University of Zurich

Founded in 1833
The University of Zurich (UZH) is Switzerland’s largest university. With a current enrollment of 25,542 students and over 100 subject areas on offer, it boasts the most comprehensive academic program in the country.

Studying at UZH
The University’s seven faculties offer a wide variety of Bachelor’s, Master’s, and PhD programs. 4,870 academic staff (including 661 professors) research and teach at the University’s 130 institutes.

Research-Based Teaching
Research and teaching are the University’s core focus, with both being essential to the ongoing development of UZH as a place of education and scholarship.

Member of LERU
As a member of the League of European Research Universities (LERU), UZH is one of Europe’s most prestigious research institutions.

Excellence in Medicine
The proximity between medical research and the clinical services provided in the University’s four hospitals translates into first-rate medical care for the general population.
Twelve Nobel Prizes
The University's international standing is reflected in the many distinctions awarded to its members over the years, including 12 Nobel Prizes.

Outreach
UZH's academic excellence brings benefits to both the public and the private sectors, not only in the Canton of Zurich, but throughout the whole of Switzerland. UZH shares the findings of its cutting-edge research via its public museums, libraries, and lecture series.

Joint Ventures
Through its spin-off ventures and partner companies, UZH promotes the transfer of research-based knowledge into private enterprise while generating attractive employment opportunities in innovative fields.

Continuing Education
UZH's continuing education programs integrate the latest research developments, thus guaranteeing highly efficient knowledge transfer between higher education institutions and practitioners.

Collaboration
The University of Zurich engages in close scholarly collaboration with ETH Zurich in a variety of disciplines.
Interdisciplinary Research Networks

National Centers of Competence in Research
Our research priority programs are high-level, long-term research projects that cultivate interdisciplinary approaches and innovation within the disciplines involved. The University of Zurich is the Leading House for the following three National Centers of Competence in Research (NCCR):

- NCCR Democracy
- NCCR Kidney.ch
- NCCR Mediality

University Research Priority Programs
In order to maintain its standing at the forefront of international research and scholarship, UZH has initiated a broad range of University Research Priority Programs (URPP). These programs aim to strengthen and bring together selected academic fields within the university while promoting highly qualified young scholars. Current URPP at UZH are:

- Asia and Europe
- Dynamics of Healthy Aging
- Evolution in Action: From Genomes to Ecosystems
- Financial Market Regulation
- Global Change and Biodiversity
- Social Networks
– Language and Space
– Translational Cancer Research
– Solar Light to Chemical Energy Conversion

Faculty Research Priority Programs
The seven faculties at the University of Zurich house a variety of research priority programs. These interdisciplinary and interfaculty programs build on UZH’s excellent research competencies, enhance collaborative opportunities, and foster the development of highly qualified junior researchers. The Faculty of Medicine has also defined Clinical Research Priority Programs that are carried out in cooperation with the University’s hospitals.

UZH Digital Society Initiative (DSI)
Digital technology is fundamentally changing both the world of academia and society, bringing challenges to existing paradigms and calling for new skills, while inspiring novel approaches to teaching and research. Academia and society are called on to reflect critically on these processes and to develop new solutions. The UZH Digital Society Initiative (DSI) provides an academic platform to achieve these goals.
UZH in Figures
Overall Numbers in 2016

Switzerland’s Largest University

25 542
Students

130
Institutes and Clinics

Top University
The excellence of UZH is mirrored in the rankings: UZH numbers among the world’s best 100 universities.
UZH in Figures
Studies and Innovation in 2016

Most Popular Study Programs in 2016

- Law
- Human Medicine
- Psychology
- Business Administration
- Biology

Most Popular Minor Subjects in 2016

- Business Administration
- Political Science
- Law
- Finance
- Education Studies

Innovative UZH
Results from the past five years:
Graduates 2016

**5 709**
Total

**2 495**
Bachelor’s Degrees

**2 007**
Master’s Degrees

**643**
Doctorates

**564**
Other

**30**
Spin-off companies founded

**167**
Patent applications

**182**
Licenses and options granted
Teaching Staff

Seven faculties at UZH offer a wide variety of Bachelor’s, Master’s, and PhD programs. The teaching and research staff at UZH is made up of:

4 870 Instructors
including 661 Professors
UZH in Figures
Staff in 2016

Staff 2011 – 2016

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Vollzeitäquivalente (VZÄ)

Full-time equivalents (FTE)

Professors
Non-Professorial Academic Staff
Administrative and Technical Staff
UZH in Figures
International

International UZH

Few other higher education institutions have such a strong global outlook as UZH, which also numbers among the best research universities in the world. Percentages of foreign staff and students:

- Professors: 56%
- All Instructors: 40%

Network UZH

UZH has research, teaching, and student exchange agreements with over 1,500 institutions in 100 countries. The number of the national and international cooperation agreements has increased from 1,231 in 2005 to 5,075 in 2015.
The UZH community has members from over 100 different countries. In the THE World University Rankings, UZH is number 15 in the category of global outlook.
UZH in Figures
Finances in 2016

Total Income
In 2016, UZH registered a total income of:

1,361 CHF m

Project Funding / Third-Party Funds (in CHF millions)

2010

202 CHF m

100 from federal organizations in Switzerland (e.g. Swiss National Science Foundation)
21 from abroad
81 from the private sector and private individuals
Economic Benefits

According to a LERU study, UZH generated CHF 4.9 billion of added value and 41,500 jobs.

2016

293

CHF m

163
from federal organizations in Switzerland (e.g. Swiss National Science Foundation)

26
from abroad

104
from the private sector and private individuals
Governance of the University of Zurich
Status: February 2017

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Organization Chart of the University of Zurich

Status: February 2017
UZH Campuses

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Rämistrasse 71
8006 Zurich

Irchel Campus
Winterthurerstrasse 190
8057 Zurich

Oerlikon Campus
Affolternstrasse 56
Andreasstrasse 15
Binzmühlestrasse 14
8050 Zurich

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8008 Zurich

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