences

- 26 English-language programmes
- 29 double degree programmes run by UW and international partners

**35** programmes of doctoral studies

- · individual PhD programmes held in English
- co-tutelle agreements a joint doctoral assessment process that leads to the conferment of a doctoral degree at UW and an equal degree at the foreign partner institution

**145** postgraduate programmes

Open University courses

The University of Warsaw provides education which is a definite asset in the labour market. According to the monitoring of UW graduate careers, 94% of former students find employment within a year of graduation.



#### **26** ENGLISH-LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES

- American studies (1st, 2nd cycle)
- Archaeology (1st, 2nd cycle)
- Chemistry (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- Economics International Economics (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- English Studies (1st, 2nd cycle)
- Environmental Management (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- European Administration (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- European Studies European Integration (1st cycle)
- Finance, Investments and Accounting (1st cycle)
- Humanitarian Action (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- Informatics and Econometrics Data Science (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- International Business Program (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- International Relations (1st, 2nd cycle)
- Internal Security (1st, 2nd cycle)
- Journalism and Information Studies (1st cycle)
- Philosophy (1st cycle)
- Political Science (1st, 2nd cycle)
- Psychology (uniform Master's cycle)
- Quantitative Finance (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)
- Teaching English to Young Learners (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)

# RESEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

**3 800** academic teachers (750 professors)

3 000 doctoral students

**100**-million-euro research budget (1/3 of the university budget)

**3 500** research topics in humanities, social, exact and natural sciences; interdisciplinary studies, including subjects in medical or technical sciences

**1 600** projects financed from national or international research grants

- over **50** Horizon 2020 grants
- 14 European Research Council grants (a wide range of research areas: algorithms, anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, cryptography, cultural studies, linguistics, logic, mathematical physics, sociology)

7 000 publications per year

- **9** spin-off companies set up at UW
- 2 International Research Agenda Units:
- ReMedy (Regenerative Mechanisms for Health) – a joint unit of UW and the University Medical Center Göttingen
- Centre of Quantum Optical Technologies a joint unit of UW and the University of Oxford

**800** international partners

- **420** universities in 73 countries that work with UW under bilateral agreements
- **100** international societies and research networks with UW as a member



JW is the most active Polish iniversity in academic exchange programmes (Erasmus+, Central European Exchange Program or University Studies, Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst programmes, Polish-American Eulbright Commission programmes).

In 2018, the University of Warsaw,
Sorbonne University, Charles University
and Heidelberg University signed
a declaration regarding the formation
of 4EU, a European University Alliance.
The alliance aims to strengthen cooperation in research, education and the mobility of researchers and students.

## DEVELOPMENT

Over the last decade, thanks to EU funding, representatives of the exact and natural sciences have been equipped with laboratories, facilitating research at the highest level.

On the Ochota campus, two interdisciplinary centres have been built: The Centre of New Technologies and the Biological and Chemical Research Centre.

UW is implementing a multiannual development plan (2016-2025) which will enable students and employees of the university to improve their working conditions. It will also strengthen UW potential, internationalisation and cooperation with its surroundings. The plan is financed through the state budget. The subsidy adds up to PLN 1 billion. New research and educational facilities as well as halls of residence will be built and some existing buildings will be modernised.

# Multiannual development plan will allow UW to:

- foster research in the humanities and social sciences
- tighten up international cooperation and conduct ambitious interdisciplinary projects
- encourage international academic exchange
- develop cooperation within the social and economic environment
- create places devoted to the popularisation of science, training and expertise, as well as lifelong-learning centres



The University of Warsaw strengthens its cooperation with the Medical University of Warsaw. Both academies have prepared an offer of interuniversity courses for students and a microgrant programme for researchers who carry out joint research projects.



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