

The University of Warsaw was founded in 1816. Today, it is the largest university and the best research centre in Poland.

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UW – Facts and Figures

- UW holds 1st place in national university rankings
- belongs to 3% top universities in the world according to Times Higher Education, Quacquarelli Symonds, and ARWU rankings; Shanghai's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2023 includes 7 disciplines at the UW, with physics and mathematics ranked highest (101–150)
- is a member of the 4EU+ Alliance, which has the status of a European university granted by the European Commission
- has the status of a research university for the years 2020–2026 due to taking 1st place in the competition of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education "Initiative Excellence Research University"
- holds the "HR Excellence in Research" distinction awarded by the European Commission



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UW Community

8,090 employees

4,106 academic teachers

1,742 doctoral candidates

36,300 students of first-, second-, and full-cycle studies

3,662 international students and doctoral candidates

2,116 postgraduate students

over 8,000 graduates per year









25 Faculties

- Faculty of Applied Linguistics
- Faculty of Applied Social Sciences and Resocialisation
- Faculty of Archaeology
- Faculty of "Artes Liberales"
- Faculty of Biology
- Faculty of Chemistry
- Faculty of Culture and Arts
- 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 Medicine
- Faculty of Modern Languages
- Faculty of Oriental Studies
 - Faculty of Philosophy
 - Faculty of Physics
 - Faculty of Polish Studies
- Faculty of Political Science
- and International Studies
- Faculty of Psychology
- Faculty of Sociology



First-, Second-, and Full-Cycle Studies

- programmes in humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences
- programmes with elements of medical sciences and engineering
- interdisciplinary studies in humanities and social sciences (MISH), and sciences and natural sciences (MISMaP, MSOŚ)
- 42 programmes in English
- over 20 double or multiple degree programmes run jointly with foreign universities
- PEU/RPL (Confirmation of Learning Outcomes) possibile shortening of studies by passing selected subjects on the basis of knowledge and skills previously acquired at work, in courses and trainings



94%

to research, 94% of UW alumni find employment within a year after graduation.

Study Programmes in English

- Adult Education and Developmental Activities Design (secondcycle)
- Applied Multilingual and Multicultural Studies (second-cycle)
- African Studies (second-cycle)
- American Studies (first-, second-cycle)
- Archaeology (first-, second-cycle)
- Business and Management (first-cycle)
- Chemistry (second-cycle)
- Cognitive Science (second-cycle)
- Data Science and Business Analytics (second-cycle)
- English Studies Linguistics (first-, second-cycle)
- English Studies Literature and Culture (first-, second-cycle)
- EU Energy and Climate Law (second-cycle)
- European Politics and Economics (first-cycle)
- Finance, International Investment and Accounting (first-cycle)
- Global Environment and Development (second-cycle)
- History of Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations (second-cycle)
- Humanitarian Action (second-cycle)
- Interdisciplinary Studies on Social Change: Mediterranean and Other European Borderlands (second-cycle)
- International Business Program (second-cycle)

- International Economics (second-cycle)
- International Legal Communication (second-cycle)
- International Management and Intercultural Communication –
 Global MBA (second-cycle)
- International Relations (first-, second-cycle)
- International Studies in Philosophy (first-cycle)
- Machine Learning (second-cycle)
- Master in Food System
- Migration Studies and New Societies (second-cycle)
- Oriental Studies Inner Asia: Mongolian and Tibetan Studies (second-cycle)
- Physics (second-cycle)
- Political Science (first-, second-cycle)
- Psychology (full-cycle)
- Quantitative Finance (second-cycle)
- Quantum Physics and Chemistry Individual Research Studies (second-cycle)
- Religions of Asia and Africa: Buddhism, Islam and Others (second-cycle)
- Social and Public Policy (first-cycle)
- Sustainable Development (second-cycle)
- Teaching English to Young Learners (second-cycle)

Doctoral Schools and Postgraduate Studies

- 4 doctoral schools offering education in Polish and English:
 - Doctoral School of Humanites
 - Doctoral School of Social Sciences
 - Doctoral School of Exact and Natural Sciences
 - Interdisciplinary Doctoral School
- around 100 postgraduate programmes, including:
 - Executive MBA (Master of Business Administration)
 - School of Education full-time studies for future teachers, a programme developed with Columbia University and run by the UW and the Polish-American Freedom Foundation





Other Forms of Education

- Open University courses:
 - approximately 300 in each of the three trimesters,
 - available to participants aged 16 and over, taught by academics
- courses and training to develop professional competences
- language courses and language certification examinations
- classes for children and adolescents



Research University

- research university status for 2020–2026
- PLN967mln subsidy from the Ministry of Science and Higher Education for maintaining teaching and research potential
- over 1,700 national and international grants
- 8 disciplines with the A+ category

Excellence InitiativeResearch University



- the UW receives additional funding between 2020 and 2026
- 5 priority research areas:
 - Research for the Earth
 - At the core of micro and macro world
 - The petabyte challenge
 - Extending boundaries of the humanitites
 - In search of regional solutions to global challenges
- 70 activites including programmes to support the development of employees, doctoral candidates and university students
- the UW was assessed positively during the 2023 mid-term evaluation of the programme







Sources of Research Fundings

- programmes of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education (within 2023 272 projects)
- grants from the National Science Centre (987 projects)
- grants from the National Centre for Research and Development (10 projects)
- projects financed by the Łukasiewicz Research Network PORT
 Virtual Research Institute (2 projects)
- other national sources, e.g. projects commissioned by Bank PKO SA, Advanced Industrial Technologies Sp. z o.o., City of Ostrołęka, Capital City of Warsaw (53 projects)
- European Union framework programmes: Horizon 2020 (54 projects),
 Horizon Europe (66 projects)
- other international programmes, e.g. European Molecular Biology
 Organisation, International Visegrad Fund, Polish-German Foundation for Science, Rothschild Foundation, DeepMind Technologies Limited

European Research Council Grants

- funded by the EU Framework Programmes
- 33 ERC grants were awarded to UW employees between 2007 and 2023; in total, researchers working in Poland received 81 ERC grants during this period
- one grant was awarded to a foreign researcher, who decided to carry out his project at the UW
- UW grants in 4 categories: Starting, Consolidator, Advanced, Proof of Concept
- areas covered by the projects: algorithms, anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, chemistry, economics, physics, history, cultural studies, cryptography, linguistics, logic, sociology
- the UW is a partner in 2 ERC-funded projects coordinated by the Polish Academy of Sciences, and the University of Oxford





International Research Programmes

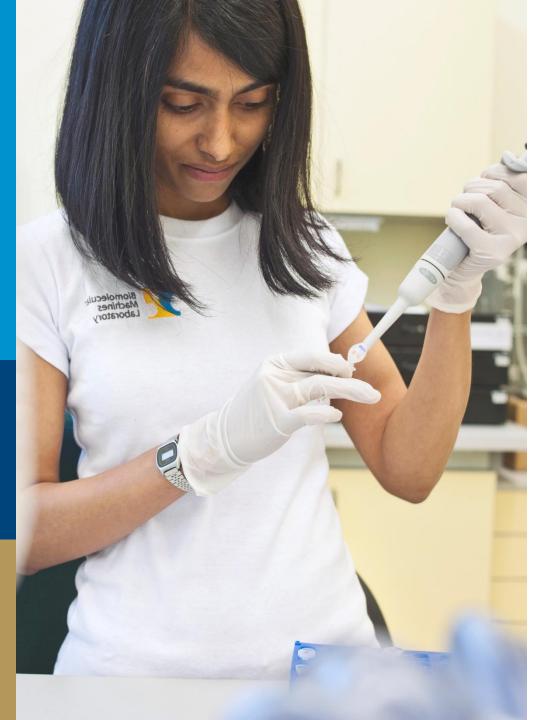
- UW researchers participate in 4 EU communities of the European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT)
 - EIT Food Knowledge and Innovation Community in the area of food
 - EIT Climate Knowledge and Innovation Community on climate change
 - EIT Raw Materials Knowledge and Innovation Community in the area of raw materials
 - EIT Health/EIT Health InnoStars Knowledge and Innovation Community in the area of innovation in medicine and healthcare
- the UW hosts the Center for Quantum Optical Technologies (QOT) International Research Agenda, established in collaboration with the University of Oxford



Multiannual Programme

- investments that serve to create the right conditions for the University's development
- objectives:
 - developing research in humanities and social sciences, strengthening interdepartamental cooperation, conducting interdisciplinary projects
 - developing mobility of academics, doctoral candidates and students
 - supporting initiatives that take into account cooperation with social and economic environment
 - creating the centre for popularisation of science, training, expertise, and lifelong learning
- budget: PLN970mIn





ZIP Programme



- objectives:
 - improving the quality of teaching
 - enriching the offer of doctoral education
 - developing competences of students and employees
 - modernising management
- 150 teaching projects and 1450 training events enhancing competences of UW employees, doctoral candidates and students
- budget: over PLN41mln from the Operational Programme
 Knowledge Education Development (EFS)
- the programme was completed on 31st December 2023

International Cooperation

- more than 1,000 national and international partners
- more than 380 partners cooperating with the UW under direct cooperation agreements
- approx. 600 universitites cooperating with the UW within the Erasmus+ programme
- nearly 90 international scientific societies and networks, including the UW as a member
- membership of the 4EU+ Alliance, which has the status of a European University



4EU+ Alliance

- In 2019, the 4EU+ Alliance was awarded a European University status in the European Commission's "European Universities" competition for 2019–2022
- In 2022, One Comprehensive Research European University (1CORE), a project of the 4EU+ Alliance, was granted funds in the "European Universities" competition organised by the European Commission under the Erasmus+ programme
- The Alliance's objectives:
 - increasing the mobility of researchers, students and administrative employees
 - establishing a common framework for education
 - fostering the integration of European higher education and its sustainability



4eu+





Flagship Programmes of 4EU+

- Health and democratic change in urban environment
- Europe in a changing world: understanding and engaging societies, economies, cultures and languages
- Data Models Transformations
- Environmental transitions

Outreach

- UWRC sp. z o.o. a special purpose vehicle supporting the UW and its employees in the commercialisation of the results of scientific work; 30 spin-off companies have been created with the UWRC's participation
- expert centres and laboratories offering services to external institutions and companies: Biological and Chemical Research Centre, Center for Forensic Sciences, Centre for Political Analyses and Security Studies
- Centre for Dialogue and Cooperation a platform for cooperation and communication between the University and the socio-economic environment
- UW Incubator supports students, doctoral candidates, employees, and graduates in commencing their business activities

