

NUMBERS

WE CAN BE PROUD OF:

UNIVERSITY OF DEBRECEN
FACTS AND FIGURES



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PREFACE



This year we are publishing this booklet for the sixth time to provide a comprehensive overview of the most important educational and scholarly research achievements of the University of Debrecen as well as to report on its international relations and its financial management and organization.

We will introduce our university through numbers. The aim is to provide a comprehensive and clear overview of the activities of our institution to members of the university community, our partners from the public sphere and business sector, prospective students, government decision-makers, competitors, as well as recent graduates and their employers.

The graphs and charts lend themselves to analysis from multiple perspectives. We hope that this collection demonstrates that the University of Debrecen is a successful and attractive higher education institution with tremendous value and an outstanding record.

We recommend this brochure to the public in the hopes that based on the facts and figures included in it and your own experience with our institution you will also consider and recommend the educational programs and scholarly-research services of the University of Debrecen.

Debrecen, September 2019

Dr. Zoltán Bács
Chancellor

Dr. Zoltán Szilvássy
Rector

ORGANIZATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF DEBRECEN



The University of Debrecen, as a leading institution in Hungarian higher education and in line with the principles of the Magna Charta of European Universities, strives to contribute to the advancement of Hungarian society and universal scholarship by providing high-quality, versatile, and interdisciplinary education, research, and development programs. Such programs are realized by the faculty, staff, and students of the university together, devoted to quality management and in cooperation with Hungarian and international partners. As a result, the university

- is renowned internationally as a prestigious educational and scholarly research and development institution in the fields of agricultural sciences, arts and humanities, health sciences, law, economics, engineering, educational sciences, medicine, social sciences, natural sciences, and music;
- is becoming a leading intellectual center in Eastern Hungary striving to increase its efficiency, flexibility, and responsiveness, emphasizing dynamic development and the rationalization of management in close cooperation with neighboring regions of the surrounding countries;
- aims to train highly professional people considering European trends



and the needs of society by extending tertiary education, the development and implementation of multi-tier programs (bachelor's, master's, and Ph.D. programs), the diversity of postgraduate programs, continuing education, while taking advantage of the opportunities offered by distance learning and the need for life-long learning;

- facilitates collaboration between the private sector, business sphere, local and state government in regional and cross-border educational, research and development programs as a research university and a key actor in economic development.

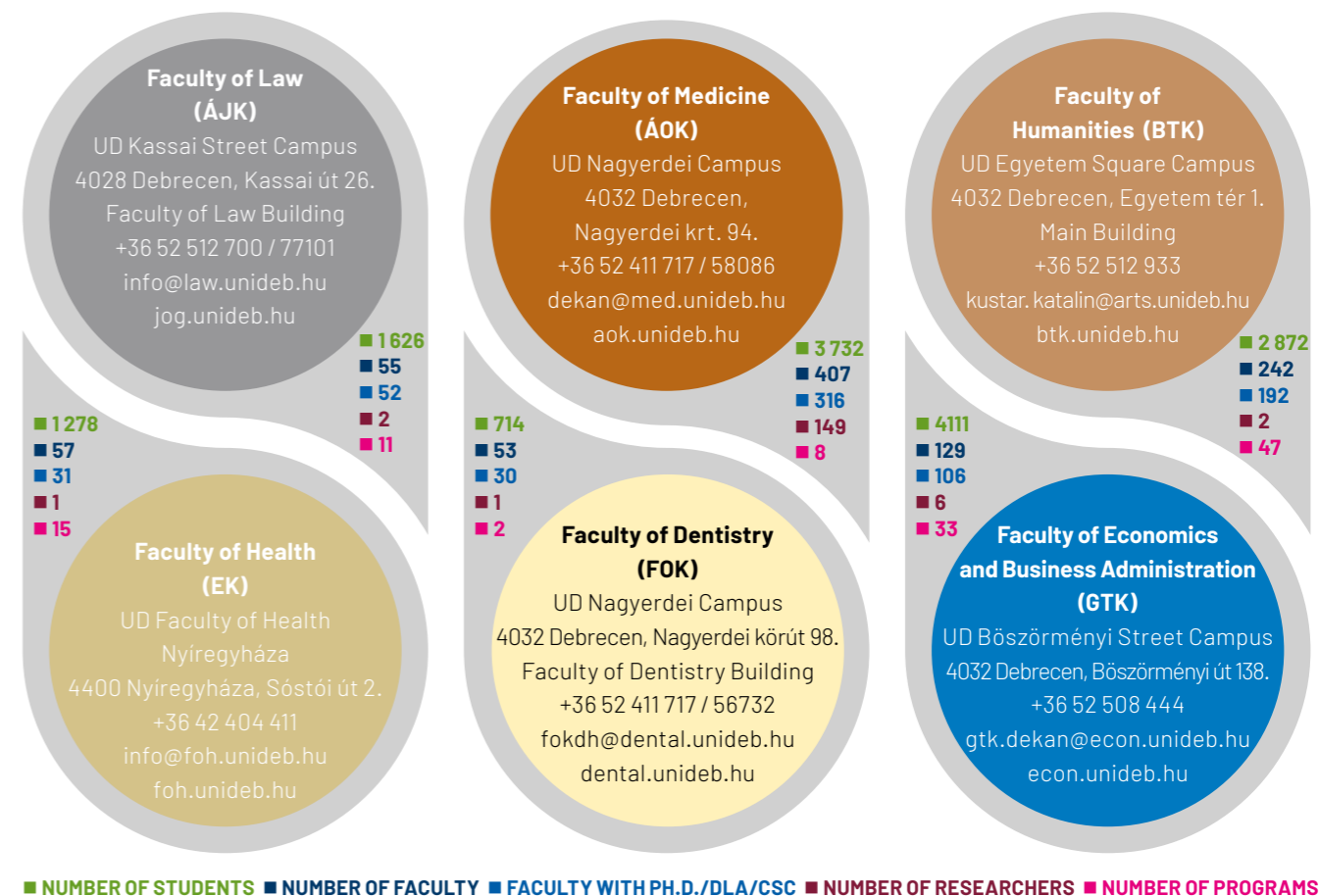
The University of Debrecen aims to serve Hungary and her citizens in line with its mission statement preserving its diversity, unity, and systematic activities on all levels of education ranging from pre-school to adults. Besides providing services in education, research, healthcare and prevention activities, as well as agriculture, the university is also committed to strengthening cooperation with society and the business sphere and accomplishing the third mission of higher education, the propagation of sports and culture. The main focus of the University of Debrecen's activities is directed at the health sector.

EDUCATION

At one of the country's most popular institutions of higher education outside the capital, more than 1,500 faculty members perform educational, research, and development activities in **14 faculties** and **24 doctoral schools** to provide students with a competitive diploma when they enter the world

of work as new professionals. The university offers bachelor's, master's, and one-tier (combined bachelor's and master's) programs whereby elements of knowledge are built on one another guaranteeing continuous development in the given discipline. Doctoral schools, colleges for advanced

studies, scholarly student circles, and talent-management programs support academic performance and fulfilment. In the dual training programs students acquire practical skills and competences in cooperation with business partners.



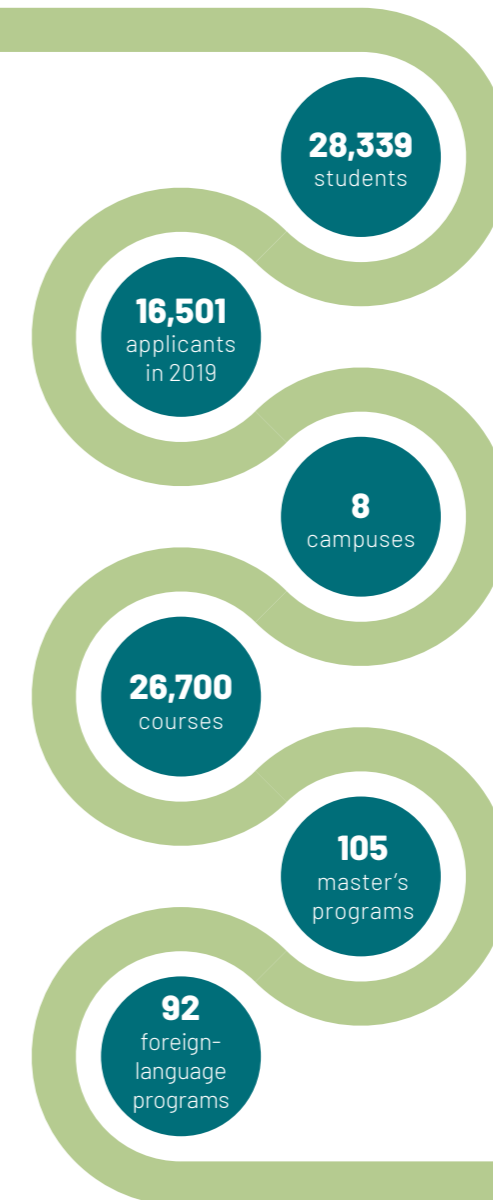


■ NUMBER OF STUDENTS ■ NUMBER OF FACULTY ■ FACULTY WITH PH.D./DLA/CSC ■ NUMBER OF RESEARCHERS ■ NUMBER OF PROGRAMS

In the 2019/2020 academic year, the University of Debrecen is the most popular institution of higher education outside Budapest: In the general admissions procedure there were **16,501** applications, representing 11.7% of all applications **9,951** first place applications, 12.5% of all first place preferences **7,757** admitted students, close to 13% of all students admitted to public-funded higher education.

The University of Debrecen is the country's oldest institution of higher education that has been operating continuously in the same city: Educational services on **8 campuses, 14 faculties, 2 teacher-training** secondary schools and elementary schools

in **91** Bachelor's programs **105** Master's programs **14** undivided, one-tier programs **49** postgraduate specialist courses. **16** higher level vocational training programs and **92** foreign-language programs



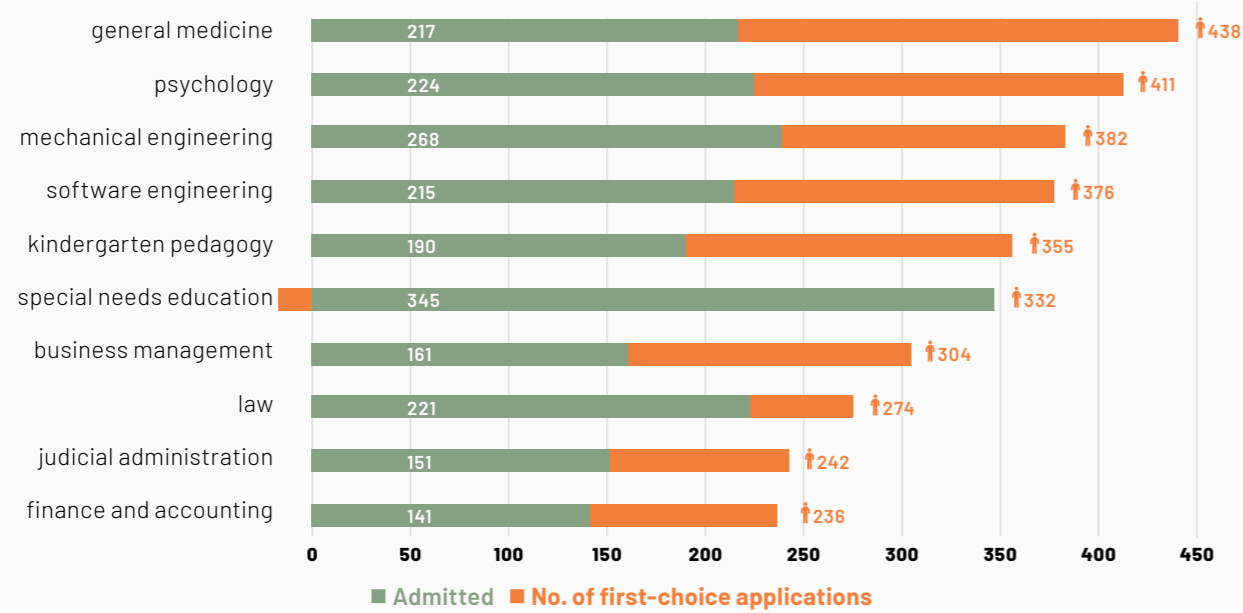
Among the institutions of higher education in Hungary, the University of Debrecen has one of the largest student populations with **28,339** people studying at the university.

Our talent management programs have more than **600** student participants, **145** students were awarded prizes at the 2019 OTDK (National Conference of the Scholarly Students' Association). UD offers the widest range of educational programs in Hungary: Students may choose from close to **26,700** courses offered, with an average of **483,000** course registrations every semester

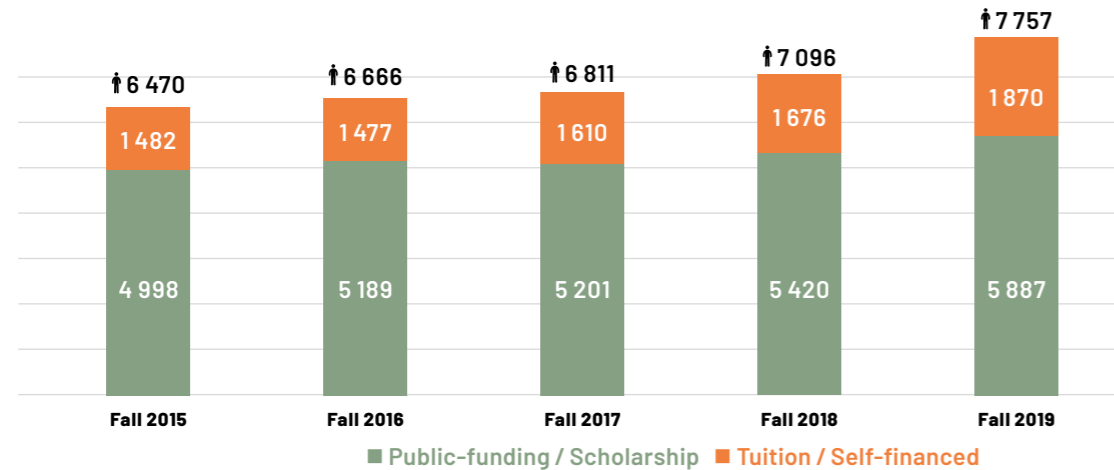


ADMISSION INFORMATION

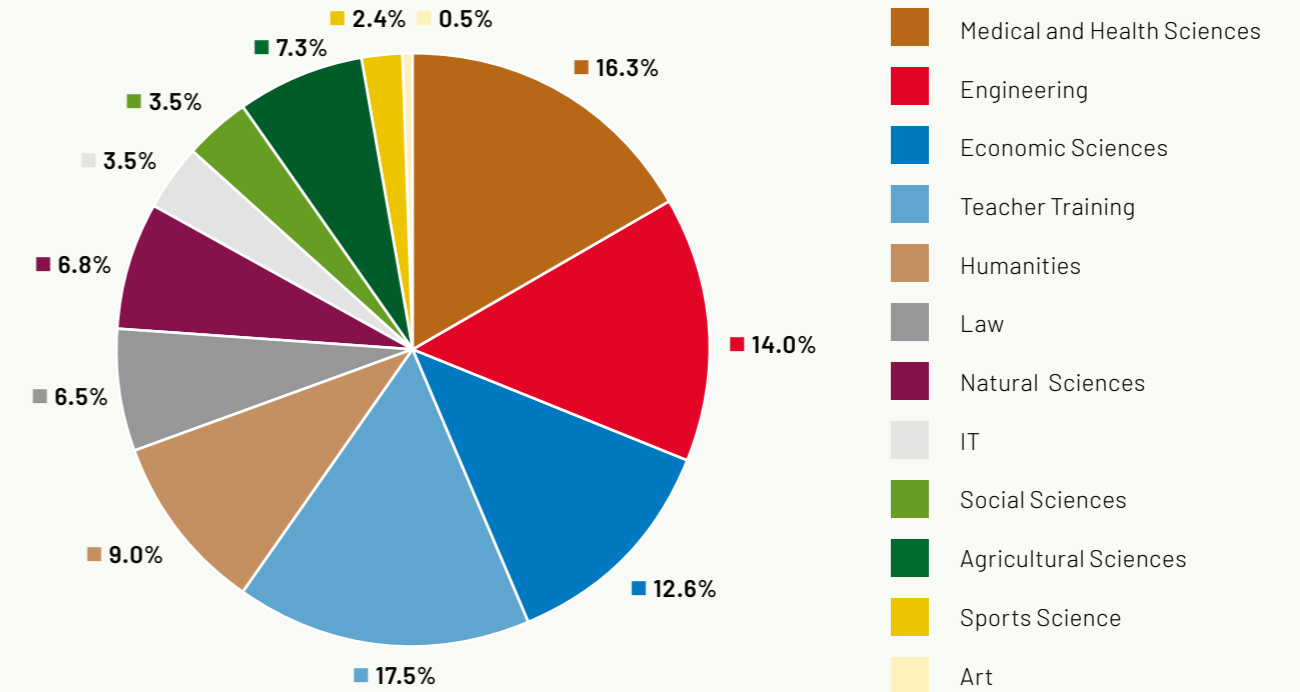
The Most Popular UD Majors Based on First Choice Applications, 2019/2020



Admission Numbers According to Type of Funding, 2015-2019

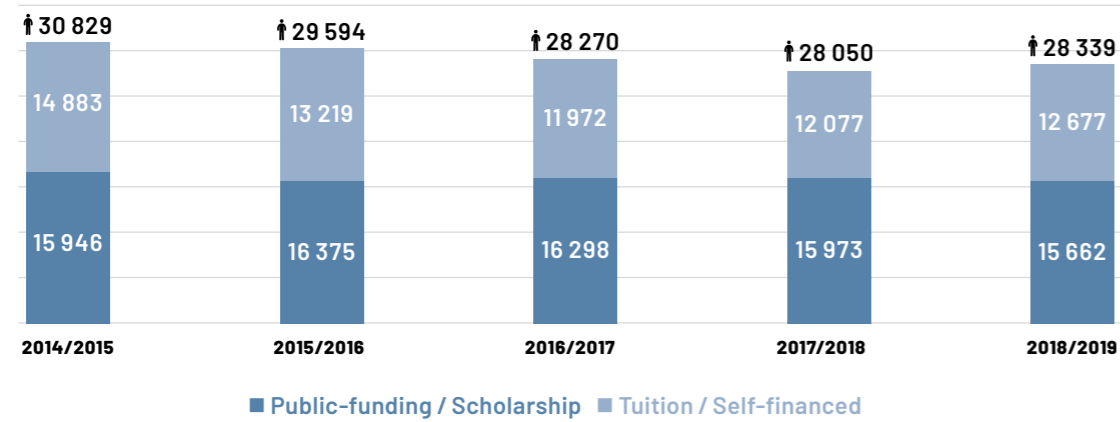


Distribution of UD Admission Numbers According to the Field of Education, Fall 2019



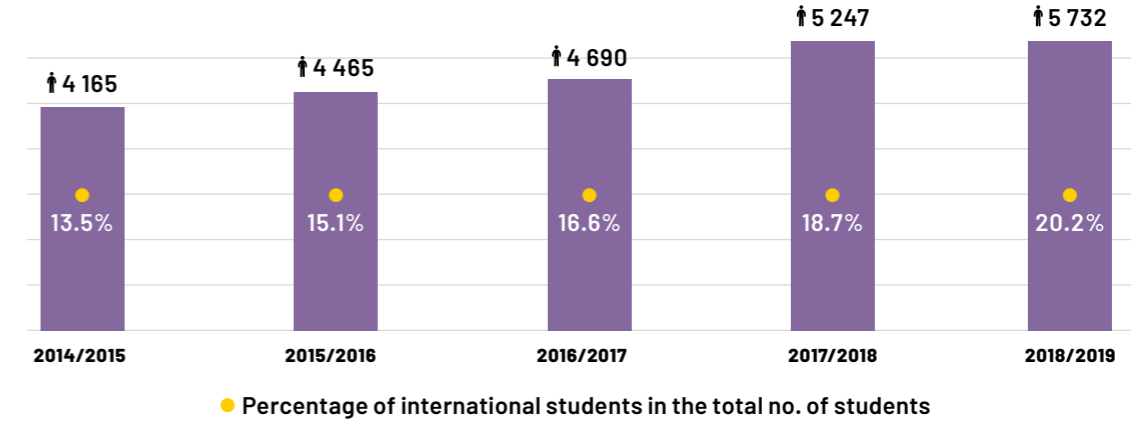
STUDENT NUMBERS

UD Student Numbers According to Type of Funding, 2014-2019

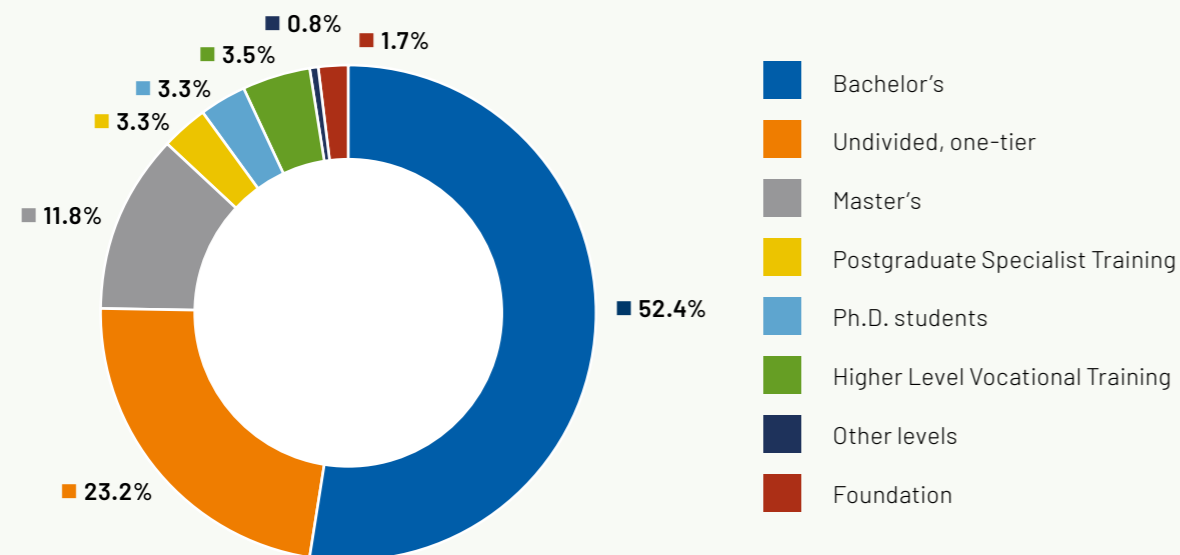


INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

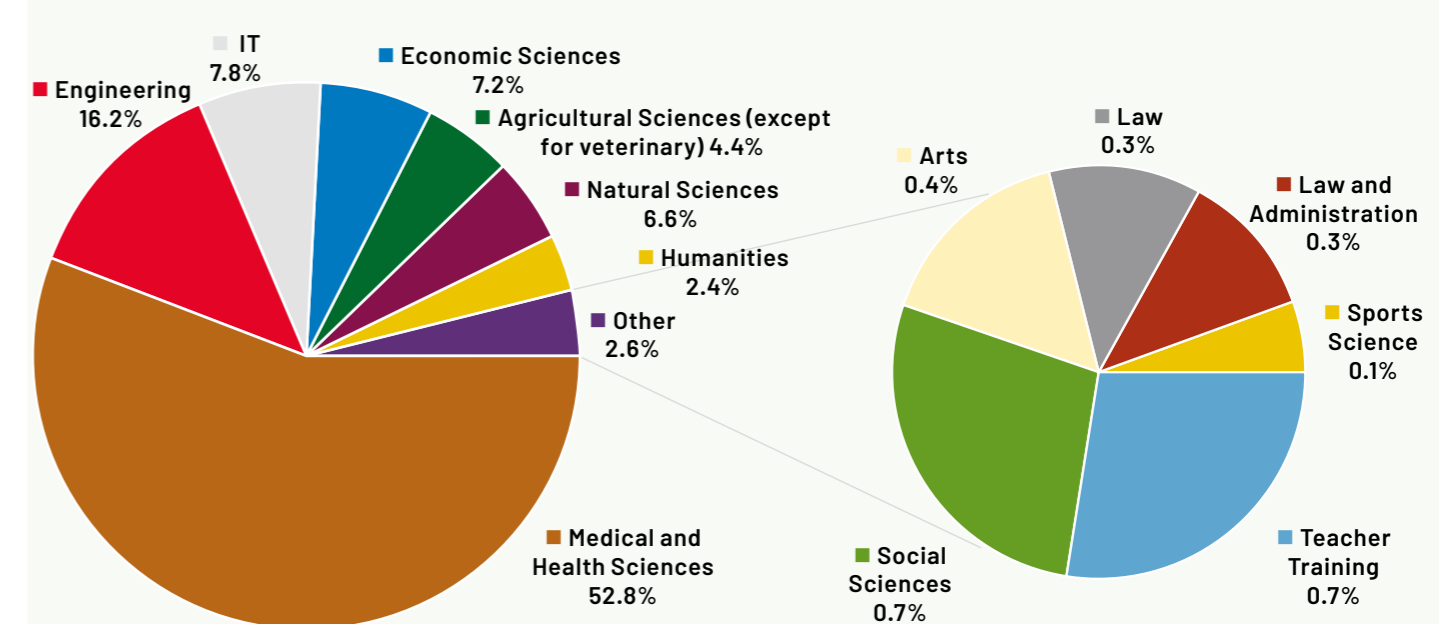
Number of UD International Students (including Ph.D. students), 2014-2019



Distribution of UD Active Student Numbers According to Program Level, 2018/2019



Distribution of UD International Students According to Disciplines, 2018/2019



WHO WE ARE PROUD OF: OUR MOST TALENTED STUDENTS

In 2018 the University of Debrecen received the title of an **Accredited Talent Point of Excellence** for the second time. This title may be used for another three years by DETEP, the institution's talent management program.

The primary objective of the program is to provide extra benefits for **the best performing and most talented students** that enable them to conduct independent research with the support of mentors. This may contribute to

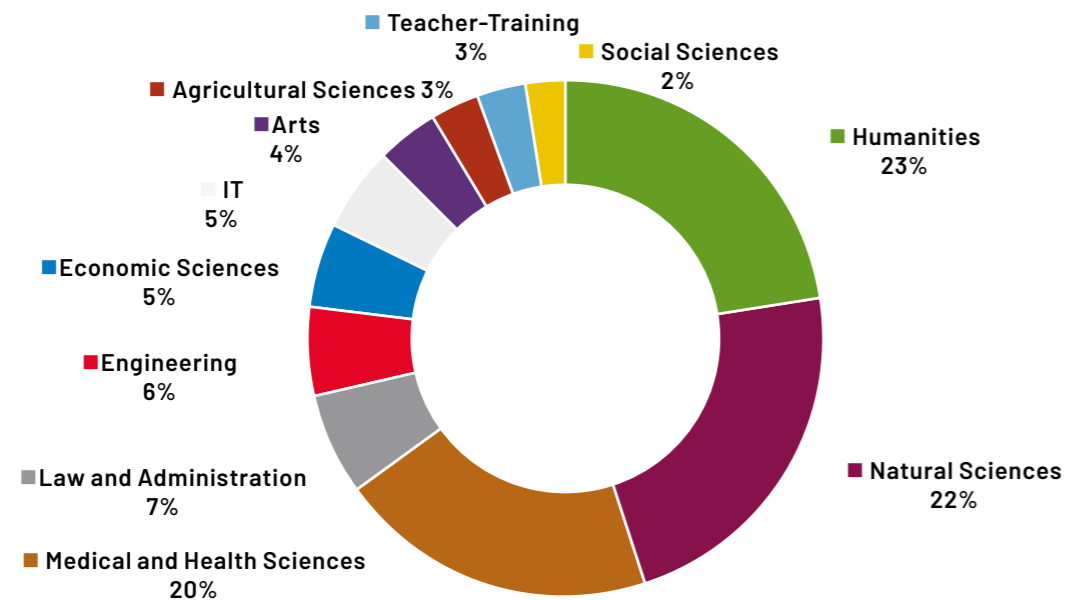
the emergence of the new generation of educators and researchers at the university.

In 2001, the first year of the program, 93 students participated in DETEP, who were joined by another 71 students the following year. The group is now 600 people strong and close to 30 of them are international students studying at the university.

In 2019 **two new Lendület (Momentum) research groups** (one in medical sciences and one in ecology) were

established at the University, adding to **the 10 existing groups already running successfully**. The objective of the Lendület program is to **persuade outstanding young talents to return to Hungary from abroad** and provide the circumstances that help them to stay at home. In the last ten years, since the beginning of the program, 10 Lendület research groups have received the grant at the University of Debrecen.

Students in the UD Talent Management Program (DETEP) According to Discipline, 2018/2019



HONORARY DOCTORS IN THE 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

The university may confer honorary doctoral degrees (using the doctor honoris causa title) to outstanding people both from Hungary and abroad. This honorary title is awarded as an acknowledgement of internationally-acclaimed scholarly activities or a person's contributions to the development of the university. In the 2018/2019 academic year, two such acknowledged scholars received this honorary degree.

Dr. Alexey Grigoryevich Zabelin is the rector of the Moscow University of Finance and Law (MFUA) besides numerous other key positions. Among others, he is a corresponding member of the Russian Academy of Education, member of the Academy of Humanities, President of the Moscow Chamber of Law, and member of the expert board of the education committee of the state DUMA.

MFUA was founded in 1991 and with a student population of 40,000 it is now one of the largest and oldest private universities in Russia. It has continuously been ranked no. 1 among Russian private universities due to its exceptional growth and development. The university has more than 1,500 international students from 34 countries.

The doctor honoris causa title



Dr. Alexey Grigoryevich Zabelin

conferred upon Dr. Zabelin further strengthens the educational, research, and innovation profile of the University of Debrecen and that of the Faculty of Economics in particular. The bestowal of the title greatly improves the scholarly and educational potential of the University of Debrecen in the Eurasian region that is of key significance in the global economy.

Dr. Hans-Werner Retterath, deputy director of the Institute of Germanic Folklore in Eastern Europe (Institut für Volkskunde der Deutschen des östlichen Europa) in Freiburg, instructor at the European Ethnology Institute of Albert-Ludwig University, and a noted ethnographer. The German cultural, scholarly and educational contacts with the University of Debrecen have always received special attention in his work. He is an internationally-acknowledged scholar whose scholarly attention turns towards Eastern-European countries,



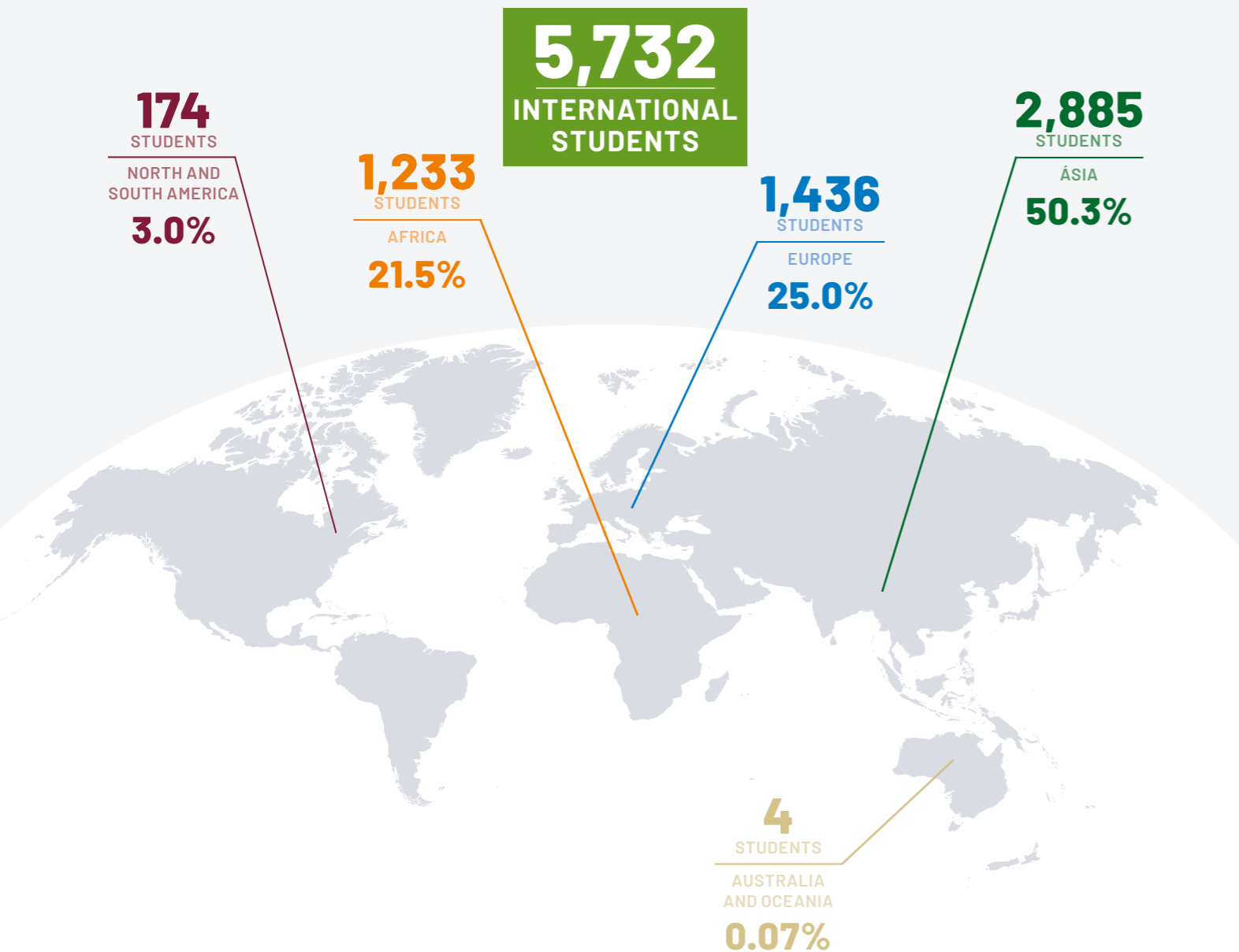
Dr. Hans-Werner Retterath

and in this context he has played an active role in Polish and Hungarian scholarly life.

He has been cooperating closely with the University of Debrecen since 2006: he has contributed to several publications as editor, facilitated German mobility opportunities for researchers, instructors, and students alike. He has supported several of our scholarly events as plenary speaker at international conferences and also participated in student education.

In receiving the title doctor honoris causa, Hans-Werner Retterath becomes acknowledged as a person who supports our University through delivering lectures, participating in the work of doctoral programs, organizing joint research projects and conferences, facilitating scholarships to Germany, while also contributing to maintaining the high standard of German and international educational and research activities.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' HOME CONTINENTS (NOT INCLUDING PH.D. STUDENTS)

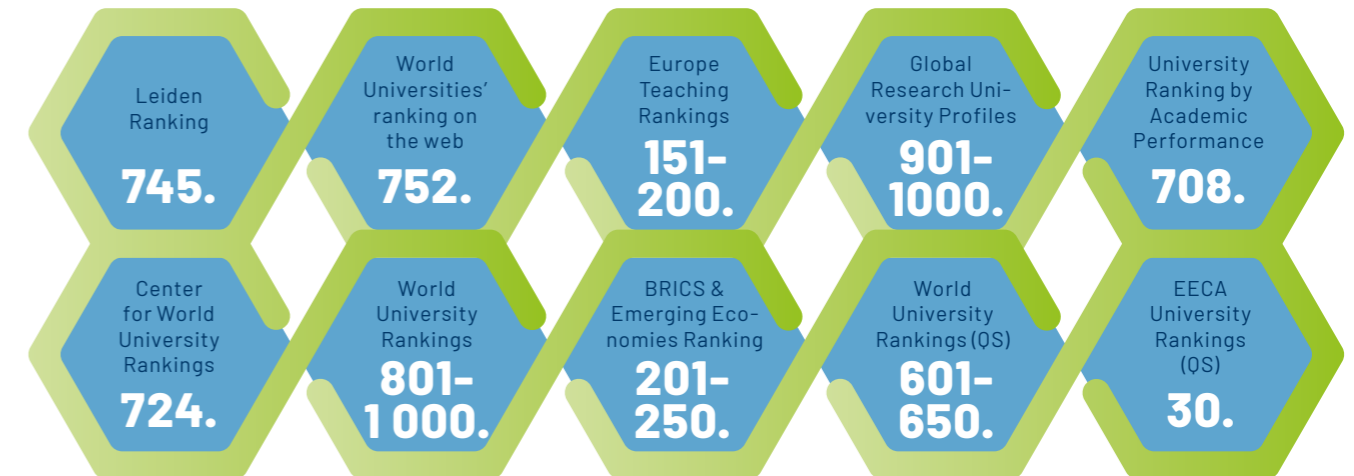


UD IN INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS

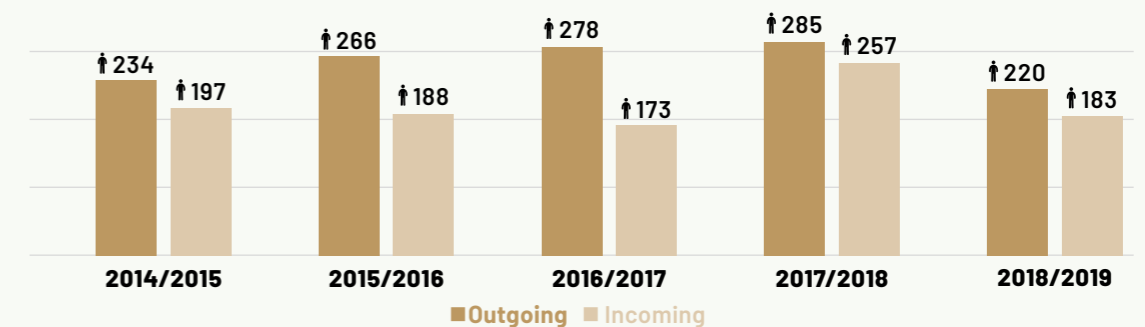
The University of Debrecen was included in the Times Higher Education (THE) Europe Teaching Rankings 2019 for the first time and debuted **among the top three** Hungarian institutions. The ranking is based on educational excellence and featured 258 higher education institutions across 18

European countries. The ranking, now published for the second time, is the first international university ranking that focuses solely on teaching and learning by examining resources, engagement, outcomes, and the environment.

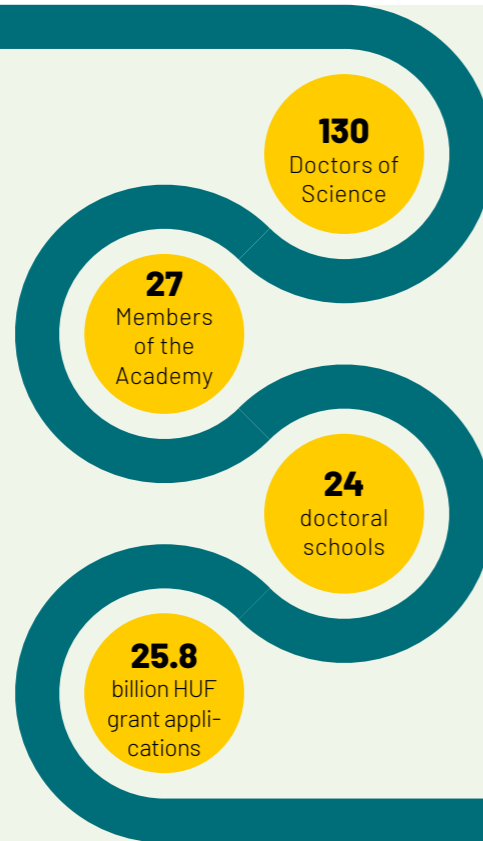
The **University of Debrecen was ranked in position 151-200**, ahead of ELTE. UD received the most points in the "engagement" category, which assesses student recommendations, student involvement in teaching, engagement, and contacts with the labor market.



Number of Students Participating in the UD Mobility Programs, 2014-2019



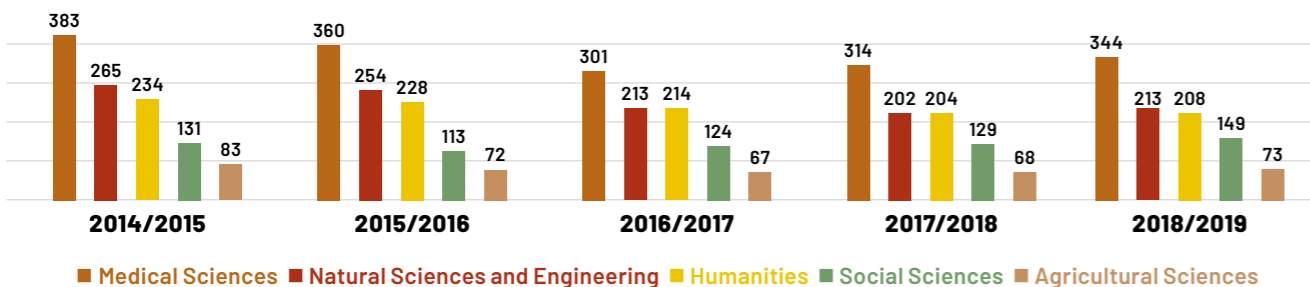
SCHOLARLY AND R & D ACTIVITIES



Among the universities outside the capital, the University of Debrecen is the most extensive scholarly center with research university status: **130 Doctors of Science** (Hungarian Academy of Sciences), **27 Members of the Academy**, **24 doctoral schools**, **24 disciplines**, **73 doctoral programs** with **987 Ph.D. students**. UD runs 16 Colleges for Advanced Studies.

Between 2014 and 2018 UD won **HUF 25.8 billion** for R&D projects in grant applications. The amount received from our contractual activities (commissioned research) exceeded **HUF 3.1 billion**.

Number of Ph.D. Students According to Discipline, 2014-2019



The **uDEsia Award** established by the Senate of the University of Debrecen may be bestowed upon scholars who have received the Nobel Prize or an equivalent award and who have been involved in **scientific cooperation** with the university's researchers and research communities in any of the disciplines represented at the university.

World-renowned biochemist **Arieh Warshel** is the first to receive the University of Debrecen Science Impact Award (uDEsia).

Prof. Warshel is a member of the United States National Academy of Sciences,

the British Royal Society of Chemistry, and is an honorary doctor at Uppsala University in Sweden. As a professor of chemistry and biology, he has taught at the University of Southern California, Harvard University, the Weizmann Institute of Science and the Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge. He has worked at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles since 1976. He received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry with Michael Levitt and Martin Karplus in 2013 for the development of computer models for chemical and biochemical molecular systems.



SCHOLARLY AND R & D ACTIVITIES

Name	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Budgetary support in total (mHUF)	1 212	903	426	4 699	8 129
Funds received for R&D tasks (mHUF)	4 896	6 507	24 921	26 439	25 773
<i>National Research, Development, and Innovation Office Fund</i>	1 436	1 957	2 135	2 210	2 013
<i>Funds indirectly from the EU through EU intermediate bodies</i>	2 949	4 033	22 321	23 888	23 283
<i>EU funds directly from the EU</i>	355	183	255	228	401
Income from external commission, contractual activity (mHUF)	1 723	2 366	2 644	2 739	3 067
Number of national R&D tenders	208	161	148	261	277
Number of international R&D tenders	57	75	84	28	32



The University's state-of-the-art and multi-functional **Learning Center** will be built using funds amounting to three billion Forints. The new building will be built on a triangle-shaped lot of the Egyetem tér Campus. The primary purpose of the facility is community building as it aims to **integrate the large number of students of various nationalities into one student community**, while also considering their culture-specific needs. In the new, multi-functional and comfortable

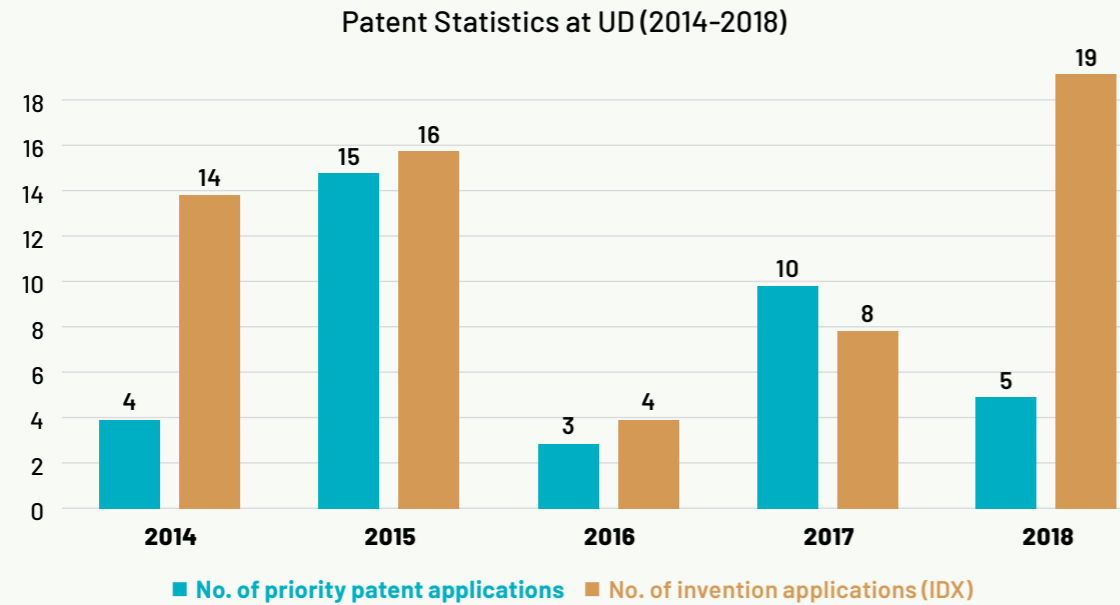
learning center the students may prepare for classes individually or in groups. The building will also provide space for lectures and exams.

The **three-story building with a floor space of 7,000 m²** will have a reinforced concrete structure, with an underground parking lot for 80 vehicles and a lightweight roof level. There will be a central hall on the ground floor, an auditorium seating 299 people that may also be reached from the first floor,

a café, offices, community and service spaces, while in front of the entrances small gardens have been designed for relaxation. The first floor will feature open community learning spaces that may be separated by partition walls. The second floor's facilities include an electronic examination room with 200 seats, classrooms, separate spaces for consultation, and a prayer room. The server room and building engineer spaces will be located on the third floor.



INNOVATION



The “**Proof of Concept**” (PoC) program started with funding from the University of Debrecen Innovation Fund had a stimulating effect on innovation by researchers: in 2018 researchers of the University reported **19 new inventions** to the Research Utilization and Technology Transfer Office, which is more than double such reports in 2017. The PoC program grants up to HUF 10 million per project for the further development and technological validation of research results realized at the university. The objective of the program is to make university

technological innovations attractive for the market and thus to facilitate market utilization (licensing, spin-offs). In 2018 **22 PoC project proposals** were submitted by university researchers, from which **7 projects were granted support** with a total budget of **65.8 million**.

During the 2018/19 academic year the university signed **three licensing agreements** for the utilization of scientific results. The auto-validation know-how developed at the Institute of Laboratory Medicine and the MiniPET software developed at the Medical

Imaging Institute generated a **HUF 12.4 million** income for the university. The right to use the new Vitamin A formula patented by the Institute of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, in cooperation with the University of Strasbourg and the University of Vigo in Spain, was transferred to a **new spin-off company** with expected income to be realized later on in the event of successful product development.

The University of Debrecen is in the forefront in biotechnology research as well. Acknowledging the institution’s



achievements, the world’s largest genomics business, the Chinese Beijing Gemonics Institute (BGI) concluded an agreement with the university. The parties to the agreement cooperate with each other in joint scientific and innovation research proposals, R&D projects, the development of national and international research and innovation projects, joint grant activities, and the training of professionals. Plans also include the establishment of a sequencing center. BGI provides the devices needed for the laboratory used for local residential and

diagnostic tests, while the university provides the necessary human resources. Our positions in engineering and informatics are also further strengthened. The strategic contracts concluded with Rosatom and General Electric facilitate not only education and research in the fields of nuclear and digital energy but also contribute to the development of the University of Debrecen as a whole. The biggest Hungarian investment of the next years is the Paks II project, with our university having a key role in it.





The University of Debrecen as **an active participant of the innovation chain/ knowledge triangle** is devoted to creating original, novel results in basic research that stimulate research and development and thus may create new opportunities for cooperation. The institution strengthens its RDI activities in the region built on its strong foundation of basic research

and related to the health industry, specifically in

- **the pharmaceutical industry** (the Pharmapolis Innovative Pharmaceutical Cluster)
- **agriculture and food industry** (agreement with the Chinese Beijing Genomics Institute)
- **engineering** (Pharma-Flight Center)
- and the **IT and electronics industry**

(contracts concluded with Rosatom and General Electric). The **Institute of Mechatronics and Electrical Engineering and the Institute for Innovation in Engineering and Business Development** established during the previous academic year contribute to these objectives.



The Complex Wine Research and Development Unit of the University of Debrecen, better known as the **University of Debrecen Mád Wine Academy**, was established last fall with the purpose of facilitating research in **medical and health sciences, local history, soil science, and agrometeorology**. The laboratories and researchers' rooms in the Borsay Mansion primarily function as a research center while the classroom and meeting rooms also located here provide the perfect venue for workshops for 10 to 60 people. The facilities of the **Mád Wine Academy** serve multiple purposes: the **Borsay Mansion is the place of research while the Grossmann House** may be used by groups and members of the university community. The analytical wine laboratory will provide professional assistance primarily for winemakers of the region as they may request an analysis of their own products. In the high-performance lab University of Debrecen experts

will do research on the physiological and biomedical effects of wines from the Hegyalja region. The Grossmann House located near the mansion offers accommodation partly related to research activities and partly for touristic purposes. The University of Debrecen and German automotive manufacturing company Continental concluded a cooperation agreement that also includes the teaching of company-specific modules and support for research and development. Within the framework of the agreement, students majoring in **electrical, mechatronic, mechanical and chemical engineering may take Continental-specific learning modules** starting from the 2019/2020 academic year. The German technology company organizes and offers internship opportunities for students of the University of Debrecen and also offers employment for selected students. Continental also undertook to enable student participation in research

and development projects, which contributes to the education of talented people who can have an impact on the future. UD was **the first Hungarian higher education institution** to join the **Chinese One Belt, One Road** initiative. One of the most significant investment companies of the People's Republic of China, the **Morgan Star Group Kft.** will for the first time in Central and Eastern Europe and Hungary begin a comprehensive joint project with the University of Debrecen. The strategic agreement focuses on increasing the number of Chinese students, the organization of student and faculty exchange, the development of joint curricula and research plans as well as economic development: it provides a framework for **investments in the food industry, pharmaceutical manufacturing** and development, as well as extensive **educational, engineering, IT developments related to aviation**.

FINANCIAL DATA, MANAGEMENT

The University of Debrecen has the **largest budget among institutions of higher education in Hungary.**

In 2018 the balance sheet total of the university was **183 billion** Hungarian Forints, **125,125 mHUF revenue** and **122,439 mHUF expenses** were accounted.

The University of Debrecen received **HUF 30,320 million** public funding excluding student allowances and **HUF 33,389 million** was paid into the state budget in the form of taxes and contributions.

Its own revenue exceeded **HUF 22 billion**, the amount of received financial assets was close to **HUF 73 billion**, out of which the amount of NEAK (National Health Insurance Fund) reimbursement was close to **HUF 62 billion.**

Our companies with 100% ownership total **8**, with **HUF 366 million** worth of total UD shares in the companies.

HUF 183 billion
balance sheet total

HUF 125 billion
revenue

HUF 122 billion
expenses

HUF 30 billion
state funding

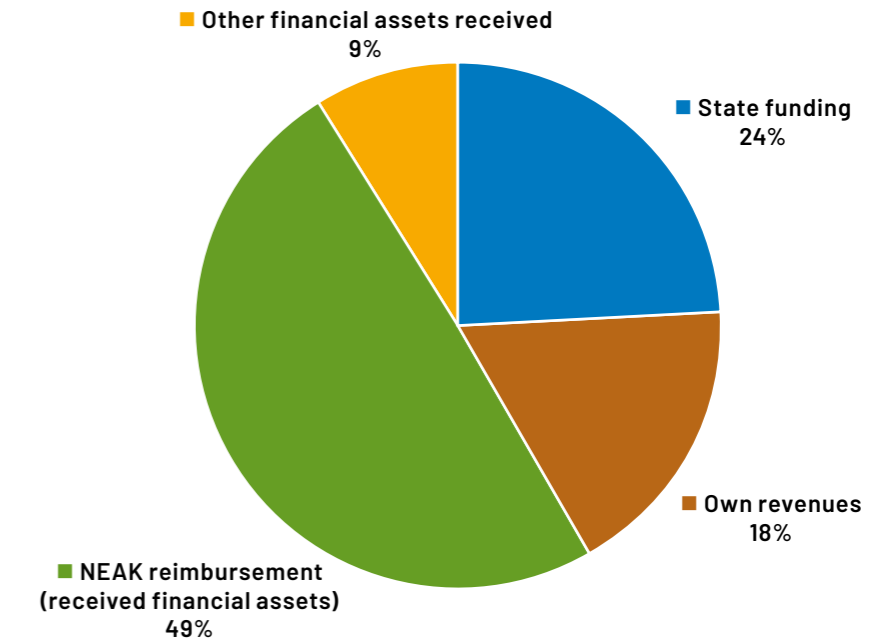
HUF 22 billion
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COMPOSITION OF UD REVENUES FOR 2018



HEALTH

The Clinical Center of the University of Debrecen Teaching Hospital and the Kenézy Gyula Teaching Hospital together help restore the health of more than **three million** patients every year under good conditions and using the most up-to-date procedures.

In 2018 the NEAK (National Health Insurance Fund) reimbursement received by UD was **HUF 61.9 billion**. The authorized number of beds was **2,843**, the average time of care 5.9 days, the number of specialist physicians was **937** and the number of health care professionals **3,904**.

The number of completed nursing days was **834,737** and the completed specialist doctor's hours was 699,688.

The number of medical procedures exceeded **23.5 million cases**, more than half of these were laboratory and **55.5%** outpatient.

Inpatient cases: **143,549**,
Outpatient cases: **2,229,616**,
Laboratory cases: **925,358**.



The number of special procedures at the Clinical Center:

Brain gamma surgery: **410**,

Kidney transplants: **46**,

Adult autologous bone marrow transplants: **89**.

Adult allogeneic bone marrow transplants: **9**.

Transcatheter aortic valve implantations together with aortic catheter: **48**.

Use of ruthenium applicators within the scope of devices/implants available with itemized funding: **99**.

In terms of outpatient care, the obligation of the University of Debrecen Clinical Center to provide in-area care extends into Hajdú-Bihar, Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg, and Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok counties, which means around 1.5 million people in total. In certain fields (e.g., pediatric pulmonology, burn surgery) this obligation extends beyond this area and the population to be cared for in cardiac surgery, for example, exceeds 2 million.

On the highest level of the Hungarian healthcare hierarchy (providing care for more complicated and rare diseases), the obligation of the Clinical Center of the University of Debrecen Teaching Hospital is to provide in-area care for inpatients extending into Hajdú-Bihar County and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg County, as well as some areas of Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok and Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén counties. The total population for which inpatient care has to be

provided is around 1.2 million. In certain fields (e.g., cardiac surgery, oncology, burn surgery, geriatrics, radiotherapy) this population reaches 2 million people.

The University of Debrecen Kenézy Gyula Teaching Hospital is now operated by the University of Debrecen. The integration created **Hungary's largest healthcare system** under the management of the University of Debrecen, which has thus become the flagship of Hungarian healthcare.

As of July 1, 2019, the city's on-call adult and pediatric GP service, primary care

and on-call service in dentistry, the Health Development Office, and the District Nurse Service are overseen by a new unit of the Clinical Center, called the **Debrecen Institute for Primary Care and Health Development**, and this institute will also take over school and kindergarten health services. This is the first such complex institutional primary care system operated in Hungary with a university background. The University of Debrecen was the first in Hungary to conclude a cooperation agreement with **TriNetX, the world's largest health research network**. As

a result, Hungarian patients now have better opportunities for receiving the most modern therapies. Due to revolutionary selection processes, both the number and quality of clinical examinations will increase and improve in the Clinical Center of the University of Debrecen. Using artificial intelligence, the TriNetX system is able to identify suitable subjects for various clinical trials with improved precision and efficiency from the more than a hundred thousand patients of the institution who altogether have millions of data.



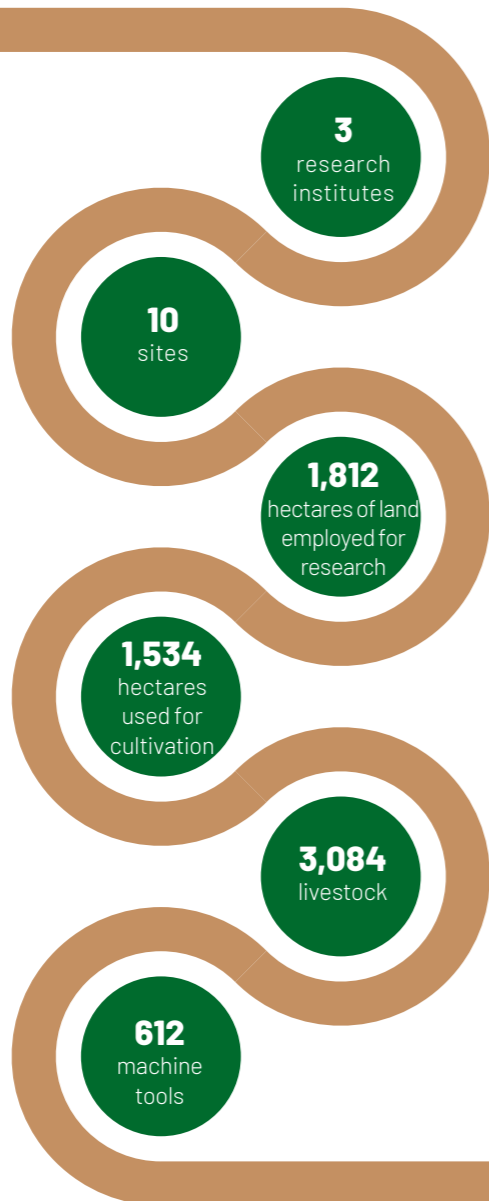
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

The University of Debrecen is the only higher education institution in Hungary which has **3 research institutes**, where **on 10 sites** there are more than **1,812 hectares** of land employed for **research and production**.

1,534 hectares are used for cultivation of **crops on arable land**. Revenue related to production reached **535 mHUF** in 2018.

35 types of plant species grown on arable land **93 varieties**, 1 variety candidate more than **3,084 livestock**.

The production activities of the Research Institute and Demonstration Farm are facilitated by **61 machines** and **612 machine tools**.



The Agrometeorological and Agroecological Monitoring Center of the Debrecen Demonstration Farm and Regional Research Institute has established a continuously operated, high-resolution and high-accuracy automatic monitoring network made up of a monitoring program covering 9 meteorological parameters. In addition, 4 climate base stations and 5 experimental monitoring stations for the measurement of specific agrometeorological parameters began their monitoring program in 2018. The staff of the Agrometeorological and Agroecological Monitoring Center of the Debrecen Demonstration Farm and Regional Research Institute undertook the soil mapping of a 1,153 hectare area.

Within the scope of this project, areas were processed, areas of intervention were delineated, and factors related to soil science were examined, involving the newest generation of VERIS U3 contact electrode platform. In the Inter-institutional Biotechnology Research Group established with the participation of the Karcag Research Institute 52 known SNPs were used successfully for mapping the genetic background of the natural immunity of sheep against parasites. The studies confirmed the opportunity for rapid genetic progress in the case of sheep. Using microsatellite procedures, the genetic position of the Hungarian Merino was determined within the international Merino breed.



UNIVERSITY LIFE

Students of the University of Debrecen live and study on **8 campuses**, besides the modern, state-of-the-art buildings, including the grand **Main Building** completed in 1932 at Egyetem (University) Square, one of the most beautiful educational buildings of Central and Eastern Europe. UD has more than **4,900 dorm beds** in its 14 dormitory units. In the past five years, we could provide dormitory accommodation for min. **86%** of applicants, which is outstanding in Hungary. Such capacities are extended further with the seven-year-long **dormitory development project** as part of which **more than 200 new rooms will be built by 2023**. The **7 libraries** of UD are available on **five campuses, with a total reading space of 3,806 m², 917 seats, open for 290 days each year**. Library holdings exceed 6 million volumes adding **37 thousand items** every year. The University's Translation Office

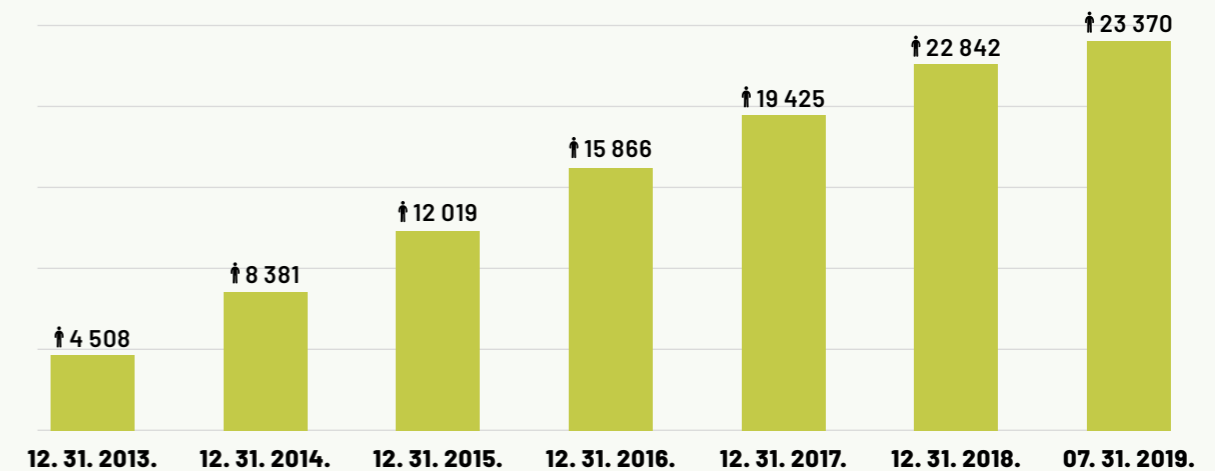
translates **5,000 pages of texts** into **42 different languages** every year. The 2018/19 academic year brought about historical records in terms of media interest and the number of news items published about the university. As a result of organized and unified communication, the institution's press monitoring system registered more than **17,248 press appearances** mentioning the University of Debrecen, an increase of 38% within one year from the previous record of 12,500. In an average year there are **1,000 news items published** on hirek.unideb.hu, the official news website of the university, which has **500,000 visitors** every year. Recently, institutional presence was further strengthened in social media as well. The [unideb_official Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/unideb_official) page started two years ago doubled the number of followers since last year, currently having **3,467 followers**. The institution's **Facebook profile** already has more than **42,855 followers**

representing a 10% increase compared to last year. The university's **own Youtube** channel, with **more than 1,000 videos uploaded**, has had more than **1,450,000 views**. In the university's **own DExam** language exam system **90-92%** of candidates take an intermediate language exam, and the DExam language exam may now be taken nationwide at more than **17 accredited exam sites**.



A RELATIONSHIP FOR A LIFETIME - ALUMNI

UD Alumni Membership, 2013-2019

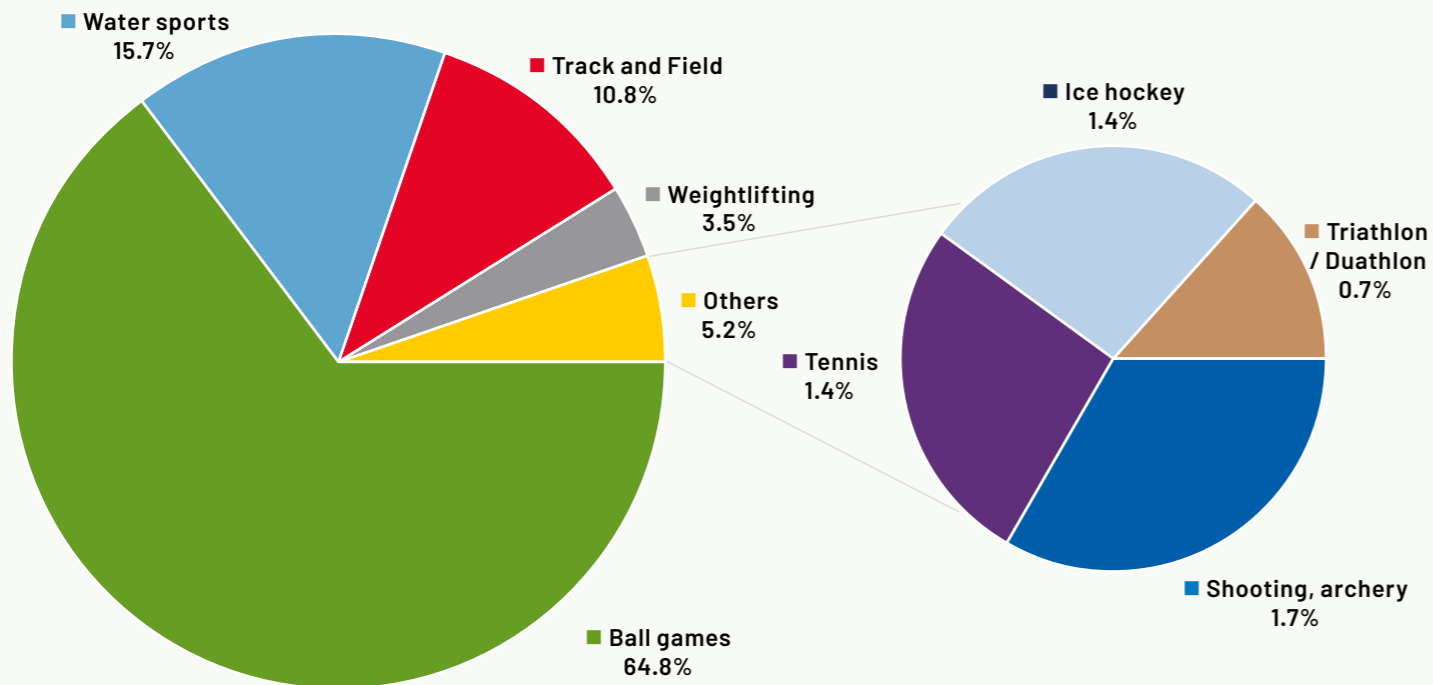


The membership of UD's Alumni Community has been growing dynamically from year to year and as a result the community has become 23,000 people strong since 2011. Those players in the labor market who employ people graduating from the institution in high numbers are especially important for the alumni community. The university established the UD Alumni Award in 2015 to be given to organizations in appreciation of their cooperation with the faculties, research groups of the university in various scholarly and professional activities, while also providing career opportunities for UD graduates. This recognition is an honor both for those giving and those receiving it. In 2019 the UD Alumni Award was given to Tunggram.



SPORT

Distribution of UD Competitive Athletes According to Different Sports, 2019



Physical education: we offer 200 courses a semester, 44 different class types, on 4 campuses for 3,700 Hungarian and 1,400 international students supervised by 26 physical education and sports professionals.

Recreational sports:

- Every semester around 1,300 students can do sports at 25-30 recreational sports events.

- The lifestyle development club was started in the 2017/18 academic year, with 450 student members.

Competitive sports:

- In the 2018/19 academic year, our university was represented by athletes in 27 different types of sports in the Hungarian University and College Championships (winning 7 gold, 9 silver, 10 bronze medals and

gaining the fourth place eight times, fifth place five times, and the sixth place twice).

- This semester, our students participated in the 67th Meeting of Sports Majors in Szeged, competing in 2 sports. Altogether 371 sports majors participated in the event.
- This year, based on the submitted sports scholarship applications, we had 24 athletes on the Hungarian



national team studying at our university. There are altogether 287 students involved in competitive sports.

- In 2018 the Excellent Athlete of the University of Debrecen Award was given to 20 athletes in 13 sports.
- 19 athletes per semester participated in the athletic mentoring program during the 2018/19 academic year.

Facilities:

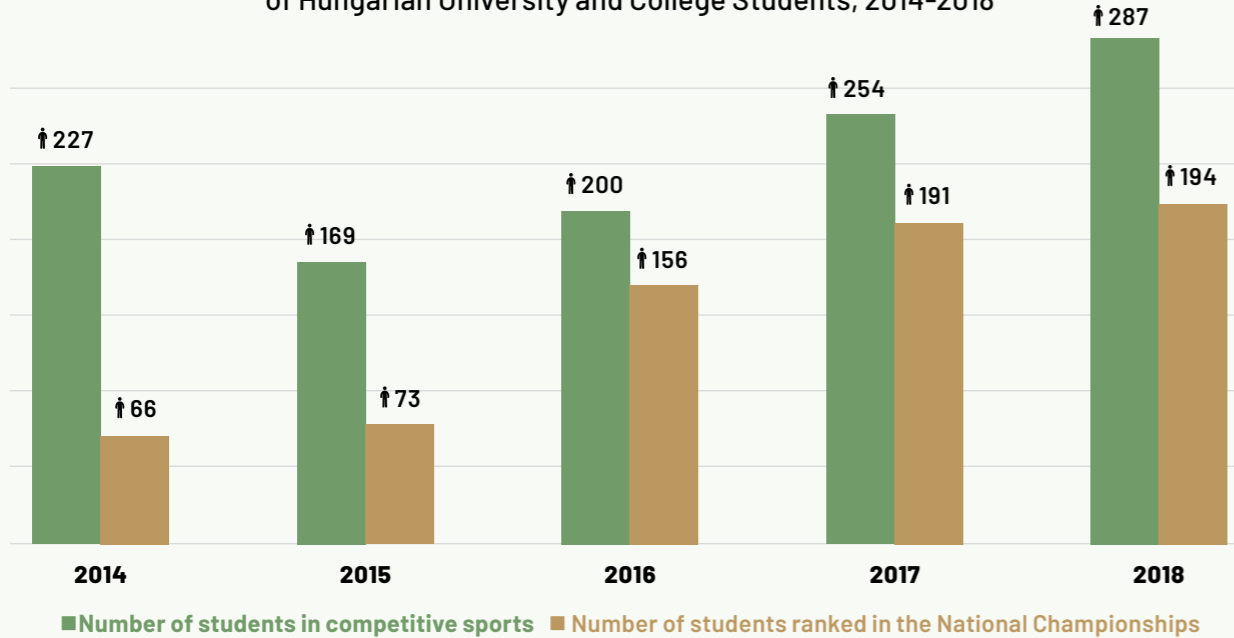
- The **UniFit Fitness & Gym Center** opened in 2017 with a total floor space of **2,600 m²** awaits people interested in sports with 200 training stations.
- In the **table tennis center opened in 2018** professional and amateur athletes, university students, and recreational athletes may play on 15 tables in an area of 700 m².

The Sports Economy, Management, and Tennis Center (built using funds amounting to **HUF 860 million**) was opened at the beginning of the 2019/2020 academic year on the Böszörményi Street Campus of the University of Debrecen. Units of the facility fulfill both sports and educational functions. The building has a useful floor space of 3,748 m² and consists of two units that are also connected to the existing sports hall. The three-story educational section is primarily used by the Faculty of Economics: classrooms, consultation rooms are available in the building, along with the offices of the Sports Economy and Management Department. The tennis area accommodates 2 standard-sized hard courts. Plans have also been made for a tennis school and making the courts available at different time slots for those participating in this sport.

Scholarly and Public Activities:

- Currently there are 7 sports professional grant projects in progress with the participation of 8 certified sports professionals of the university.
- The university's own online sports science journal was launched in 2018, with an editorial board of 18 people covering the entire discipline.
- In 2018 there were 92 students studying in the physical education teacher program started in 2017.
- At present there are 25 students in the István Nyirkos College for Advance Studies in Sports Sciences. For the first time in Hungary, the **University of Debrecen and the University of Miskolc will jointly host the European University Games (EUG) in the summer of 2024.**

Number of Athletic Awards/Medals Won by UD Students in the National Championships of Hungarian University and College Students, 2014-2018



The main pillars of competitive sports at the University of Debrecen are the **Debrecen Athletic Club (DEAC)** founded in 1919 and DASE established in 1907, the latter mostly involved in youth training and recreational sports. The key features of the university in terms of sports are the following: university sports in the first leagues in several sports, more than a thousand enrolled athletes, Olympic and World Champion students, Sports Science Coordination

Institute, Sports Office, and new training programs. More than **1,700 athletes** compete in the traditional black and white of DEAC, which is **the largest university club** in Hungary with **16 divisions**. The club has become a model in Hungary with its unique mentoring program, modern infrastructure set in a beautiful environment, and various new initiatives. Besides the

traditional ballgames, athletes may also try beach soccer, cheerleading or sailing, moreover, the first e-sport division in Hungarian higher education called DEAC-Hackers is also located here. Several club teams compete in the **Hungarian first leagues**, including men's basketball, hockey, futsal, volleyball, beach soccer, and floorball as well as women's tennis—all competing at the highest level.



GRAND UNIVERSITY SHOWS AND EVENTS

yoUday

20,000
spectators

Campus Festival

114,000
visitors

Dolgozói DErbi

5,500
employees

DExpo

5,500
high
school
students



yoUday - "Your Day, the University's Day"

The University of Debrecen made history in 2016 by organizing "yoUday". The event included a stadium show not seen before in the country, proving the strong shared identity of the university community and opening the new academic year.

The two-hour show was a major success for the first time already: the year-opening event that included various show elements, flash mobs, audience activities, and concerts in Nagyerdei Stadium was attended not only by the students, faculty, staff, the alumni community of the university and the students at the teacher-training institutions but there were many participants also

from companies cooperating with the university as partners along with other visitors.

The university parade offers true rarities and attractions every year, including **celebrity performances, a gigantic brass band, a spectacular laser show, and fireworks.**

Campus Festival - The largest festival east of the Danube!

The Campus Festival was recognized among the **best festivals** in 2019 for the second time since 2017 by EFFE, an organization that assesses European festivals. During the four days of the festival, the **most-visited venue** during the day was once more that of the University of Debrecen.

The main values of Campus Festival



include high-quality cultural programs, a balanced quality level, musical diversity, and opportunities and support for young talent. These are among the reasons why the Festival was chosen as a qualified European Festival by the Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe initiative.

In 2019 the event broke all records yet again with **114,000 visitors**. The University of Debrecen and the Festival have been inseparable from the beginning, The University participated in this year's festival with the richest program so far, close to the main entrance, next to UniFit. During the four days of the festival, 30 university units introduced themselves at 18 stands in an area of

1,200 m². Altogether 200 participants (university faculty, students, and volunteers) awaited festival-goers and there were in total 34 productions on the university stage.

Dolgozói DErbi - "For Us, To Us, With Us"

Thousands of people work daily on the campuses of the University of Debrecen, where it would not be possible to ensure seamless operation, maintain the good reputation of the institution without the expertise and devotion of our colleagues. We would like our colleagues to see the University not only as their workplace but a community it feels good to be a part of and where they can gain experience lasting for a lifetime and make long-

term friendships. As part of our drive for being a family-friendly workplace, we are working to provide occasions for our employees outside their working hours where they can relax, recharge, and establish less formal contacts.

In this spirit we organize the annual **Employee Appreciation Fest (DErbi)** with more than **5,500** participants. The goal of the event is not only to provide an opportunity for recreation but to strengthen university identity by means of building relationships between people working in the integrated institution.

DExpo - An All-AroUnD Hit!
DExpo, the largest event of the University of Debrecen for high school and prospective university students,

GRAND UNIVERSITY SHOWS AND EVENTS

has been organized every year since 2006. At the end of November the university opens its gates for two days so that high school students can get acquainted with the programs of the university and get all necessary information needed for their future education through various programs, lectures, and materials provided by the different faculties at their stands. Students have the chance to taste university life, visit lectures, seminars, and get to know the campuses. Besides students, we also offer special programs for parents.

Researchers' Night

For more than ten years now, the University of Debrecen has participated in the yearly program aimed at popularizing scholarly

disciplines. The event is organized on the last Friday of September each year all around Hungary and Europe. One of the key objectives is to provide an opportunity for representatives of different disciplines, instructors and researchers, to present themselves and their work to the public through interesting lectures and spectacular presentations during the night, thus providing a pleasant and enjoyable program for people. The long-term goal is to familiarize visitors with the educational and research activities of the institution, its beauties, and to consider becoming students of the university themselves later on. The programs primarily target people aged 14 to 18, **before making their career choices**, but the number of kindergarten, primary school,

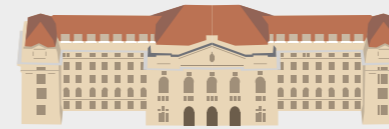
university students as well as adults participating in these programs increases from year to year.

Graduation Ceremonies

One of the most memorable official events at the University of Debrecen is the graduation ceremony. This ceremony where students receive their diplomas is held in the magnificent Main Building, where this event is sometimes organized twice a year by the different faculties. While other higher education institutions limit the number of relatives who can be present at the ceremony, the University of Debrecen helps make this day truly unforgettable by live streaming the event in a hall seating 500 people and also helping families with childcare.



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