



Comenius University in Bratislava

Short description: Comenius University in Bratislava is the oldest and biggest university in the Slovak Republic. Established in 1919, the University draws on the tradition of Academia Istropolitana that was founded in 1465 in Bratislava by Matthias Corvinus, the King of Hungary. Since its founding the university has ranked among the best educational institutions on the national level and it has become an internationally recognised centre of scientific study and research. Being the most comprehensive provider of classical university education in Slovakia, Comenius University has retained the status of the Slovak National University. Comenius University in Bratislava has 13 faculties and serves 25,000 students each year within all three-degree study programmes, 20,000 of whom are full-time students. Comenius University offers more than 980 diverse study programmes encompassing a broad range of human knowledge – from medicine, humanities and social sciences, to natural sciences, mathematics and theology. Almost 2,500 international students from 70 countries enjoy studying at the oldest university in Slovakia.



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List of faculties:

- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Natural Sciences
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Pharmacy
- Faculty of Physical Education and Sports
- Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin
- Faculty of Mathematics, Physics and Informatics
- Faculty of Roman Catholic Theology of Cyril and Methodius
- Evangelical Lutheran Theological Faculty
- Faculty of Management
- Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences

Scientific research, international relations, projects: Comenius University is an outstanding scientific institution, that continues to rank among the top 2.5 percent of universities in the world based on several independent rankings (URAP, RUR, CWUR, THE WUR *etc.*). In 2016, Comenius University was involved in 784



projects (in various areas with multi-source funding (research and other grants) totalling € 16 million. Faculties' researchers participate in several Horizon 2020 funded projects in area of natural sciences, physics, law, social sciences and humanities. In order to spread innovations and progressive research trends the University established the Comenius University Science Park and the BioMed Martin

– biomedical research centre in 2015. *The Comenius University Science Park* serves as a comprehensive research incubator and technology transfer centre for the university and for private sector entities working in the area of science and technology. It operates in the fields of molecular medicine, environmental medicine and biotechnology. The total expenditure for the project totals almost € 42 million and is being brought to fruition with the help of EU funds. *BioMed Martin* is an elite research centre at the Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin which cooperates with centres of excellence, competence centres and other specialized centres of the faculty with the aim of producing excellent outputs in research and development in the field of molecular medicine, oncology, respirology and neuroscience. Total expenditure on the BioMed Martin project totals more than € 26.3 million and is financed to a significant degree by the EU funds.

- Number of students in 2016/17: **25,110**
- Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2016/17: **2,055**
- Foundation year: **1919**