

Faculty of Medicine Mission statement 2021

As one of the largest units of the University of Debrecen, the Faculty of Medicine is the site of high-level education and research in medicine and all of its related fields. The Faculty provides high-standard graduate and postgraduate training as well as scientific research in both Hungarian and English.

The Faculty of Medicine at the University of Debrecen (FMUD) has set a goal to become an educational center that meets the requirements of the 21st century and to receive national and international professional recognition for its educational and research activities. To this end, the FMUD is engaged in broadening knowledge in new fields of science. A modern approach imposing new requirements will be put into practice in all fields of tertiary education concerning medical and health sciences.

The FMUD intends to meet the challenges of our era by introducing new programs to develop quality and services in which the following core values are given emphasis:

- *Achieving excellence* in education and research,
- *Treating* issues such as human dignity, being different and interdependence *with due consideration*, and
- *Altruism and responsibility* towards society.

Education: We prepare our students and teachers to obtain a high level of professional knowledge, rigour, and problem-solving skills – features on which the foundations of specialist training and independent medical practice can safely be built. In addition, they should acquire the capacity to understand and respond to changing health-related needs in various social settings.

Research activities are aimed at acquiring up-to-date knowledge concerning the cause, prevention, and treatment of diseases as well as the preservation, improvement, and restoration of health. We intend to achieve and maintain international standards in both basic and clinical research and to create and ensure a basis for innovative research to contribute to the improvement of healthcare provision. We think it is especially important to promote cooperation among the participants in basic and clinical research and the cultivation of interdisciplinary scientific topics.

Serving the community, we want to play a key role in shaping our regional and national health policy. We will do our best to meet the regional needs for a new generation of physicians and graduate healthcare professionals.

Regarding staff development, skills and requirements (including due expertise, humanism, empathy, social sensitivity, collegiality, professionalism, self-determination, critical thinking, and the ability to cooperate and lead) will be improved and strengthened among the lecturers,

colleagues, and students in our institution, as such skills are of fundamental importance when responding to the challenges of medical science education and research in the 21st century.

We plan to implement working conditions and a working style which will significantly contribute to preserving the health of our staff and have a positive effect on our immediate and broader environment.

The employees of FMUD wish to perform their duties to a high standard and, thus, contribute to the development of the healthcare system not only in the region but in the whole of Hungary.

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