We learn and share our knowledge

To study and strive for an education is a matter of prestige and necessity in Ukraine. Perhaps this is why the number of people with a higher education in Ukraine per capita exceeds the European average. More than 90 percent of Ukrainian citizens have either a secondary or higher education.

The country continues its cooperation with the European Union within the framework of the Trans-European Mobility Partnership Scheme for University Studies (TEMPUS/TACIS).

Now Ukraine is expected to represent a national qualifications framework adapted to the European model. In addition, the list of areas of expertise and specializations for bachelors and masters is also being brought into compliance with international practice.

From the history of V.N. Karazin University

V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University with its over 200-year history is a leading Research and Educational Institution in Ukraine. The University is one of the oldest universities in Eastern Europe. It was founded in November 1804. The University has given a powerful impetus to the emergence of Kharkiv as a major scientific and cultural center and an
academic hub of Ukraine. Today the University justly rates among the best Ukrainian classical universities and is known in many countries.

**International Students**

Kharkiv University started training international students in 1948. Since then the School for International Students Training has graduated about 5,000 students from Europe, Asia, and America. The University offers bachelor’s, master’s, candidate’s, and doctor’s degrees programs. Over 700 instructors and researchers from various countries have taken re-training courses at the University.

Since the last 10 years 60 candidate’s degrees have been conferred, 13 of which were conferred by international students. The total University enrollment, including the students of the Center for Training International Students and the Center for Professional Education, amounts to about 12,500 students. Annually the University holds more than 150 international and national conferences on research and teaching methods.

Kharkiv National University offers 115 majors and minors, covering the whole scope of modern classical university education.

The University is one of the largest research centers in Ukraine. It covers virtually all spheres of modern fundamental research and incorporates the Research Institutes of Chemistry, Biology, and Astronomy, the Institute of Physics and Engineering, and the Institute of High Technologies.

**The most popular majors are:**

- «Medical Faculty»
- «Masters in Applied Economics»
- «Masters in Computer Science»
- «Premed course» (round the year)

and many other faculties in Russian language

**Up to date**

Today the University has 21 Schools and 125 Departments which provide training for specialists in 61 majors. The University also comprises 3 Research Institutes (of Astronomy, Biology and Chemistry), Central Scientific Library with over 3.5 million books in
its stocks, Botanical Garden, University History Museum, Museum of Natural History, Museum of Archeology and Ethnography, University Schools, International Students Center Training.

Since 1808 the University has had its own Astronomical Observatory which is one of the leading astronomical centers of Ukraine involved in fundamental and applied research in the Physics of the Sun, the planets, asteroids, comets and satellites.

The University's Botanical Garden was founded in 1804 and is the oldest botanical garden in Ukraine. It is a state preserve with a unique collection of plants representing various botanical and geographic zones of the world. The University's Central Scientific Library was founded on January 30, 1805. It numbers 3,500,000 units, including 50,000 unique editions (17 incunabula, over 1,000 manuscripts, 300 palaeotypes, and books by classical writers and scholars published in their lifetime).

The University is the leading research organization of international several space programs. Within the framework of international programs the researchers co-operate with scientists from the USA, Canada, Russia, Germany, Turkey, China, Japan, Switzerland, Bulgaria, Great Britain and other countries.

Together with other major European universities, Kharkiv National University signed the Great University Charter that initiated the Bologna Process in 1988. The University is a co-founder of the Eurasian University Association and is a member of the World and the European University Associations education and research framework.

The University boasts its wide international recognition as one of the initiators of signing the Magna Charta Universitatum (Bologna, 1998), being a co-founder of the Eurasian Universities Association, an active participant of International Association of Universities and European University Association, a partner in research and educational cooperation with more than 100 universities and other organizations all over the world.

**Our worldwide partners**

- International University Association
- European Nuclear Education Network
- Magna Charta Observatory of Fundamental University Values and Rights
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