University of Zurich

Founded in 1833
The University of Zurich (UZH) was founded in 1833. With a current enrollment of over 25,800 students, UZH is now the largest university in Switzerland, and with around 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. Around 6,000 academic staff (including 685 professors) research and teach in around 140 departments and clinics.

Research-Based Teaching
As a research university, teaching at UZH is inspiring and research-based, and junior researchers are encouraged and supported in their careers.

Innovation
Through its spin-off ventures and partnerships, UZH encourages the transfer of knowledge into private enterprise, generating attractive employment opportunities in innovative fields.

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 renowned academic distinctions conferred upon its members over the years, including 12 Nobel Prizes, one of which went to Albert Einstein.

Among the World’s Best
UZH’s excellent reputation as a research institution is mirrored in the global rankings. In the 2018 Shanghai Ranking UZH was ranked 54th in the world.

Public Outreach
All those with a thirst for knowledge are welcome at UZH. The University’s museums, libraries and a variety of events and lectures are free and open to the public.

Continuing Education
UZH’s continuing education programs ensure knowledge is shared between academia and practitioners.
Interdisciplinary Research Networks

UZH Digital Society Initiative (DSI)
Digitalization 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. It is the task of all of the academic disciplines and of society as a whole to reflect critically on these challenges and to take a proactive approach to shaping the future. The UZH Digital Society Initiative (DSI) provides an academic platform to achieve these goals.
→ www.dsi.uzh.ch/en

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:

– Dynamics of Healthy Aging
– Evolution in Action: From Genomes to Ecosystems
– Financial Market Regulation

National Centers of Competence in Research
The Centers of Competence in Research are high-quality long-term research projects that cultivate interdisciplinary approaches and innovation across different areas. The University of Zurich is the leading house for the National Center of Competence in Research (NCCR) Kidney.ch.

Faculty Research Priority Programs
The seven faculties at the University of Zurich have a variety of Research Priority Programs. These interdisciplinary and cross-faculty 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.
→ www.uzh.ch/en/research/priorityprograms

– Global Change and Biodiversity
– Social Networks
– Language and Space
– Translational Cancer Research
– Solar Light to Chemical Energy Conversion
Students in 2018

Student Numbers by Faculty and Level

- **Faculty of Theology**: 350 students
  - B: 110 students
  - M: 240 students
  - D: 0 students
- **Faculty of Law**: 3,375 students
  - B: 1,300 students
  - M: 1,000 students
  - D: 0 students
- **Faculty of Business, Economics and Informatics**: 3,473 students
  - B: 1,300 students
  - M: 1,000 students
  - D: 0 students
- **Faculty of Medicine**: 3,613 students
  - B: 1,000 students
  - M: 1,000 students
  - D: 0 students
- **Vetsuisse Faculty**: 711 students
  - B: 200 students
  - M: 100 students
  - D: 0 students
- **Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences**: 9,898 students
  - B: 2,000 students
  - M: 2,000 students
  - T: 2,000 students
  - D: 0 students
- **Faculty of Science**: 4,407 students
  - B: 1,300 students
  - M: 1,000 students
  - D: 0 students

Total:
- **Women**: 14,903
- **Men**: 10,924

Bachelor
Master
Teaching Diploma
Doctorate
UZH in Figures
Students in 2018

Five Most Popular Major Subjects

- Law: 3,375
- Human Medicine: 3,118
- Psychology: 2,300
- Business Administration: 1,101
- Biology: 972

Five Most Popular Minor Subjects

- Business Administration: 1,054
- Finance: 822
- Informatics: 767
- Law: 519
- Political Science: 515

Degrees Awarded Fall Semester 2018

- Bachelor: 5,712
  - Faculty of Theology: 2,333
  - Faculty of Law: 2,017
  - Faculty of Business, Economics and Informatics: 752

- Master: 
- PhD: 

In addition:
- Advanced Federal Diploma: 304 (Med.), 49 (Vet.)
- Teaching Diploma: 250 (Arts)
- Other: 7 (Arts)
UZH in Figures
International UZH

Student Mobility

![Graph showing student mobility]

Nationality

![Bar chart showing nationality]

Exchange Students (In and Out) FS 2018

- Exchange program outside of Europe: 23%
- Exchange program within Europe: 54%
- Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships: 5%
- CH-Unimobil: 12%
- Double doctorate: 3%
- Visiting study program: 3%

From Switzerland: 80%
From abroad: 20%

- Students: 57%
- PhD candidates enrolled: 43%
- Non-professorial academic staff: 46%
- Professors: 44%

- By nationality:
  - From Switzerland: 56%
  - From abroad: 54%
Since 2017, UZH has also been a member of Universitas 21, a global network of 27 research universities from all over the world which aims to encourage international research collaboration and the exchange of knowledge.

UZH has been a member of the League of European Research Universities (LERU) since 2006. LERU is a network of 23 research-intensive universities from 12 different European countries.

As part of UZH’s internationalization strategy, strategic partnerships are formed to foster collaboration in research and teaching and exchange of best practice at the operational level.
UZH in Figures
Innovation in 2018

Spin-Offs

126 spin-off companies (cumulative)

- 89% survival rate since founding
- 94% survival rate after five years
- 9% abroad
- 20% Switzerland (excl. Zurich)
- 71% Canton of Zurich

Locations

ERC Funding in 2018

20.9 million

Total in Euros

- 2.5 m Advanced Grants
- 9.4 m Consolidator Grants
- 0.2 m Proof of Concept
- 4.0 m Starting Grants
- 4.8 m ERC Synergy Grants

Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) Funding 2013–2018

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Number of grants:
- operational, independent
- sold, active business
- ceased

Total amount granted:
- in Euros
- in million
UZH in Figures
Income Statement 2018

1.42 billion CHF
(total income)

Expenditure

883 m (62%)
staff costs

544 m (38%)
other operating expenses

3 m
financial expenditure

Income

306 m (21%)
other basic funding and operational funds

315 m (22%)
project funding

180 m (13%)
services and other operating income

8 m (1%)
financial yield

611 m (43%)
Canton of Zurich

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Third-Party Funding

315 m CHF
(total)

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

26 m
from abroad (EU and other international research programs)

121 m
from the private sector and individuals

Development of Income Structure

Other
Private sector
Abroad
Swiss federal organizations

Governance Structure of the University of Zurich

February 2019

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Organization Chart of the University of Zurich

February 2019

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City Campus
Rämistrasse 71
8006 Zurich

Irchel Campus
Winterthurerstrasse 190
8057 Zurich

Oerlikon Campus
Affolternstrasse 56
Andreasstrasse 15
Binzmühlestrasse 14
8050 Zurich

Lengg Campus
Lengghalde 5
8008 Zurich

Schlieren Campus
Wagistrasse 12 and 14
8952 Schlieren

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