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THE UNIVERSITY'S THIR MISSION HEALTH STUD

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Foreword 1

This year we are publishing this booklet for the third time to provide a comprehensive overview of the most important educational and scholarly research achievements of the University of Debrecen as well as 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 hope 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 2016

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 crossborder 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 preschool 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.



### EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOLARLY RESEARCH UNITS

- Faculty of Law (ÁJK)
- Faculty of Medicine (ÁOK)
- Faculty of Arts and Humanities (BTK)
- Faculty of Health (EK)
- Faculty of Dentistry (FOK)
- Faculty of Economics and Business Administration (GTK)
- Faculty of Pharmacy (GYTK)
- Faculty of Childcare and Adult Education (GYFK)
- Faculty of Informatics (IK)
- Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences and Environmental Management (MÉK)
- Faculty of Engineering (MK)
- Faculty of Public Health (NK)
- Faculty of Science and Technology (TTK)
- Faculty of Music (ZK)

### SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

- Office of the Director of Educational Affairs
- Office of the Director of Scholarly Affairs
- Center for Student Relations and Services (HKSZK)
- University of Debrecen University and National Library (DEENK)
- Coordinating Center for International Education (NOKK)
- Coordinating Institute for Sports Sciences (STKI)
- Clinical Center (KK)
- Agricultural Research Institutes and Demonstration Farm (AKIT)
- DExam Language Exam Center
- Coordination Center for Drug Development (GYKK)
- Teacher Training Center (TKK)
- Public Education Institutions, Kindergarten, Nursery
- Institute of Nutrition Sciences

### FUNCTIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS

- Office of the Chancellor
- Independent Internal Audit Department





# **EDUCATION**

Among the institutions of higher education in Hungary, the University of Debrecen has one of the largest student populations with **29,594** people studying at the university.

In the 2016/2017 academic year, the University of Debrecen is the second most popular institution of higher education outside the capital: In the general admissions procedure there were

- 15,309 applications, representing 9.0 % of all applications
- 8,761 first place applications, 9.2 % of all first place applications
- 6.278 admitted students, 10.0% of all students admitted

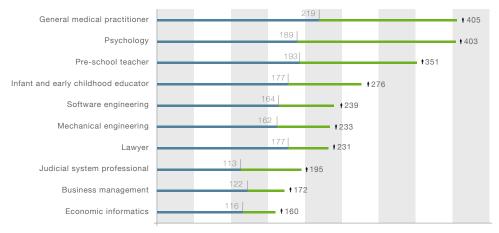
The University of Debrecen is the country's oldest institution of higher education that has been operating continuously in the same city:

- Educational services on 7 campuses
- 14 faculties
- 2 teacher-training secondary schools and elementary schools

Our talent management programs have more than **500** student participants, **129** students were awarded prizes at the 2015 OTDK (National Conference of the Scholarly Students' Association).

### UD offers the widest range of educational programs in Hungary:

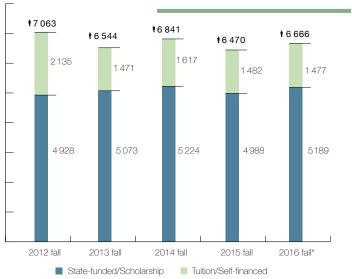
- Students may choose from close to 21,000 courses offered,
- with an average of 295,000 course registrations every semester
- in **82** Bachelor's programs
- 91 Master's programs
- 8 undivided, one-tier programs
- 74 postgraduate specialist courses.
- The university offers 14 higher level vocational training programs
- and 40 foreign language programs



The Most Popular UD Majors Based on First-Choice Applications, 2016/2017

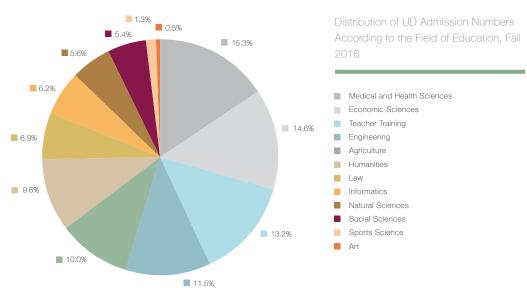
Admitted
 Number of first-choice applications

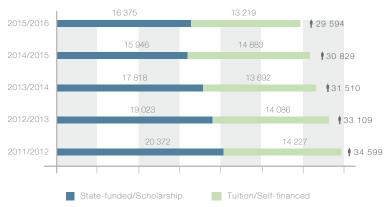




 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Data from the fall of 2016, including both the general admissions procedure and the second round of admissions.



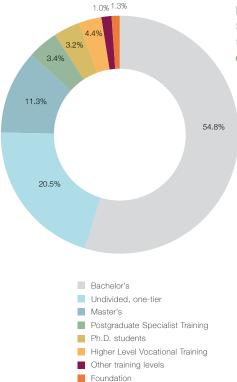




UD Student Numbers
According to Type of Funding,
2011–2015

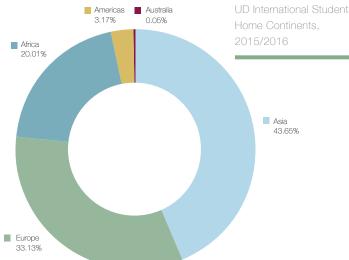


Distribution of UD Active Student Numbers According to Program Level, 2015/2016









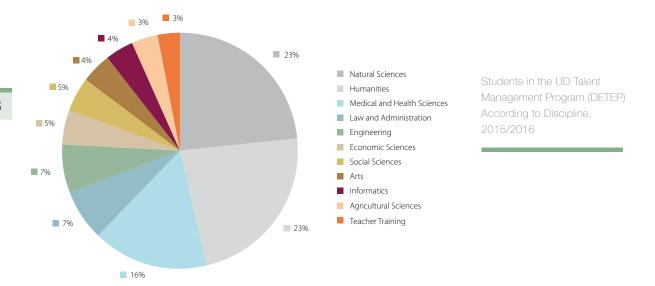




• Percentage of international students in the total no. of students

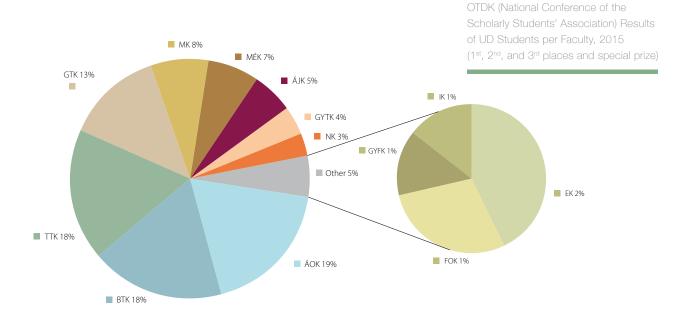


# Who We Are Proud of: Our Most Talented Students











### Ágnes Báthori

Faculty of Medicine

As a medical student in the final year of her studies, her main field of research is diabetes and her research work focuses on the drug therapy of type-2 diabetes. She won second place with her teammates in the 2016 TDK (Students' Scholarly Circle) Conference with a presentation on the 4 phenotypes of PCOS, a comparative analysis of the clinical and laboratory data of control cases, as well as an exploration of the possible etiological background of the PCOS phenotypes. One of her main objectives is to play an active role not only in the drug therapy of diabetes but also in its primary preventive therapy. An active member of the University's talent management program (DETEP) she is also an enthusiastic volunteer at events organized by the university.

#### Gábor Bellér

Faculty of Science and Technology

He was admitted to the university as a chemistry major in 2005, then received the Scholarship of the Republic of Hungary for four consecutive years. In 2008 he was awarded the scholarship of the Public Foundation for Talented Young People in Debrecen, then in 2016 he earned his Ph.D. degree with the Republic of Hungary's ring of excellence awarded to him. At present, he teaches at the University of Debrecen's Department of Inorganic and Analytical Chemistry. Besides his scholarly interests, he is a successful tennis player winning several tennis tournaments as a student participating in the National Championship of Hungarian Universities and Colleges. Currently

he is a key player on the university athletic club, DEAC's team.



### Júlia Hanesz

Faculty of Economics

She is a young student at the Faculty of Economics, who won first prize in the essay competition of the European Commission Representation in Hungary. In her essay she studied the field of education, focusing on early school leaving, segregation, and the possible connections between vocational training and the world of work and schools. As an enthusiastic student, she is the Vice-President of the University of Debrecen's Scholarly Workshop in Economics (DEX), a member of her church and an active athlete. Her dream is to establish a foundation school in her hometown Kassa (Kosice).



### József Horváth

### Doctoral Student in Biology

As a young Roma talent he won the *Aranypánt* Award and the Alexandra Gergely Memorial Award graduating as a biologist, then after getting his Master' degree, he has been employed by the Institute of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. His main field of interest focuses on biomarker research which could lead to the early diagnosis of oral cancer from saliva samples.



### József Dénes Molnár

Faculty of Pharmacy

The recently graduated pharmacist received the PREZI Award and was

himself an active member of the university talent management program (DETEP). He belongs to and represents the team that has created Beyond the Tare: Safe Medication program. Their mission is to call the attention of younger people to the responsible use of medication

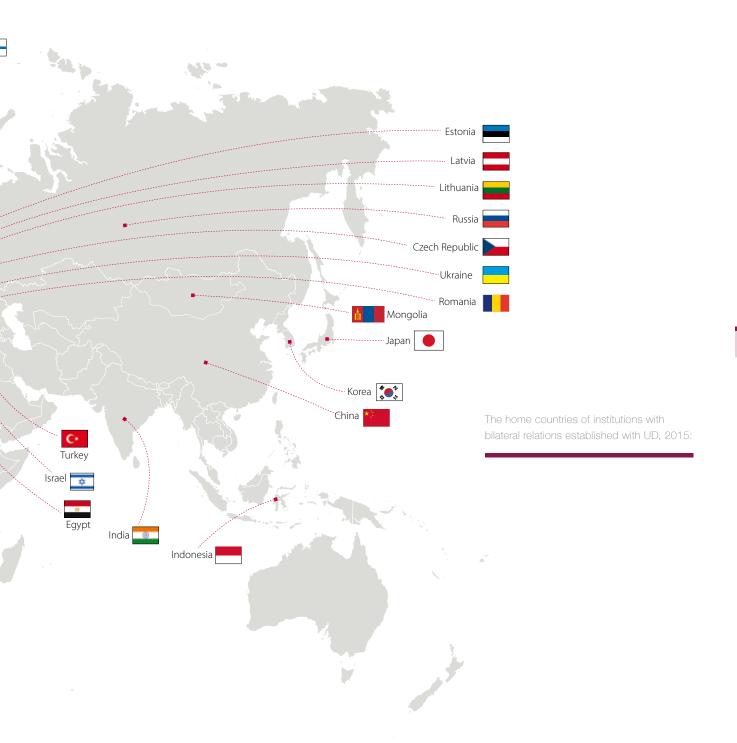
and the different ways for avoiding diseases. Their future plans include the development of a similar program for nutritional supplements.



## Gábor Varga

#### Faculty of Medicine

He represents the university on many occasions and in several different ways. He regularly participates in university events as the person holding the *gerundium*, the symbol of the university. He helps incoming Erasmus students as an active member of ESN and as a talented student he participates in the DETEP program. As its student president, he plays an active role in the Sántha College for Advanced Studies. Besides community activities, he has important scholarly achievements as well and has participated in several conferences presenting his research on the different therapeutic options for abdominal compartment syndrome. In his current research, he studies the changes in blood parameters due to the pressure and releasing of blood vessels supplying the peritoneum.







# UD in International Rankings

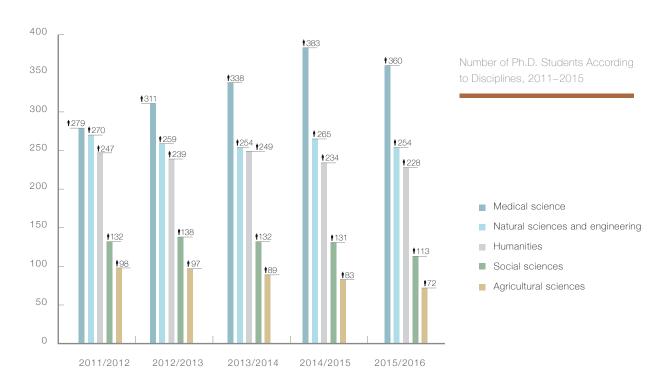
	Ranking	Position in 2014	Position in 2015	Position in 2016	
Leiden	Leiden Ranking	698	681	702	
Webometrics	World Universities' ranking on the web	530	498	591	
ARWU-GRUP	Global Research University Profiles	500+	500+	500+	
URAP	University Ranking by Academic Performance	564	522	550	
CWUR	Center for World University Rankings	673	667	661	
BRICS	BRICS & emerging economies ranking	60	67	150	

# 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:

- 117 Doctors of Science (Hungarian Academy of Sciences),
- 26 Members of the Academy,
- 23 doctoral schools, 25 disciplines, 70 doctoral programs
- **1,027** Ph.D. students
- at UD there are 14 Colleges for Advanced Studies

Between 2011 and 2015 UD won **25 billion HUF** for R&D projects in grant applications, out of which **6,766 million HUF** came from the Research and Technology Innovation Fund. The amount received from our contractual activities (commissioned research) exceeded **8.4 billion HUF**.



When the monarch Charles IV visited Debrecen for the inauguration of the first building of the University of Debrecen, founded in 1912, he conferred the first doctoral degree with a golden ring to Zoltán Nagy, a lawyer, on October 23, 1918.

At the doctoral graduation ceremony held in June 2016, Gábor Bellér, instructor at the Department of Inorganic and Analytical Chemistry and Ph.D. candidate at the Doctoral School of Chemistry, received his Promotio sub auspiciis praesisentis Rei Publicae

doctorate with the approval of the President of Hungary and the golden ring decorated with the coat of arms of Hungary.

In line with the Act on Higher Education, this special recognition is given by the Rector of the university, with the approval of the President of Hungary, to those outstanding students who completed their high school, university, and doctoral studies with excellent results and also received a summa cum laude distinction at their Ph.D. examination and defense.



# Data Related to R&D Activities

Name	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Budgetary support in total (million HUF)	1 285	1 071	1 893	1 094	475
Funds received for R&D tasks (million HUF)	4 214	3 676	5 601	4 896	6 507
From Research and Technology Innovation Fund	1 455	798	1 120	1 436	1 957
National Development Agency	1 816	2 118	3 882	2 949	4 033
EU (funds directly from the EU)	535	467	279	355	183
Income from external commission, contractual activity (million HUF)	1 399	1 380	1 540	1 723	2 366
Number of national R&D tenders	239	212	281	208	161
Number of international R&D tenders	78	67	85	57	75

Within the **Hungarian National Excellence Program** that provides research support for talented students and researchers, **114 UD researchers received** the Award for National Excellence.

With the help of the students at the Faculty of Engineering, the University of Debrecen participated in the Flower Festival with an innovative float. At the heart of the electric drive was a battery developed by the university with a capacity equaling that of two thousand mobile phones. The structure of the vehicle is completely new, includes a patented electric drive, is silent and meets all requirements of environmental protection and the regulations of the festival. According to plans, in the following years all the floats participating in the Debrecen Flower Festival may use this innovative technology of the university and can thus rely entirely on this unique electric drive.





2014: Dr. György Panyi and Dr. Zoltán Varga
Faculty of Medicine
"Production of high affinity and selectivity peptide
blockers of Kv1.3 ion channels"



**2012:** István Bartha et al.

Faculty of Engineering
"Frequency inverter controlled AC drive for electric
vehicles"



### Innovation Award Winners of the Last 5 Years

2015: Dr. Sándor Sipka, et al.

Clinical Center

"Pepsin and trypsin resistant plant extract containing histaminase and a method for its production"



2013: Dr. József Posta

Faculty of Science and Technology

"Development of a method and apparatus suitable for the monitoring of thermal processes based on a new principle"



2011: Dr. József Prokisch

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences and Environmental Management

"Production of nano-sized elemental selenium with probiotic lactic acid bacteria for use in animal feed and the food industry"

# FINANCIAL DATA, MANAGEMENT

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

In 2015 the balance sheet total of the university was **104 billion HUF**, **104,780 million HUF** revenue and **88,623 million HUF** expenses were accounted.

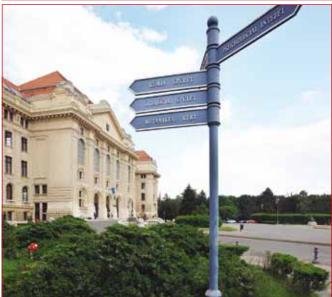
The University of Debrecen received **18,051 million HUF** state funding without student allowances and **23,812 million HUF** was paid into the state budget in the form of taxes and contributions.

Its own revenue exceeded **19 billion HUF**, the amount of received financial assets was **48 billion HUF**, out of which the amount of OEP (National Health Insurance Fund) reimbursement was more than **31.713 billion HUF**.

Companies with 100% ownership total 6, with 236 million HUF worth of total UD shares in the companies.

The Pharma-Flight International Scientific and Service Center, completed in record time with EU funding and opened in 2015, is a center of international significance as there is no other place where the physiological effects of flying can be studied in such complexity. The investment project worth 5 billion HUF integrates university-level pilot training uniquely with laboratory research catering to special health needs and the functions of small-scale pharmaceutical manufacturing.

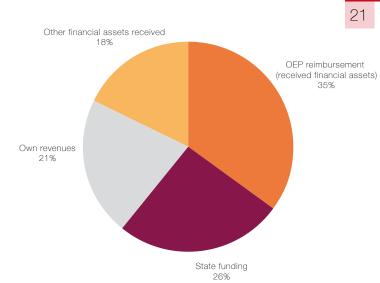








## Composition of UD Revenues for 2015



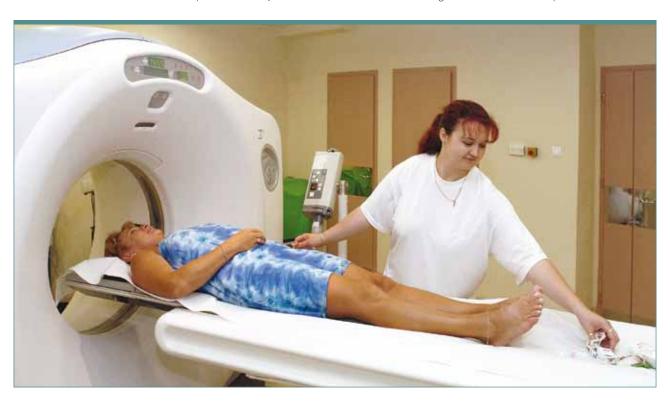
# HEALTH

The Clinical Center of the University of Debrecen Teaching Hospital helps restore the health of one and a half million patients every year under good conditions and using the most up-to-date procedures.

### In 2015 the

- OEP (National Health Insurance Fund) reimbursement received by UD was 31.7 billion HUF.
- The authorized number of beds was 1,704,
- the average time of care 5.1 days,
- the number of specialist doctors was 525
- and the number of health care professionals 1,854.

- The number of completed nursing days was 500,248
- and the completed specialist doctor's hours was 297,804.
- The number of medical procedures exceeded 5.8 million cases.
- more than half of these were laboratory and 47% outpatient.
- Inpatient cases: 98,028,
- Outpatient cases: 880,190,
- Laboratory cases: 527,404.
- The number of special procedures:
  - Brain gamma surgery: 415,
  - Kidney transplants: 57,
  - Adult autologous bone marrow transplant: 61.



The University of Debrecen, as a higher education institution providing educational programs in medical and health sciences, established a Clinical Center for the coordination of patient care that acts as a healthcare provider operating as an organizational unit within the university.

The Clinical Center provides patient care with more than 1,700 beds, 130 clinics, and 49 diagnostic centers. The diversity of care provided is clearly indicated by the fact that specialized healthcare services are offered in close to 60 medical areas and in the case of outpatient care and diagnostics in almost 80 different areas.

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

In terms of specialized outpatient care, on the third level of the

Hungarian healthcare hierarchy the obligation to provide care includes Hajdú-Bihar, Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok, and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg counties, overall approximately 1.5 million people. In certain branches of medicine this is even more extensive and the population for which care has to be provided exceeds 2 million. The Clinical Center is continuously improving its available capacities and extending the scope of medical fields providing care. Simultaneously with the development of medicine, the Clinical Center expands the scope of its activities by introducing new procedures; thus, from 2016 procedures have become available that are rarely provided in Hungary, including adult allogeneic bone marrow transplantation and transcatheter aortic valve replacement.





# 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 1,735 hectares of land employed for research and production.
- 1,512 hectares are used for cultivation of crops on arable land.
- Revenue related to production reached 360 million HUF in 2015
- 43 types of plant species grown on arable land,
- 91 varieties, 7 variety candidates,
- more than 2,709 livestock.
- The production activities of the Research Institute and Demonstration Farm are facilitated by 52 machines and 609 machine tools.

The Agricultural Research Institute and Demonstration Farm (AKIT) of the University of Debrecen, and its legal predecessors, have played a central role in Hungarian higher education for 140 years in the fields of agricultural sciences and economics.

Its primary task, besides research, is to provide high-quality practical education. In 2015 close to **600 students** completed their weekly or semester practical training, which represents an increase of almost 200 in recent years.



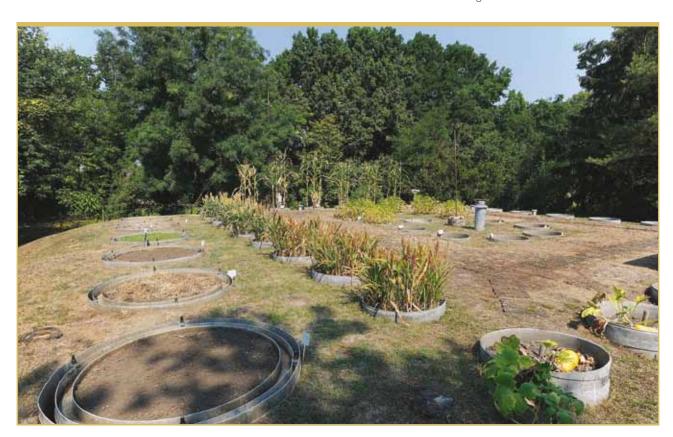




Through various grants in the last two years, the Agricultural Research Institute and Demonstration Farm has been awarded 500-600 million HUF to implement projects in consortium with various companies and businesses. Besides funding provided by grants and tenders, scholarly projects financed by research contracts are also conducted continuously in the fields of crop production, plant breeding, horticulture and animal husbandry. The AGR\_PIAC projects that incorporate research in the fields of food sciences and plant breeding, are outstanding. AKIT cooperates with several Hungarian and international partners, including higher education institutions, research institutions, large as well as small and medium-sized businesses.

The research activities of the Agricultural Research Institute and Demonstration Farm also contributed to the University of Debrecen being included in the top 200 institutions in the Quacquarelli Symonds World University Rankings in the field of agriculture.

At the 25th anniversary of Farmer-Expo, the National Chamber of Agricultural Economics awarded a special prize to the Research Institute in Karcag for its innovative scholarly output, which provided research that can be utilized in practice by farmers. In 2015 one of the researchers was awarded the National Excellence Award by the Zoltán Magyary Board. One of our colleagues finished third in the Scholarly Student Circle category of the scholarship program of K&H Bank for sustainable agriculture.



# UNIVERSITY LIFE

Students of the University of Debrecen live and study on **7 campuses,** including the grand **Main Building** completed in 1932 at Egyetem (University) Square, one of the most beautiful educational buildings of Central Europe.

UD has 4,800 dorm beds. In 2015 we could provide dormitory accommodation for **86.00% of applicants.** 

The **7 libraries** of UD are available on five campuses, with a total reading space of  $3,806 \, m^2, 917 \, \text{seats}$ , open for  $290 \, \text{days}$  each year. Library holdings exceed **6 million volumes** adding  $37,000 \, \text{items}$  every year.

The University's Translation Office translates **5,000 pages** of texts into **42** different languages every year.

In an average year there are more than **600 news** items published on **unideb.hu**, the official website of the university.

The institution's Facebook profile, managed together with students, already has 33,000 followers and is the most popular among Hungarian institutions of higher education while the university's own Youtube channel, with more than 500 videos uploaded, has had more than 430,000 visitors.

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 **16** accredited exam sites.

More than **4,600** people participated in the **Employee Appreciation Fest (DErbi)** organized for the first time in 2016. The goal of the event was 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.



The Students' Union of the University of Debrecen created a **bicycle rental system** in 2016 that is unique in Hungary and available on different campuses of the university. Altogether, there are **90 university bikes with GPS tracking** available for students, staff, and faculty, to help them get from one university site equipped with such bicycle stands to the other quickly and in an environmentally-friendly way. These sites include the main campus, the campuses on Kassai and Böszörményi Street, and the Auguszta site.



Our oldest alumnus will turn 103 in December 2016.

The university established the **Alumni Award** in 2015 to be awarded to companies in the business sphere, which greatly contribute to the improvement of scholarly and professional work by means of support and scholarship programs, provide not only work but also career opportunities for UD graduates. The University of Debrecen recognized the key role of **Teva Pharmaceutical Plant in 2015** and that of **IT Services Hungary Kft. in 2016**, which includes both their scholarship programs for students and their management of internship programs.

### UD Alumni Membership, 2013-2016





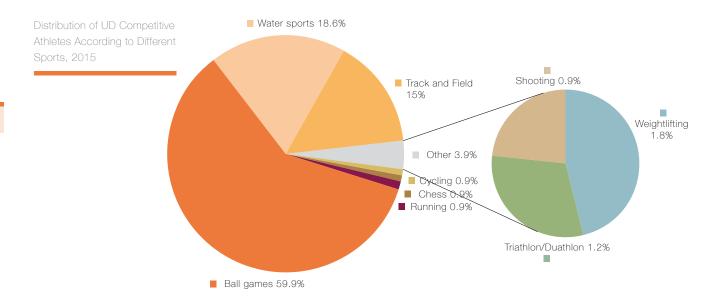
# Sport

Olympians from the University of Debrecen proved their talent in the 10 km swimming competition during the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio. Outstanding swimmers Éva Risztov and Márk Papp, students of the Faculty of Economics majoring in sports management, competed in open water swimming as members of the national swimming team. This was Éva Risztov's fourth Olympics, she finished 13th and she said goodbye not only to Rio but also her professional swimming career. Márk Papp, the 22-year-old athlete competed in the men's 10 km open water swimming event and also finished in the 13th position.

The **Sports Science Education Center** of the University of Debrecen was the largest university investment project in 2015. The sports facility with an area of  $4,200 \, \text{m}^2$  was built in record

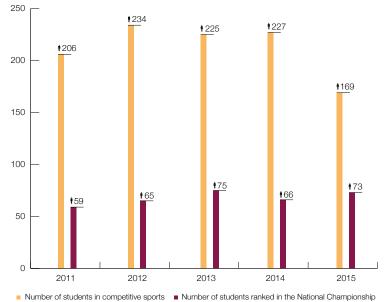


time, in **seven months.** The **three-story** building houses a 1,166 m<sup>2</sup> court, a 679 m<sup>2</sup> gymnastics hall, a smaller gym, as well as teachers' offices, changing rooms, medical rooms and various other smaller facilities. Fans may support athletes from a grand-stand accommodating **400 people.** 



Number of Athletic Awards/Medals Won by UD Students in the National Championships of Hungarian University and College Students 2011–2015







# THE UNIVERSITY'S THIRD MISSION

The traditional functions and missions of universities that focus on teaching and research have recently been transformed and extended significantly. Due to the increasing number and variety of those using the activities and services offered by universities and the growing appreciation and value of knowledge in terms of competitiveness and social/business success, it has become necessary to extend the traditional core activities of higher education institutions.

Besides providing service in the fields of education, research, healthcare, prevention, and agriculture, the university is also devoted to strengthening connections with the social and business spheres, and to meeting its obligations represented by the third mission of higher education in the form of science promotion as well as culture and sports.

Another key objective of the university involves extending its sports, physical education, and health promotion programs to residents of the city and region, as the university's sports events, the opportunities to participate in sports, and the sports and recreational facilities promote regular exercise and physical activity that involve not only the institution but also the larger society.

The screening programs organized by the various departments of the Clinical Center of the University of Debrecen Teaching Hospital call attention to the significance of health promotion and disease prevention, and emphasize each year that health requires daily attention. Exactly for this reason, such activities have moved to different, more informal sites than a clinic and offer assistance to those interested by providing advice and guidance. Such programs include dental screening programs organized by the Faculty of

Dentistry, a series of events organized as part of World Heart Day by the Cardiology Department of the Clinical Center and the Outpatient Clinic of Kenézy Hospital, and the various programs at the Natural Expo health exhibition, where hundreds of people participate in the screening programs and consultations provided by specialists.

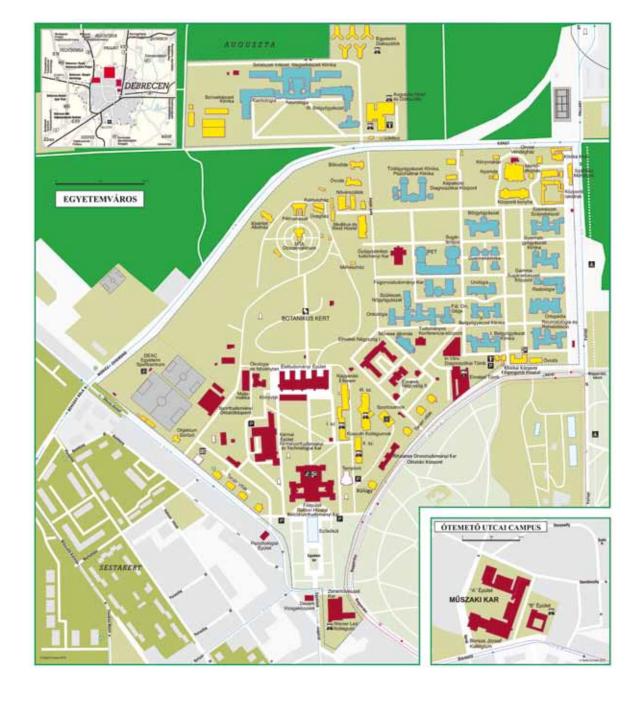
As part of its third mission, the university has achieved a central position in the fields of culture and sports, which is clearly indicated by the fact that the services, collaboration projects, and knowledge have become available not only to members of the university community but also to residents of the city and county. This outreach has played a key role in making the institution more popular. The Campus Festival, celebrating its jubilee in 2017, is an outstanding program in this regard. It may be called the smart festival of the country as there is no other festival in Hungary, which has such a strong link with a higher education institution. In 2016 **98 thousand** people visited the festival, which was a new record. By now, the series of events provide cultural and recreational opportunities not only for the university but also residents of the city and the region. The Campus Festival has thus become a summer event, where with the "University Square" program the University of Debrecen has fully accomplished its third mission.

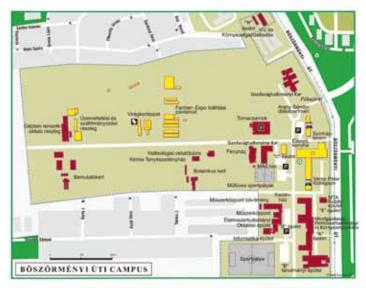
HALL, the new event venue of the University of Debrecen, has also performed well during its first "academic year" in 2015/2016. The newest community space had more than **80,000** guests. The club can accommodate **2,000** people and is the largest indoor entertainment venue in the country. Since its opening in September, HALL has provided a venue for **44 events, with 37 musical performances** among them, including **18** Campus Parties.

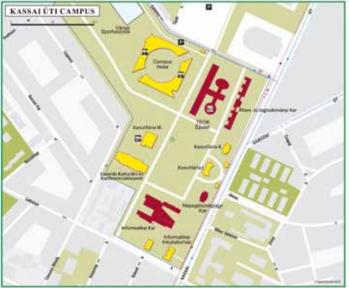














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