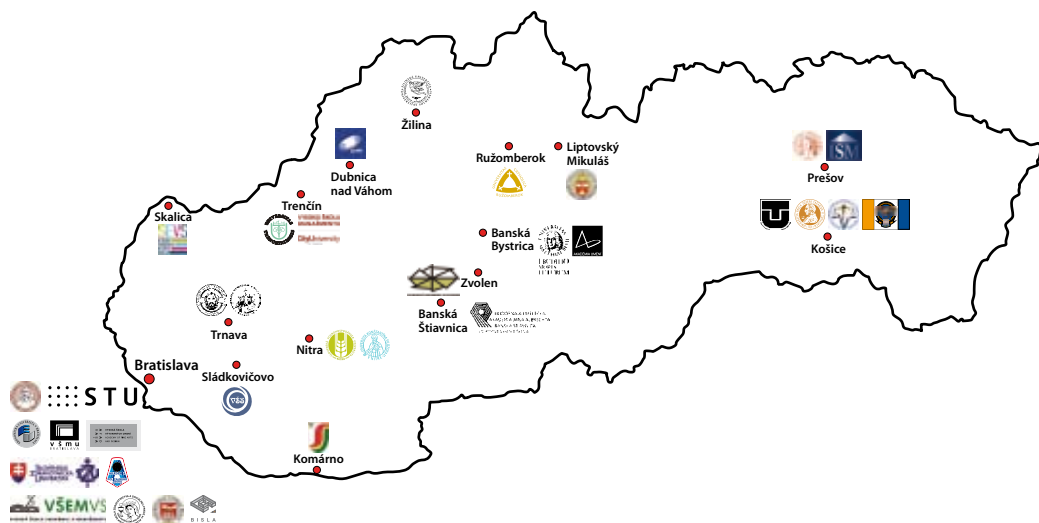


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Dear readers,

the publication “Higher Education in the Slovak Republic 2012/13” was issued to inform the public abroad about the structure and latest developments in the Slovak higher education system. Pursuant to law, higher education institutions are top educational, scientific and artistic institutions in the Slovak Republic. Their mission is to develop and cultivate knowledge, wisdom, goodness and creativity and to contribute to the development of education, science, culture and health for the welfare of the whole society.

Slovak higher education institutions are integral part of the Bologna Process. Since 1999, when the Bologna declaration was signed, higher education institutions started reforms with the objectives: to become full-fledged members of the European Higher Education Area, to offer first-quality education, to perform excellent research and development, to perform services for the sake of society and to establish appropriate environment for students and staff.

Slovakia has a wide range of higher education institutions (public, state and private) that offer comprehensive, technical and other specialized higher education to its citizens and foreigners as well. An increasing number of study programmes offered in foreign languages (especially in English) attract increasing number of students from abroad. Slovak higher education institutions participate in academic mobility programmes such as Erasmus, CEEPUS, and other mobility programmes based on bilateral and multilateral agreements.

With the goal to enhance the quality of academic and managerial activities and to introduce internal processes of quality assurance, a majority of our institutions took part in the Institutional Evaluation Programme of the European University Association via a project coordinated by the Slovak Rectors’ Conference in 2005 – 2007. At present, the Slovak Rectors’ Conference supports implementation

of internal quality assurance processes based on the “Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the Higher Education Area” adopted by the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education and implementation of main principles from the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers.

Slovak higher education institutions are active in the Seventh Framework Programme of the European Union, the Marie Curie Programme and other European and international programmes and networks.



prof. RNDr. Libor Vozár, CSc.
President of the Slovak Rectors' Conference

The Higher Education System in the SR

The general prerequisite for admission to higher education study is a secondary school-completion certificate (“vysvedčenie o maturitnej skúške”) issued after passing the secondary school-completion examination taken upon completing 13 (or exceptionally, 12) years of study.

Higher education institutions administer the admission examination.

Study at higher education institutions

Higher education institutions provide study programmes at three levels:

- 1. The Bachelor's Study Programme:** Takes as little as three years at least and up to four years (architecture, fine arts and design).
- 2. The Master's, Engineer's and Doctor's Study Programmes:** These study programmes take from one year up to four years, so the standard length of study for the bachelor's study programme and the continuing programme of the second level in the same or related field of study totals five years at least. It may also be carried out as a continuous study connecting the first and second levels of higher education. In this case, the standard length of study is four years at least and six years at most.
- 3. The PhD Study Programme:** The standard length for full-time students is three years at least and four years at most, or for part-time students five years.

Higher education institutions award the following academic degrees:

1st level

- “bakalár” (Bc.)

2nd level

- “magister” (Mgr.), in the field of art “magister umenia” (Mgr. art.)
- “inžinier” (Ing.) in technical, agricultural and economic fields of engineer's programmes and in the field of architecture and town-planning the academic degree of “inžinier architekt” (Ing. arch.)
- “doktor všeobecného lekárstva” (MUDr.) in the field of general human medicine
- “doktor zubného lekárstva” (MDDr.) in the field of dental medicine
- “doktor veterinárskeho lekárstva” (MVDr.) in the field of veterinary medicine

3rd level

- “doktor” - “philosophiae doctor” (PhD.)
- “doktor umenia” - “artis doctor” (ArtD.)
- “licenciát (Catholic) teológie” (ThLic.)
- “doktor (Catholic) teológie” (ThDr.)

Examina rigorosa

The holders of the academic degree of magister may take the *examina rigorosa*, which includes the defence of a rigorosa thesis. After its successful completion, the higher education institutions award the following academic degrees:

- doktor prírodných vied (RNDr.) in natural science study programmes
- doktor farmácie (PharmDr.) in pharmacy study programmes
- doktor filozofie (PhDr.) in social science and art science study programmes
- doktor práv (JUDr.) in law study programmes
- doktor pedagogiky (PaedDr.) in teacher training and sports study programmes
- doktor teológie (ThDr.) in theological study programmes except for the study programmes in the field of Catholic Theology.

Credit system (since academic year 2002/2003)

The standard load of a student in the entire academic year is expressed by 60 credits, for a semester 30 credits and for a trimester 20 credits.

The grading is on a scale of A-FX:

- **A** (excellent) = 1 (able achievements)
- **B** (very good) = 1.5 (above-average achievements)
- **C** (good) = 2 (average achievements)
- **D** (laudable) = 2.5 (acceptable achievements)
- **E** (satisfactory) = 3 (achievements fulfil only the minimum criteria)
- **FX** (unsatisfactory) = 4 (achievements do not fulfil even the minimum criteria)

The higher education institution or faculty, if the study programme is carried out at the faculty, may in selected subjects decide not to assess students by marks but to set instead other criteria for their successful completion as a condition for accumulation of credits.

For assessment of overall study achievements of a student in a determined period, a weighted study mean is used. It is calculated in such a way that in the assessment period the products of number of the credits and numerical assessment are summed up for all subjects ascribed to students and the result is divided by total number of credits achieved by the student during the given period. For subjects that the student enlisted for and did not complete, mark 4 is added up to the weighted mean. The subjects that are not evaluated by a mark are not included in calculation of the weighted study mean.

The academic year starts on September 1 of the current year and ends on August 31 of the following year. It is composed of two semesters (winter and summer) or three trimesters. The organisation of the academic year is set by the faculty or the higher education institution, if the higher education institution is not divided into faculties.

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The Slovak Rectors' Conference (SRC) is one of three bodies representing higher education institutions in Slovakia pursuant to law no. 131/2002 Coll. on higher education.

The aim of the SRC is to coordinate and promote rectors' activities at Slovak higher education institutions in order to create common higher education policy. To meet the above goal, the SRC coordinates and promotes cooperation between rectors; discusses and formulates opinions on substantive issues related to higher education policy, and proposals of generally binding legal norms that are directly affecting academic life or applicable legal standards with the above focus; creates conditions for cooperation between universities in Slovakia and for mutual flow of information among them; and establishes and maintains contacts with national rectors' conferences in other countries as well as with the European University Association.

The SRC members are rectors of public, state and private Slovak higher education institutions. The present list of members is available at www.srk.sk. The SRC is represented by the President, who acts in its name. Presidium is an executive body that manages activities between the SRC meetings. The President and Presidium account to the SRC.

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Dr. h. c. prof. Ing. Rudolf Sivák, PhD.



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Short description:

Comenius University in Bratislava (CU) as a public university is the oldest and biggest university in the Slovak Republic. CU comprises 13 faculties offering a wide range of several hundreds of study programmes. Studying at CU is also popular with international students – more than 1,900 students from almost 80 countries all over the world study at CU. The university is also an outstanding scientific institution.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Philosophy
- 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 and international relations projects:

Scientific research at CU includes 62 projects co-financed by the EU Structural Funds, 21 projects from the FP7 EC scheme, and 82 faculty and CU international cooperation projects with 24 countries. There are eight centres of research excellence, seven cooperating centres of research excellence and two competence research centres.

CU has bilateral university agreements with 56 partner universities from all over the world and more than 600 LLP/Erasmus bilateral agreements with European universities. Erasmus mobility is increasing gradually year by year. Total mobility of students, teachers and staff (in and out) in academic year 2011/2012 was more than 1,070. CU is an active member of the European University Association (EUA), the Danube Rector's Conference (DRC), the Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe (UNICA), the Utrecht Network (UN) and many others.

Number of students in 2012/13: 27,340

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 2,137

Foundation year: 1919





STU Slovenská technická univerzita v Bratislave Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava

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Short description:

The Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava (STU) is a public university and the largest technical university in Slovakia, providing university education in different technical disciplines. The STU offers 187 accredited study programmes based on the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) within three study degrees: 52 bachelor's, 65 engineer's and 70 doctorate (Ph.D.) study programmes. Education is based on the scientific research, artistic, engineering and other creative activities. Its academic staff cooperates with industrial companies, social organizations and participates in international cooperation.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

- Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
- Faculty of Chemical and Food Technology
- Faculty of Architecture
- Faculty of Informatics and Information Technologies
- Faculty of Material Sciences and Technology in Trnava

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

Scientific research is represented by 73 international (COST, 7FP, INTERREG, bilateral cooperation) and 430 national (VEGA, APVV, ŠF EÚ) research projects carried out in the cooperation with foreign or national partners.

International relations are supported by 89 university agreements and 274 Erasmus bilateral agreements, university memberships in EUA, SEFI, REHVA, FEMS, and IGIP and by the organization of many international events like "Building and Environment" or "Virtual University".

Number of students in 2012/13: 17,080

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 1,333

Foundation year: 1937





Ekonická univerzita v Bratislave **University of Economics in Bratislava**

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Short description:

The University of Economics in Bratislava (UEBA) is a public university focusing on economics, business and management. It provides higher education in 66 bachelor's, master's and doctorate programmes for full-time and part-time students. All students have the opportunity to study economics and business related programmes comparable with the best European standards, several of which can also be studied in English, German, French, Spanish, Russian and Italian. On the basis of the complex accreditation process (2008 – 2009), the UEBA was classified by the Slovak Accreditation Commission as the "university" type of higher education institution, which means that it belongs to the highest category of higher education institutions in Slovakia.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of National Economy
- Faculty of Business Informatics
- Faculty of International Relations
- Faculty of Business Economics in Košice
- Faculty of Commerce
- Faculty of Business Management
- Faculty of Applied Languages

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The UEBA is the largest university-type centre of basic and applied research in economics, management and business studies in Slovakia. The UEBA cooperates with its international partners mainly on the basis of Erasmus agreements (230 agreements with universities in 30 countries) and other forms of cooperation. The UEBA is a member of various international organizations such as the European University Association, the International Association of Universities, the European Foundation for Management Development, the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, and the European Doctoral Programmes Association in Management and Business Administration. The UEBA has joined the UNO's Global Compact initiative and it is among the signatories of the Magna Charta Universitatum.

Number of students in 2012/13: 10,632

Number of academic staff with a scientific degree 2012/13: 551

Foundation year: 1940





Vysoká škola múzických umení v Bratislave Academy of Performing Arts in Bratislava

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Short description:

The Academy of Performing Arts in Bratislava (VŠMU) is a public university. It is the highest accredited educational, artistic, scientific and research institution in the fields of theatre, puppetry, music, dance and film in Slovakia. The school trains creative people for theatre and music stages, film and media (television, radio). It educates high quality teachers, theoreticians and critics of arts. The academy offers 32 accredited study programmes in three levels (ArtD., Mgr. art and Bc.).

List of faculties:

- Music and Dance Faculty
- Theatre Faculty
- Film and Television Faculty

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Research of theatre, film and music arts is practiced in all three respective faculties in two forms: theoretical and practical. In 2008, the academy established the Centre of Arts and Research, which coordinates research and publishing activities.

The VŠMU has bilateral agreements on mutual cooperation with around 60 institutions within the EU, which enable the students and teaching staff exchange within the framework of the Erasmus programme. The academy is a member of a number of associations including ELIA, ESTA, AEC, AITU, ENCATC, CILECT, FIRT, AICT, TECOM ITI and UNIMA. The faculties organise international festivals such as "Projekt Istropolita," "Áčko" and Orfeus.

Number of students in 2012/13: 1,069

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 145

Foundation year: 1949





participation on large international events (Neu/Now ELIA Biennale du Design Saint-Etienne, Milano Design Week, ESSL AWARD). The VŠVU is also a member of Cumulus (network of designer schools) and ELIA and ENCORE organizations. At present the VŠVU runs project digitisation of technological processes in the design supported by EU.

Number of students in 2012/13: 667

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 102

Foundation year: 1949



Vysoká škola výtvarných umení v Bratislave Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava

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Short description:

The Academy of Fine Arts and Design (VŠVU) is a public university. Its students' and faculties' work has been successfully presented not only in Slovakia, but also abroad. The VŠVU is a fully accredited university within the Slovak education system providing complex bachelor's and master's study programs in the fields of fine arts, design, architecture and restoration. In addition, offered doctoral study programmes include the history and theory of fine arts and architecture. Educational activities are based on current thinking in the arts and sciences and knowledge of technical support across a wide range of artistic activities.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The VŠVU is fully integrated in the international environment, which is demonstrated by students' mobility (Erasmus, CEEPUS), as well as





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Short description:

The Trnava University in Trnava is a public university. It provides education in the fields of arts and sciences, law, pedagogy, social care, public health and religion at undergraduate and postgraduate levels with a focus on quality. The university promotes cooperation and competition between the disciplines. It aims to establish itself as one of the leading academic institutions in the Slovak Republic.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Philosophy
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Health Care and Social Work
- Faculty of Theology
- Faculty of Law

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The Trnava university in Trnava is active in many international projects such as „Large scale dissemination of inquiry based science and mathematics education“, AGAVE, CABIS-IDA, IARQ-Roma, SRAP, Human rights: Values and the Public Life, EUROPLAT.

The university signed more than 50 agreements on international cooperation with the goal to develop pedagogical, research and cultural relationships, and 85 LLP/Erasmus bilateral agreements. The university is a member of EUA, DRC, EAEC, Magna Charta Universitatum and others.

Number of students in 2012/13: 6,547

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 287

Foundation year: 1992





Univerzita sv. Cyrila a Metoda v Trnave University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava

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Short description:

The University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius (UCM) is a public university. The UCM provides education in bachelor's, master's and doctoral study programmes in different fields of humanities and social sciences, physiotherapy and teaching, as well as in chemistry and biotechnology. As the UCM graduates are provided with solid fundamentals for practice, the university has been ranked among most successful in terms of graduates' adaptation in the labour market over the past years. The UCM is a dynamic and prospective educational institution with interesting and modern study programmes, therefore studying at the UCM is an opportunity for students' development in the whole range of academic, social and cultural dimensions.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Mass Media Communications
- Faculty of Natural Sciences
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Social Sciences

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

The University has been involved in twelve VEGA and six KEGA projects, two projects in applied research and four projects of the Agency for support of research and development. Furthermore, the UCM participates in 5 EU projects, three of them are funded by the European Social Fund in the Operational Programmes of Education and two of them are supported by the European Fund of Regional Development. There are also three international scientific research projects due 1 January 2011 and eleven grants covered by the town Trnava at the UCM. Last but not least, there are two UCM projects carried out within Central European Exchange Programme for University Studies in the CEEPUS Program.

Number of students in 2012/13: 5,954

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 262

Foundation year: 1997





Univerzita Konštantína Filozofa v Nitre Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra

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Short description:

The Constantine the Philosopher University (UKF) is a public university offering study programmes in human and social sciences, natural sciences, education, arts and health care. The UKF offers 30 accredited PhD. study programmes. Their quality is guaranteed by research and artistic creative activities that meet national and international criteria. Work for the benefit of education, culture, economy and development in the region is an important pillar of the UKF's activities.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Central European Studies
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Natural Sciences

- Faculty of Social Sciences and Health Care

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Currently, the most important research and mobility projects at the UKF are PRIMAS – Promoting Inquiry in Mathematics and Science Education across Europe supported by EU FP 7 and MANECA: Mobility Academic Network between the EU and Central Asia financed by Erasmus Mundus Programme. The UKF has 48 bilateral cooperation agreements and 170 LLP/Erasmus bilateral agreements of international cooperation. The UKF is a member of the European University Association, the Magna Charta Universitatum and the Danube Rector's Conference.

Number of students in 2012/13: 11,379

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 565

Foundation year: 1959





Slovenská poľnohospodárska univerzita v Nitre Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra

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Short description:

The Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra (SPU) is a public university that has been preparing specialists across the agrarian – food sector for 60 years. Based on the results of the successful complex accreditation in 2009, it is a higher education institution of university type that was awarded an ECTS label as a mark of quality in the field of international cooperation and mobility. There are 88 accredited study programmes, four of them in English, at the university.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Agrobiolgy and Food Resources
- Faculty of Biotechnology and Food Sciences
- Faculty of Economics and Management
- Faculty of European Studies and Regional Development

- Faculty of Horticulture and Landscape Engineering
- Faculty of Engineering

Scientific research and international relations projects:

In the field of scientific research, the SPU is involved in four projects under the 7th EU Framework programme, four projects on building networks of excellence centres of development and research and two projects in order to promote knowledge and technology from research and development into practice, supported by EU Structural funds.

The university has 136 bilateral agreements under the Erasmus Programme and over 50 inter-university cooperation agreements worldwide. The SPU is a member of the Global Consortium for Higher Education in Agriculture, the European University Association, the Danube Rector's Conference, the Association for European Life Science Universities and is a founding member of the Visegrad University Association.

Number of students in 2012/13: 9,589

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 411

Foundation year: 1952





Trenčianska univerzita Alexandra Dubčeka v Trenčíne Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín

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Short description:

The Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín (TnUAD) is a public university offering 52 accredited study programmes (Bc., Ing., PhD.) in engineering, social sciences and humanities, natural sciences, design and health care. The quality of education is supported by creative and research activities that meet national and international criteria. The basic target of the TnUAD activities is to benefit the economy, education and development in the region.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Social and Economic Relations
- Faculty of Special Technologies
- Faculty of Industrial Technologies
- Faculty of Health Care

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

Presently, the most important research and mobility projects at the TnUAD are Progres3 (Cross Border Cooperation between Poland, the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic), the Erasmus programme (55 bilateral cooperation agreements) and bilateral agreements with the Tomsk Polytechnic Institute (Russia) and the Izhevsk State Technical University (Russia).

The Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín is a member of the European University Association, the Magna Charta Universitatum and the Danube Rector's Conference.

Number of students in 2012/13: 3,801

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 170

Foundation year: 1997





Žilinská univerzita v Žiline University of Žilina

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Short description:

The University of Žilina is a public university providing education on all three levels of higher education. So far, it has had nearly 60,000 graduates including 1,800 from abroad. There are currently about 12,000 students in all forms of study. It is traditionally oriented towards education of specialists for transport and communications: technologies, economics, management, operation, construction, maintenance, electronics, information and communication technologies and related sciences. Recently, the profile has been enlarged by the possibility to study pedagogy, high mountains' biology and natural sciences.

List of faculties and educational institutes:

- Faculty of Operation and Economics of Transport and Communications
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

- Faculty of Electrical Engineering
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Management Science and Informatics
- Faculty of Special Engineering
- Faculty of Humanities

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

The research staff has participated in more than 200 research projects at the national and international level, currently, it is involved in 21 international research projects, mainly within the EU Framework programme. Six Centres of Excellence, four Centres of Competitiveness and three Centres of Applied Research have been established with the support of European Structural Funds.

The university is participating in numerous international educational and scientific programmes (e.g. LLP/Erasmus, Grundtvig, Comenius, Tempus, COST, CEEPUS). It belongs to the most active ones in the LLP/Erasmus students and teachers mobility programme.

Number of students in 2012/13: 11,455

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 653

Foundation year: 1953





Univerzita Mateja Bela v Banskej Bystrici Matej Bel University Banská Bystrica

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Short description:

The Matej Bel University Banská Bystrica (UMB) is a public university oriented to human, social and natural sciences. The university offers 304 accredited study programmes (124 bachelor's degree programmes, 128 master's degree programmes and 52 doctorate degree programmes). It also offers many joint study programmes in cooperation with other universities worldwide. The UMB is providing both high-quality university education as well as productive scientific and artistic research.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Humanities
- Faculty of Political Sciences and International Relations
- Faculty of Natural Sciences

- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Law

Scientific research and international relations projects:

With more than 600 academics and 400 doctoral candidates involved in research across six faculties and five research institutes, the UMB has achieved excellent results in several research areas, especially mathematics, physics, economics, political sciences, social anthropology and pedagogy. Researchers in these areas have been active in a number of 7th Framework Programme projects (such as Sustainable Development in a Diverse World, Dynamic Systems in Low Dimensions, Gender Debate in the ERA) and other international projects. The UMB is a member of the European University Association and has bilateral collaboration with 36 universities worldwide.

Number of students in 2012/2013: 11,739

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/2013: 535

Foundation year: 1992





Akadémia umení v Banskej Bystrici Academy of Arts in Banská Bystrica

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Short description:

The Academy of Arts in Banská Bystrica (AU BB) is a public university offering study programmes to prepare future artists in music, visual, theatre and film arts. The AU BB offers 23 accredited study programmes in all three levels: Bc. (Bachelor), Mgr. art (Master of Arts) and ArtD. (Artis Doctor). All educational activities are focused on talent and creativity in art performance, artistic reflection and on development of the aesthetic and humanistic principles. The AU BB graduates work as actors, film makers, screenwriters, dramaturges, stage directors, music composers, musicians, opera and concert singers, conductors, visual artists and art theoreticians.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Dramatic Arts

- Faculty of Music Arts
- Faculty of Fine Arts

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The AU BB is an institution with a broad network of domestic and international partners. It has 49 bilateral agreements with higher education institutions in Europe. Approximately 9 % of all students spend from 3 to 10 months each year abroad, extending and developing their artistic abilities and knowledge. The AU BB conducts research in the field of a contemporary art and regularly presents its outcomes in international conferences and artistic events. The AU BB organizes events such as Artorium, Figurama, Digi VaF(ex), international teatrology conference, Days of Tadeáš Salva and international piano competition Forum Per Tasti. The AU BB implements more than 27 projects per year and its teachers produce more than 70 publications and 1070 artistic outputs per year. Our project partners usually come from Finland, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Spain, Slovenia, Serbia and Ukraine.

Number of students in 2012/13: 586

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 62

Foundation year: 1997





Technická univerzita vo Zvolene
Technical University in Zvolen

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Rector: prof. Ing. Rudolf Kropil, CSc.

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Short description:

The Technical University in Zvolen is a public university with an exceptional position in the Slovak Republic. It focuses on scientific, educational, research and development activities connected closely with socially important fields of forestry, wood sciences and technology, ecology, environmental sciences and related fields of science. The university runs accredited bachelor's, master's and doctorate degree study programmes and certified LLL programmes. The university has applied a credit system compatible with the ECTS and enables completion of subjects, projects and practice at different colleges, universities or research workplaces in Slovakia or abroad.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Forestry

- Faculty of Wood Sciences and Technology
- Faculty of Ecology and Environmental Sciences
- Faculty of Environmental and Manufacturing Technology

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

Science and research at the university focus on the forest, wood products, ecology and the environment, manufacturing and environmental technology, and renewable sources of energy. Individual workplaces solve tasks of basic and applied research mainly within VEGA and KEGA grant projects. The university is intensively engaged in international scientific projects, mostly the EU Framework Programmes, APVV and COST scheme. International cooperation includes participation in international structures as well as bilateral agreements. The university is a member of the European University Association and many other significant specialist supranational organizations and associations. It becomes actively involved in UNESCO, FAO, UNIDO and the World Bank activities. The university is involved in EU international activities in the field of education mainly through LLP programmes such as Erasmus, Grundtvig and Tempus.

Number of students in 2012/13: 4,497

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 240

Foundation year: 1952





Univerzita J. Selyeho v Komárne J. Selye University in Komárno

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Rector: doc. RNDr. János Tóth, PhD.

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Short description:

The J. Selye University (UJS) is a public university offering study programmes in human and social sciences, natural sciences, education and religious services. The bachelor's programme offers 15 accredited study programmes, free combination of the subjects allows 12 accredited studies. The master's programme offers 12 accredited study programmes, and free combination of the subjects allows 8 accredited studies. The Ph.D. programme offers two accredited study programmes. The aim of the university is to cope with the challenges of the 21st century and to consolidate scientific research activities as it strives to become a competitive institution of international study.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Education

- Faculty of Economics
- Reformed Theological Faculty

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The UJS staff's research activities mainly focus on scientific fields related to accredited programmes. This research involves combining theory with practice, and is focused primarily on current issues of society and science. Scientific research projects are designed as a part of international projects supported by the European organization or the national Scientific and the Educational Grant Agency (VEGA) and the Cultural and Educational Grant Agency (KEGA). The J. Selye University has bilateral agreements with more than 40 universities.

The university is active in the Erasmus Programme and two CEEPUS networks: HU 19 and SK 405.

Number of students in 2012/13: 2,062

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 84

Foundation year: 2004





Katolícka univerzita v Ružomberku Catholic University in Ružomberok

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Rector: prof. Tadeusz Zasepa, PhD.

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Short description:

The Catholic University in Ružomberok (KU) is a public university with a religious character. The university focuses on the humanities, history, pedagogy and social and health sciences as well as in the areas of arts, economics, management and law. It offers bachelor's, master's and postgraduate study programmes. The KU forms the mind and the heart in the sense of the Catholic moral, intellectual and academic tradition. The KU also offers university education and carries out research leading to the integral development of individuals and society.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Arts and Letters
- Faculty of Theology

- Faculty of Health Care

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The Catholic University participates in domestic and international scientific projects and grants supported by national and international scientific agencies and funds from the EU. Scientific projects and grants, publishing activities and university staff awards testify to the high level of scientific activities of the university.

The Catholic University in Ružomberok is a member of the International Federation of Catholic Universities and Fédération des Universités Catholiques Européenne.

Number of students in 2012/13: 7,037

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 426

Foundation year: 2000





Prešovská univerzita v Prešove University of Prešov

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Short description:

The University of Prešov is a public university that provides the highest standards of academic education to both Slovak and foreign students across a wide range of studies in the fields of humanities, natural, theological, and managerial sciences, health and sports. It offers accredited study programmes in bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees. It is the only public university in the Prešov self-governing region.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Arts
- Greek-Catholic Theological Faculty
- Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences
- Faculty of Management
- Faculty of Education

- Orthodox Theological Faculty
- Faculty of Sports
- Faculty of Health Care

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Research at the University of Prešov is mainly in the areas of social sciences, natural sciences, theological sciences, physical education and sport, management, fine arts and health care. At present, the university is involved in the 6th EU Framework Programme focused on renewable energy resources. The university has submitted projects in various fields concerning ecology, geography and linguistics. Its research focus is further oriented towards the bio-technological cluster in the Eastern Slovakia, and bio-medical research and its application. The university is in the process of establishing centres of excellence in research.

The University of Prešov is participating in the EU education and training programmes such as Erasmus, Leonardo da Vinci, Comenius, Grundtvig and CEEPUS.

Number of students in 2012/2013: 10,059

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/2013: 509

Foundation year: 1997





Technická univerzita v Košiciach
Technical University of Košice

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Short description:

The Technical University of Košice (TUKE) is a public university technically oriented in the field of engineering, economics and arts. It provides higher education in all three levels of higher education within 82 bachelor's, 74 master's and 57 doctorate programmes with awarding an accredited university degree. For 60 years of its existence, it has become a leading and respected research-oriented public university providing high-quality education based on research, scientific, artistic and other creative activities in many specializations in Central Europe.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Mining, Ecology, Process Control and Geotechnology
- Faculty of Metallurgy
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

- Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Informatics
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Manufacturing Technologies
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Aeronautics

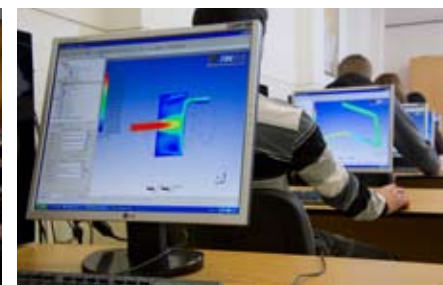
Scientific research, international relations, projects:

The growth of education, research and development is substantially supported by EU Structural funds. At present TUKE is implementing 43 projects from the EU Structural funds (total budget of €80.7 million) and conducting 232 national projects (VEGA, KEGA, APVV, etc.). The university is involved in international scientific research cooperation, which has resulted in 68 international projects (FP6, FP7, Socrates, COST, ERDF South East Europe, ERDF Central Europe, Tempus, INTERREG IVC, CEEPUS, Norwegian Financial Mechanisms, etc.). The University has signed 52 agreements and 124 bilateral Erasmus agreements with partners in 21 EU countries, Turkey and Croatia.

Number of students in 2012/13: 16,260

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 741

Foundation year: 1952





Univerzita Pavla Jozefa Šafárika v Košiciach Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice

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Short description:

The Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice (UPJŠ) is the second classical and the second oldest public university in Slovakia. Its key mission is to provide education and service to the students and the community by spreading knowledge based on the most recent scientific findings in an international context, as well as to conduct high-quality research. The UPJŠ also supports activities contributing to the education and culture of the public. The UPJŠ helps students develop greater wisdom, creativity, tolerance, critical and independent thinking, self-confidence and regional as well as national awareness.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Science

- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Public Administration
- Faculty of Arts

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific research at the UPJŠ is carried out with a strong international dimension. The research teams led by internationally recognized personalities use funding from both national and international sources; every year up to 200 research projects are funded (around 20 by foreign grants). The number of publications per one creative staff member in high-quality international journals, the high proportion of papers registered in the Current Contents Connect database and the number of citations in registered databases rank the UPJŠ amongst the best research universities in Slovakia. In the last three years, 22 projects from the EU Structural Funds brought almost 41 M€ to the UPJŠ budget (i.e. 120 % of an annual budget).

Number of students in 2012/13: 8,728

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 539

Foundation year: 1959





**Univerzita veterinárskeho lekárstva a farmácie
v Košiciach**
**University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy
in Košice**

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Rector: prof. MVDr. Emil Pilipčinec, PhD.

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Short description:

The University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice (UVLF) is a public university offering second-degree study programmes in general veterinary medicine (including study in English for foreign students — at present there are 158 foreign full time students) and pharmacy. The university offers education of the first degree in cynology, man-animal relationship and its use in canistherapy and hipotherapy, and safety of feeds and foodstuffs with two related study programmes of the second degree — production health of animals and environmental protection and the market and quality of foodstuffs. The university offers a higher education of the third degree in 17 accredited study programmes. Veterinary medicine and pharmacy rank among the so-called regulated

professions. The UVLF meets the standards required by the EU and a diploma conferred by the university is valid in all countries of the EU.

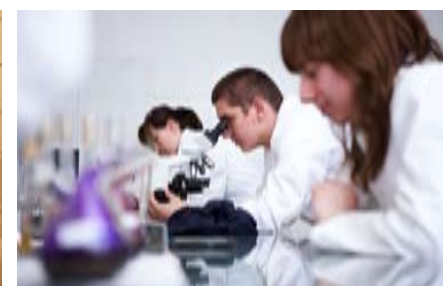
Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific activities at the UVLF are focused primarily on diseases of agricultural and hobby animals, protection of the environment for animals and people, production of healthy, non-harmful foodstuffs and pharmaceutical research. A confirmation of the quality of scientific, research and educational activities of the university is its repeated evaluation by recognized authorities on the national and international levels. International cooperation is carried out in the framework of the university's active membership in the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education and the European Veterinary Network of Students Staff Transfer.

Number of students in 2012/13: 1,832

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 194

Foundation year: 1949





Slovenská zdravotnícka univerzita v Bratislave Slovak Medical University in Bratislava

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Rector: Dr. h. c. prof. PhDr. Dana Farkašová, CSc.

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Short description:

The Slovak Medical University in Bratislava (SZU) is a state higher education institution. It is a modern pedagogic and scientific body focused on all aspects of the education of new physicians and other healthcare workers. The SZU provides specialized and continuous education of practicing physicians. Four faculties of the university offer a doctor of medicine study programme in general medicine, eight bachelor's degree programmes in nursing, midwifery, radiological technique, physiotherapy, urgent medical care, social work, laboratory examination methods and public health, three master's degree programmes in nursing, physiotherapy and public health and four doctorate study programmes in public health, nursing, internal diseases, and surgery.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Public Health
- Faculty of Nursing and Professional Health Studies
- Faculty of Health

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific activities at the SZU are focused on research in the fields of environmental health, safety of nano-particles, infective and age-related diseases. The most important projects supported by the 7th EU Framework programme (ERINHA, SYSTEQ, OBELIX, DENAMIC, NANOTEST, NANOIMPACT, Q-NANO, PRIORITY) and the EU Structural funds (Centre of Excellence of Environmental Health, VEGETA, TABU) are solved in international cooperation. The SZU is a founding member of the international scientific consortium "Regional Cooperation for Health, Science and Technology Association".

Number of students in 2012/13: 15,000

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 271

Foundation year: 2002





international scientific projects: prognostic scenario of short and medium term development of selected types of crime in the Central European region, security and police sciences terminology, and theoretical and methodological essentials of crisis management in public administration. The Academy participates in student and teacher mobility in the EU member states within the Erasmus programme.

Number of students in 2012/2013: 1,431

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/2013: 85

Foundation year: 1992



Akadémia Policajného zboru v Bratislave Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava

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Short description:

The Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava is a state higher education institution of security specialization that is not divided into faculties. It provides higher education at the bachelor's, master's and post-graduate levels. Since its establishment, the Academy has fulfilled its mission to prepare university educated and professionally competent specialists for the needs of the Police Force, specialized departments of the Ministry of Interior and other state and non-state security services.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The priority of scientific and research activities of the Academy is to develop a theory of police sciences and other scientific disciplines forming the theoretical basis of modules taught within provided higher education at the Academy. The Academy focuses on the following





**Akadémia ozbrojených síl generála Milana Rastislava
Štefánika v Liptovskom Mikuláši**
**Armed Forces Academy of General Milan Rastislav
Štefánik in Liptovský Mikuláš**

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Short description:

The Armed Forces Academy (AFA) is a state university, a military educational institution, which does not have faculties in its structure. The AFA is the only educational institution in the Slovak Republic, which provides military professionals with the academic background in order to prepare them for military service. The AFA provides students with three levels of university education in nine different academic programmes. The AFA provides further education in career, professional and specialized courses for both military and civilian personnel.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The Armed Forces Academy (AFA) is focused on research and

technological support for defence projects providing a basis for the development of the Armed Forces of the Slovak Republic. The AFA participates in international projects within NATO, EDA and European Structural Funds as well as in scientific and research boards.

Number of students in 2012/13: 276

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 58

Foundation year: 1973





Vysoká škola ekonómie manažmentu verejnej správy v Bratislave

School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava

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Short description:

The School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava is a modern private school of higher education that meets the needs of students speaking the Slovak language. It offers attractive accredited bachelor's and master's degree study programmes. The school prepares graduates for the labour market, to be successful in employment in Slovakia and abroad. The School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava contributes to the vitality and development of the region and society by providing a high quality and available education and enriching the cultural and economic life of the region.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava is widely connected and collaborates with similar Central European colleges and universities (in the Czech Republic, Poland, Ukraine, Austria, etc.). The school offers study programmes with practical requirements and the newest outcomes in research and science, study stays abroad within the Erasmus programme and the possibility to study selected subjects in foreign languages (English, Russian).

Number of students in 2012/13: 4,512

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 112

Foundation year: 2003





**Vysoká škola zdravotníctva a sociálnej práce
sv. Alžbety v Bratislave**
**St. Elisabeth University of Health and Social Work
in Bratislava**

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Short description:

The St. Elisabeth University of Health and Social Work in Bratislava is a private school of higher education providing study programs in health care, nursing and social work that have national and international accreditation. The university offers 81 accredited study programmes at the bachelor, master and doctoral levels of higher education. In addition it provides courses in health care management, laboratory technologies in medicine, microbiology, neonatology and tropical medicine. The university is unique in having established departments in some of the poorest developing countries, which provide study programmes to enlarge the health care provider staffs in those countries.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The St. Elisabeth University of Health and Social Work in Bratislava has scientific performance especially in virology, microbiology and neonatology. Based on grants from WHO, the institution's experts participate in providing necessary medical care for children with AIDS and acute bacterial infections in developing countries. Slovak Academic Ranking and Rating Agency (ARRA) in 2010 ranked the institution as third best in the MED group. The university is a signatory of the Magna Charta Universitatum, member of the European University Association and Association of University Programs in Health Administration.

Number of students in 2012/13: 14,985

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 475

Foundation year: 2003





Paneurópska vysoká škola Pan-European University

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Rector: prof. JUDr. Ján Svák, DrSc.

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Short description:

The Pan-European University is a private higher education institution. It offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral study programmes at its 5 faculties in various fields of social sciences. The key ambition of the Pan-European University is to offer internationalised tuition and quality research. Offering its programmes, it aims to incorporate new approaches of teaching and learning into traditional programmes of education.

List of faculties:

- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Economics and Business
- Faculty of Mass Media
- Faculty of Informatics
- Faculty of Psychology

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

From the very beginning of its existence, the Pan-European University has ascribed priority to international relations; the fact that approximately 30 per cent of all lecturers are from abroad proves the international character of its staff. The University is also active in science and research, using the potential of its international partnerships. It involves actively in the EU run projects, marking a strong position in the activities of the Lifelong Learning Programme (ERASMUS sub-programme).

Number of students in 2012/13: 5,200

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 120

Foundation year: 2004





Bratislavská medzinárodná škola liberálnych štúdií Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts

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Rector: Dr. Samuel Abraham, PhD.

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Short description:

The Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts (BISLA) is a private school of higher education grounded in the humanities. The school offers a bachelor's degree study program.

At BISLA, students do not memorize, but analyze, think and discuss. They are encouraged to evaluate facts in the context of diverse disciplines, ranging from political science, philosophy, and history to literature, sociology and art history; from Plato to Rorty, from Shakespeare to Kundera.

BISLA believes that when it comes to education, the smaller the better. Therefore, the school admits a maximum of 20 to 25 students into each class. Each year, there are also a number of foreign students studying at BISLA.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

ECOLAS – The European Colleges of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Teaching and Learning Center – Europe-wide network of TLC's

Number of students in 2012/13: 46

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2011/12: 13

Foundation year: 2006





Stredoeurópska vysoká škola v Skalici University of Central Europe in Skalica

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Short description:

The University of the Central Europe in Skalica (SEVŠ) is a private school of higher education that was established on the basis of approval granted by the Resolution of the Slovak Government No. 907/2005 on November 16, 2005. According to the conferred rights, the SEVŠ is accredited in the following study programmes: bachelor's study programmes – international relations, environment and environmental management; master's study programmes - international relations and environmental management; and post-graduate study programme – environmental management.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

The SEVŠ has established cooperation with international universities in bilateral mutual projects. It is also active in Tempus projects (a network for engineer training) and training for secondary school

teachers. The Structural Funds are other major projects in which the SEVŠ is involved. They are designed to support education, science and research. The most important projects mainly concern the transfer of research results support, the development and transfer of technology at the SEVŠ into practice, and the improvement of the quality of higher education at the SEVŠ study programme of environmental management. The SEVŠ has recently joined the Erasmus Programme to support staff and students mobility. The SEVŠ supports and takes initiatives in building fruitful cooperation with a number of universities in Slovakia and abroad.

Number of students in 2012/13: 811

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 43

Foundation year: 2005





Vysoká škola v Sládkovičove
University of Sládkovičovo

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Short description:

The University of Sládkovičovo is a private university aimed at the humanities. The university consists of the following faculties: the Janko Jesenský Faculty of Law, the Faculty of Public Policy and Public Administration and the Faculty of Social Studies. Through these three faculties, the university offers possibility to study at the first and second level of higher education in the following accredited study programmes: Law, Public Policy and Public Administration and Social Work. The University of Sládkovičovo also offers a PhD. study programme in the field of Business and Financial Law and other programmes are in the process of accreditation. The university plans to offer other study programmes at both bachelor and master levels in the future.

List of faculties:

- Janko Jesenský Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Public Policy and Public Administration
- Faculty of Social Studies

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific research at the private University of Sládkovičovo is focused on the support of education and improvement of quality in educational process within the realization of accredited study programmes at individual faculties. Scientific research activities are carried out mainly by publications, organization of scientific conferences, participation in external and internal grant tasks – domestic or foreign ones – e.g. grant tasks of the Slovak Research and Development Agency as well as the projects within EU. Moreover, the university participates in the Erasmus programme and develops international relations at the level of bilateral agreements with the universities from the neighbouring countries such as the Deák Ferenc Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of the Széchenyi István University in Győr or the Faculty of Law of the Uzhhorod National University and others.

Number of students in 2012/13: 2,353

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 124

Foundation year: 2005





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MANAŽMENTU

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Short description:

The School of Management is the first private business school in Slovakia. The school was established by law in 1999. It is accredited by the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic at the undergraduate and graduate levels for programmes in business administration and knowledge management and at the doctoral level in knowledge management. The founder of the VŠM is The City University of Seattle, which has been successfully operating in Slovakia since 1991. The City University of Seattle in Slovakia offers BSBA and MBA programmes, and its diplomas are accredited in the USA by NWCCU. The School of Management and the City University of Seattle have compatible curricula for the bachelor's degree programme in English and they share an international staff of professors and faculty.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific and research activities are related to the fields of study (knowledge management and business administration). The School of Management's research faculty actively participates in multiple projects sponsored by the EU grants and other programmes. The School of Management and The City University of Seattle offer joint degrees in business administration at the undergraduate and graduate levels, which means that credits earned can be applied towards either Slovak or the U.S. accredited degree. The School of Management successfully passed the EUA institutional evaluation in 2007, holds the Erasmus university charter for student and faculty mobility and has multiple bilateral agreements with partner universities in Europe, the USA and South America.

Number of students in 2012/13: 1,500

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 42

Foundation year: 1999





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Short description:

The Dubnica Institute of Technology in Dubnica nad Váhom (DTI) is a private school of higher education offering accredited bachelor's degree programmes (Teacher training in practical preparation, Teacher training in economical subjects, Management, Electronics for Means of Transport) and accredited master's degree programmes (Teacher training in technical subjects, Teacher training in economic subjects). Moreover, it offers various courses in the framework of lifelong learning. The DTI focuses on education and research for the training of qualified professionals. To accomplish this mission, the DTI cooperates with universities across Slovakia and abroad as well as with entrepreneurs, the public sector and NGOs. It also participates in international projects.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

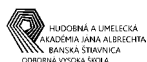
Scientific and research activities at the DTI include: scientific conferences and seminars on the national and international level, implementation of projects supported by the EU funds and by the DTI Institutional Grant Agency, participation in projects of public universities within the framework of VEGA and KEGA grants, cooperation with foreign universities, activities within the Week of Science and Technology in Slovakia and participating in various publications. The most significant projects of the DTI are: „The Virtual University: Quality Improvement of the Extramural Form of Study at the Dubnica Institute of Technology“ (ITMS: 26110230010) and „The Quality Improvement of Education and Development of Human Resources at the Dubnica Institute of Technology“ (ITMS: 26110230059).

Number of students in 2012/13: 4,614

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 72

Foundation year: 2006





Hudobná a umelecká akadémia Jána Albrechta v Banskej Štiavnici Ján Albrecht Music and Art Academy in Banská Štiavnica

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Short description:

The Ján Albrecht Music and Art Academy Banská Štiavnica is the only private artistic academy of higher education in Slovakia, which offers two attractive bachelor's study programmes: the first is Music Theory and Performance (MTP) and the second is Music Theory and Composition (MTC). Students complete the study in three years (6 semesters). Currently, we provide the bachelor's study, but we have already applied for two master's study programmes. We also offer the supplementary pedagogical study. The aim of our academy is to provide the study at the high- quality level and to offer new study possibilities (jazz, play the historical instruments, sound design, etc.).

Scientific research, international relations, projects:

The Ján Albrecht Music and Art Academy Banská Štiavnica was established 2011, the Artistic and Scientific Research Centre focuses on research in various artistic and scientific areas. The international collaboration is one of the most important priorities: we organize lectures, workshops, scientific seminars and conferences, festival, concerts as well as mobility in frame of LLP Erasmus, domestic and foreign funds. We collaborate with universities and scientific institutions from Europe and the USA.

We regularly publish the volumes from conferences, own research results in scientific publications, own journal, scores, CDs and DVDs.

Number of students in 2012/13: 33

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 9

Foundation year: 2011





Vysoká škola medzinárodného podnikania ISM
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Short description:

The College of International Entrepreneurship ISM Slovakia in Prešov (VŠMP ISM) is a private school of higher education, a subsidiary of the ISM Dortmund, Germany, providing bachelor's and master's study programmes in the areas of business studies and social sciences. The VŠMP ISM was established as an institution focused on the exploration of international, social, educational and other interdisciplinary dimensions of business, which offers attractive, modern study programmes reflecting both regional and broader European contexts, responding to the requirements of the labour market.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific research and international cooperation are viewed at the VŠMP ISM as guarantees of continuous quality improvement. The VŠMP ISM is involved in the international institutional research projects in the fields of economic and social sciences. Currently, the VŠMP ISM has 25 bilateral agreements on cooperation with higher education institutions from both the EU and non-EU countries. International relations of the VŠMP ISM are being further developed through the activities of LLP-Erasmus scheme (20 bilateral agreements).

Number of students in 2012/13: 822

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 41

Foundation year: 2005





**Vysoká škola bezpečnostného manažérstva
v Košiciach**

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Short description:

The University of Security Management in Košice (VŠBM) is a private school of higher education oriented towards education in the fields of economics, engineering, law and security. The VŠBM offers education in the first and second degree in management of security systems. In the near future, the VŠBM plans to offer education in the areas of economics security, transportation security and information security. The school aims to provide a wide-spectrum education for the security sphere in the public and private sectors.

Scientific research and international relations projects:

Scientific research at the VŠBM is orientated towards security management in almost all fields. Personal and property protection with a focus on security in the environment, economics, transportation,

information systems, criminalistics, criminology and forensic sciences are dominating elements of these projects. At present, the dominant VŠBM project involves a frame of the EU Structural Funds and focuses on an enhancement and innovation of the management of security systems study programme. The scientific and research projects are solved on both a national and international level.

Number of students in 2012/13: 2,943

Number of scientific degree lecturers in 2012/13: 42

Foundation year: 2006



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