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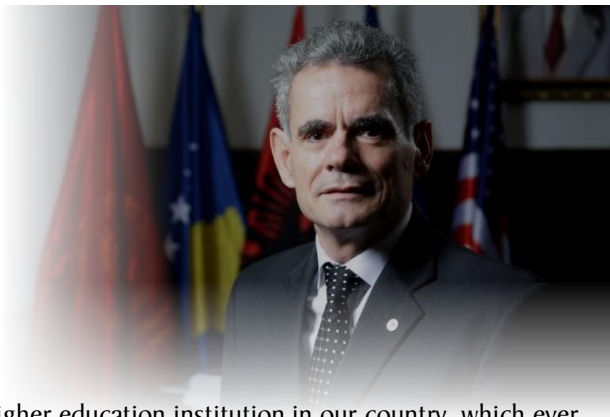


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THE RECTOR'S SPEECH



Dear students,
Dear colleagues,

The University of Prishtina “Hasan Prishtina” is the biggest higher education institution in our country, which ever since its foundation has held the main burden of education and the development of the Kosovar society.

If in the past the University of Prishtina was not only a hearth of knowledge, but also an icon of Kosova’s state-building, now its mission is to offer stable and qualitative education to the new generation, functioning as an asset for the development and the strengthening of the state of Kosova. Currently, the UP is the biggest higher education institution in the Republic of Kosova, with 42.006 students, above 1.000 academic staff members and around 350 administrative staff members, accommodated in 13 Academic Units. 2018 was a successful year for us. This year marked with highlighted letters the highest progress in Webometrics world ranking in the history of our University, being ranked 2668th. It once again re-emphasizes the fact that the UP is the leader institution of higher education anywhere in Albanian-speaking countries. Also, the UP entered the Scimago database ranking this year, being the only Albanian-speaking institution part of this ranking list. During this year, the centers and the offices established in the last half-decade, marked significant successes as well. Innovation, teaching, and internationalization flourished like never before. All this success was achieved based on the founding values of higher education, such as: integrity, equal approach to everyone, accountability, academic freedom, transparency, responsibility, and social responsibility.

My dear students, this yearbook has been created to inform you more about these developments.

I, therefore, suggest for you to browse through it while keeping in mind that this University does not only symbolize the nest of knowledge and education, but also the University of Prishtina represents our national values and student resistance and power. It represents the history of our existence itself. The past and the future of Kosova are closely connected to this institution. Let me assure you that the management of the University of Prishtina is highly devoted to achieving comparable results in the international level on this journey. The UP is also devoted to contributing in the socio-economic development of the Republic of Kosova. Join us in this journey of transforming the higher education and our society!

Yours sincerely,
Prof. Dr. Marjan Dema - Rector

KOSOVA

Kosova is the youngest country with the youngest population in Europe. Kosova is the ninth smallest European country with a surface area of 10.905 km² and it is the 151st country in the world with the population number of around 1,8 million. Kosova's Independence day is the 17th of February, 2008. The median age of Kosovars is 29.6 years old, which is 13.3 years younger than the European Union's population.



PRISHTINA

Prishtina is Kosova's capital and the administrative, economic and cultural center. Prishtina is mentioned as an important center since the Middle Ages, while in 1947 it takes the status of the capital of Kosova. 211,755 Inhabitants live in Prishtina. The main institutions of Kosova are located in Prishtina. Prishtina is home to the University of Prishtina.



Kosova's Identity Card

Name	Republic of Kosova
State holiday	17th of February, Independence Day
Region	South-east Europe
Geographic coordinates	42° 40' N and 21° 9' E
Constitutional regulation	Democratic republic, multiethnic society, secular state
Population	1,798,506
Demonym(s)	Kosovar
Ethnicities	Albanian, serbian, bosnian, turks, roma, ashkali.
Languages	Albanian (official), serbian (official), bosnian, turkish, roma
Religions	Muslim, orthodox, catholic.
Surface area	10.905 km ²
Residences	1,469
Municipalities	38
Capital	Prishtina
Main cities	Prizreni, Peja, Ferizaj, Gjilani, Mitrovica, Gjakova
Density	164,92/km ²
Life expectancy	76.7 years
Number of students	110,137
Literacy rate	96.15 %
GDP ₂₀₁₈	7,893 million USD (IMF)
GDP per capita ₂₀₁₈	4,324 USD (IMF)
Cost of living index	25.98 (the lowest in Europe; NUMBEO)
Currency	Euro
Time zone	UTC+1(CEST)
Calling code	+383
Internet TLD	.xk

UNIVERSITY OF PRISHTINA

The University of Prishtina is the most important educational, scientific and cultural institution in Kosova. The University of Prishtina was established on the 15th of February, 1970. The first university Rector was Prof. Dr. Dervish Rozhaja. The newly established University of Prishtina consisted of these faculties: Faculty of Philosophy, Faculty of Law and Economics, Faculty of Technical Sciences and Faculty of Medicine.

Up until 2010, the University of Prishtina was the only university in the country, whereas today this university remains the largest in the number of study programs and the number of students. Since 2012, it is known as the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina", in honor of the patriot, diplomat and activist of Albanian education.

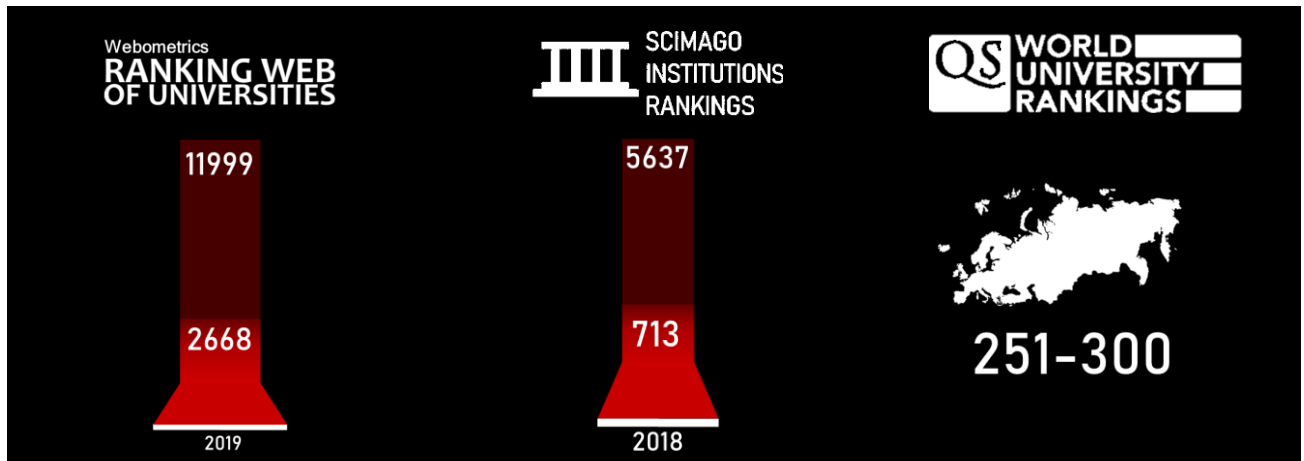


RANKING

Since January 2019, the University of Prishtina has been ranked in the 2668th place, in the Webometrics University Ranking, where over 12 thousand world universities are included. Whereas, in Google Scholar, the scientific works of 287 professors and assistants of the University of Prishtina are cited.

In the Scimago University Ranking, the University of Prishtina has been ranked in the 713th place among the 5637 included institutions, while it holds the 125th place in the ranking list, among all Eastern European Universities.

The University of Prishtina has been ranked in QS World University Rankings, one of the three rankings of the most influential universities in the world. In the classification for Emerging Europe and Central Asia (EECA), the University of Prishtina is ranked in the places 251-330.



ACADEMIC UNITS

The thirteen Academic Units of the University of Prishtina are:

Faculty of Philosophy (9)

Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (11)

Fakulteti i Filologjisë (10)

Faculty of Law (3)

Faculty of Economics (3)

Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture

Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

Faculty of Medicine

Faculty of Arts (2)

Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary

Faculty of Physical Education and Sports (8)

Faculty of Education(4)

Rectorate of the University of Prishtina (1)

National Library (5)

Art Gallery (6)

Albanological Institute (12)

Central Administration (14)





Faculty of Philosophy

History (BA, PhD)
History, the New Time (MA)
Philosophy (BA, MA)
Political sciences (BA)
Psychology (BA)
School Psychology and Counseling (MA)
Social Work (BA)
Sociology (BA, MA)
European Integration and Public Administration (BA)
Anthropology (MA)

Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

Analytical Chemistry and Environment (MSc)
Biology (BSc)
Organic Biology and Ecology (PhD)
Chemistry (BSc, PhD)
Chemistry Engineering (BSc)
Computer Sciences (BSc)
Ecology and Environmental Protection (BSc, MSc)
Financial Mathematics in Banking and Insurance (BSc)
Geography (BSc, MSc)
Organic Chemistry (MSc)
Physical and Inorganic Chemistry (MSc)
Physics (BSc, MSc)
Mathematics (BSc, MSc)



Faculty of Philology

Albanian Language (BA, MA)
Albanian Literature (BA, MA)
English Language and Literature (BA, MA)
French Language and Literature (BA)
German Language and Literature (BA, MA)
Journalism (BA)
Linguistics (PhD)
Literature (PhD)
Orientalism (BA)
Turkish Language and Literature (BA)



Faculty of Law

International Law (Dr.SC.)
Law (LLB)
Contract and Commercial Law (LLM)
Criminal Law (LLM)
Administrative Constitutional Law (LLM)
Financial Law (LLM)
Civil and Property Law (LLM)
International Law (LLM)
Constitutional and Administrative Law (Dr.Sc)



Faculty of Economics

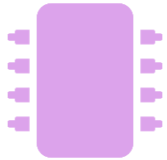
Accounting (BA)
Banking, Finance & Accounting (BA, MA, PhD)
Economics (BA, MA, PhD)
Management & Informatics (BA, MA, PhD)
Marketing (BA, MA, PhD)
Applied Economics and Management (BA)
Economics (in English Language) (PhD)



Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture

Architecture (MSc)
Construction (BSc, MSc)
Energy Efficiency (Professional Master)
Environmental Engineering (BSc)
Hydro-technics (BSc, MSc)
Geodesy (BSc, MSc)



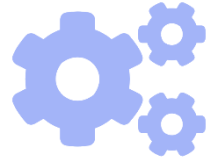


Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Computerized Automation & Robotics (BSc)
Computer Engineering (BSc, MSc)
Electro-energetics (BSc)
Electronics (BSc)
Telecommunication (BSc, MSc)
Electronics (BSc)

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

Industrial Engineering and Management (BSc)
Manufacturing and Automation (BSc)
Mechatronics (BSc, MSc)
Communication and Transport (BSc)
Road Traffic (MSc)
Thermal Power and Renewable Energy (MSc)
Manufacturing and Industrial Management Engineering (MSc)
Constructions and Mechanization (BSc)



Faculty of Medicine

Clinical Medicine (PhD)
Dentistry (Dr.Dent. (Integrated), PhD)
Biomedical experimentation (PhD)
General Medicine (Dr.Med (Integrated))
Nursery (BSc)
Pharmacy (MPH (Integrated))
Physiotherapy (BSc)
Public Health (PhD)



Faculty of Arts

Acting (BA, MA)
Applied Arts (BA, MA)
Music (BMus, MMus)
Performance Music (BMus, MMus)
Dramaturgy (BA, MA)
Film and Television Directing (BA)
Stage and Costume Design (BA, MA)
Theatre Directing (BA, MA)
Visual Arts (BA, MA)



Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary

Agricultural Economics (BSc)
Agriculture and Food Economics (MSc)
Applied Zootechnical Science (MSc)
Business Management in Zootechnics (BSc)
Department of Plowing and Vegetable Production (MSc)
Food Technology with Biotechnology (BSc)
Plant Production (BSc)
Plant Protection - Phytomedicine (MSc)
Veterinary Medicine (DVM (Integrated))
Food and Viniculture (MSc)



Faculty of Physical Education and Sports

Physical Education and Sport (BA, MA)
Sports Trainer (MA)



Faculty of Education

Education (PhD)
General Pedagogy (BA)
Leadership in Education (MA)
Master of Inclusive Education (MA)
Master of Pedagogy for Vocational Schools (MA)
Master of Subject Teaching (MA)
Pre-school Program (BA)
Primary-school Program (BA)
Teaching and Curricula (MA)
Teaching in Albanian Language and Literature (Professional Master)
Pedagogy (MSc)





147 Study Programs

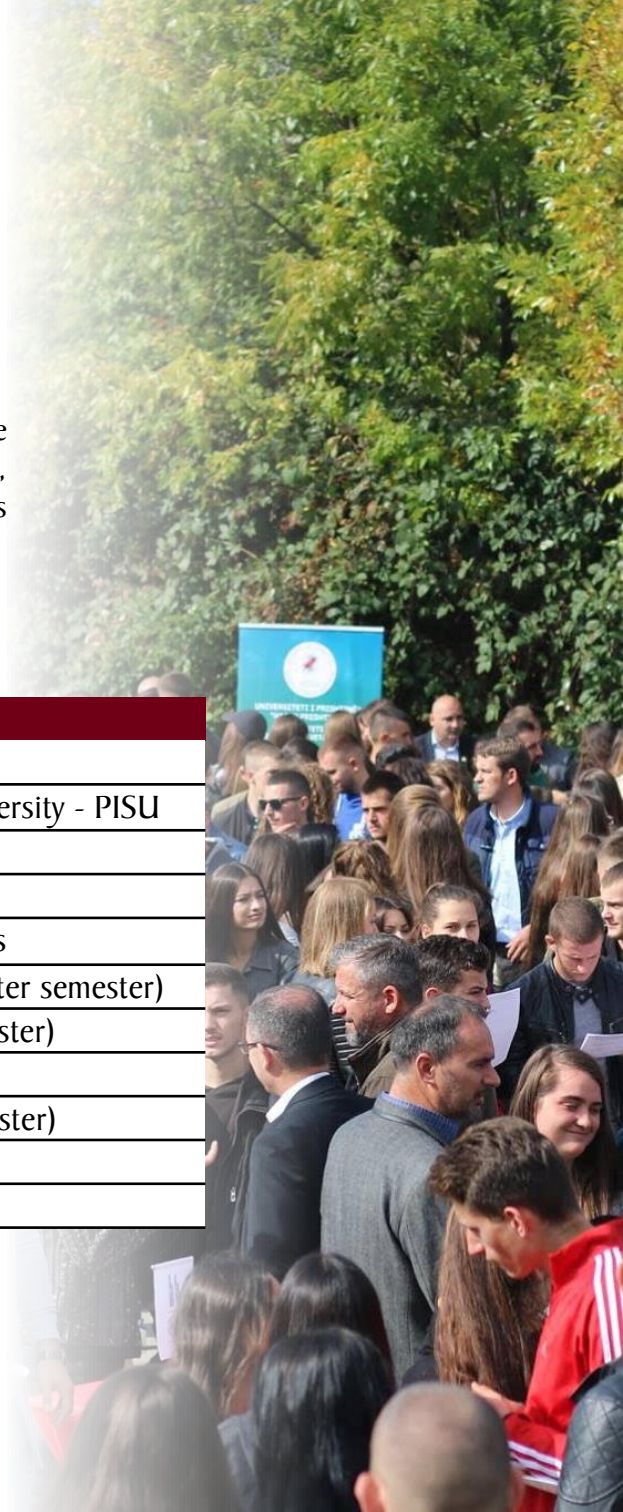
Study Level	Number of programs	Year(s) of study	Credits - ECTS	Title
Bachelor	65	3	180 ECTS	BSc
		4	240 ECTS	BA
Master	65	1	60 ECTS	MSc
		2	120 ECTS	MA
		1	90 ECTS	MA
		4	240 ECTS	
		5	300 ECTS	MSc
Doctorate	17	3	180 ECTS	PhD
		6	360 ECTS	Dr. Dent. Dr. Med.

Studies at the University of Prishtina

The University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina" organizes studies in accordance with existing study programs during the academic year, which lasts 12 months.

The academic year begins on the 1st of October and ends on the 30th of September. The active period of studies (lectures, exercises, seminars, midterm tests, practical work, etc.) is divided into two semesters.

Academic calendar	
July	Bachelor's entrance exam
July	Prishtina International Summer University - PISU
September	Administrative student registration
September	Master's entrance exam
1 st of October	Orientation Day for the new students
1 st of October	Beginning of the academic year (winter semester)
15 th of January	Completion of lectures (winter semester)
15 th of February	Day of the University of Prishtina
16 th of February	Beginning of lectures (summer semester)
31 st of May	End of lectures
15 th of September	End of the academic year



UNIVERSITY OF PRISTINA BY NUMBERS

Academic Unit	Academic staff	Administrative staff	Current students
Faculty of Philosophy	58	18	3059
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences	105	28	2841
Faculty of Philology	101	14	2541
Faculty of Law	56	20	6024
Faculty of Economics	63	20	8095
Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture	89	11	2329
Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering	37	13	1801
Faculty of Mechanical Engineering	40	11	1281
Faculty of Medicine	252	25	3322
Faculty of Arts	161	12	828
Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary	45	19	1652
Faculty of Physical Education and Sports	23	8	832
Faculty of Education	57	12	3380
Central Administration		301	
Total	1087	512	37985



GRADUATES

During 2018 in Pristina University have graduated 7282 students in all three levels of study.

Academic Unit	Bachelor	Master	Doctorate
Faculty of Philosophy	526	218	4
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences	509	48	1
Faculty of Philology	395	216	3
Faculty of Law	704	404	7
Faculty of Economics	1049	356	7
Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture	186	107	0
Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering	156	45	0
Faculty of Mechanical Engineering	224	91	0
Faculty of Medicine	249	369	10
Faculty of Arts	143	10	0
Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary	158	35	0
Faculty of Physical Education and Sports	82	33	0
Faculty of Education	786	151	0
Total	5167	2083	32



MOBILITY THE OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – OIR

The Office for International Relations – OIR plays a key role in the internationalization of the University of Prishtina, considering that all the projects and international mobility agreements for the thirteen (13) UP academic units are managed by the OIR.

As part of the Erasmus+ program, the University of Prishtina has signed over 80 inter-institutional agreements and it annually exchanges students and staff from different fields in European universities. During 2018, around 46 agreements with different local, regional and international institutions have been signed.

In the summer semester of 2019, around ninety (90) students have benefited from this program. While, during 2018, over 200 students have benefited from this mobility program.

One of the purposes of the OIR is to also increase the number of international students at the University of Prishtina. For the summer semester, through the Erasmus+ program, six international students will study at the University of Prishtina. As part of the Erasmus+ program, a big number of professors from European universities lecture in the UP.

OIR offers information for its international activities, study programs abroad, partnerships with other universities, opportunities for international students, and study scholarships in European universities through different programs.

At the OIR, with the request of local and international institutions, documents of students of the University of Prishtina are verified. During 2018, around 300 diplomas, grades transcripts, and certificates of students of the University of Prishtina have been verified.



SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OFFICE FOR SPONSORED RESEARCH AND PROJECTS – OSRP



University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina" as the vanguard of scientific and artistic research in Kosovo has established The Office for Research and Sponsored Projects – ORSP (In Albanian: Zyra për Kërkime dhe Projekte të Sponsorizuara – ZKPS), whose service offerings consist of providing comprehensive assistance in research administration to researchers, professors, and teaching assistants of the University of Prishtina who pursue externally funded research.

The ORSP serves as a liaison between academic staff of the University of Prishtina and organizations, agencies and foundations with sponsorship/financing programs for research projects. The ORSP promotes opportunities for sponsored projects and research, provides assistance in drafting and developing projects, as well as in all administrative procedures before and after the development of the project. Ever since its establishment, dozens of successful projects such as sponsoring of the projects of the University of Prishtina professors, as well as international consortiums with partner universities have passed through the hands of ORSP. Every project involving the University of Prishtina is approved by the rector of the university after being recommended by the ORSP, while the process of the project implementation is administered and supervised from the office.

The ORSP deals with the academic profile of the University of Prishtina and is engaged in improving the ranking of the institution in ranking lists with academic character. In 2018, a big improvement has been made in the ranking of the University of Prishtina.

The University of Prishtina has Elsevier subscription, which provides the academic staff and the students with access in scientific papers' platforms. The academic staff and the students have access to Scopus, ScienceDirect, Mendeley, as well as other services of the academic publisher, Elsevier.



VENTURE UP

VENTUREUP

VentureUP is the official incubator and the entrepreneurship center at the University of Prishtina. It is composed of four main programs: incubation, experimental learning, social impact, and research and technology. Up until now, VentureUP has successfully implemented two projects.

The first project, which supported entrepreneurship and capacities of labor force, supported by GIZ, was focused in improving the employment of the UP students through different modules of seminars and sessions with guest lecturers.

The second project WomenUP, financed by the American embassy, besides the improvement of employment, was focused in empowering girls at the UP. Up until now, around 1300 students have participated in the activities of VentureUP. Currently, VentureUP is engaged in its newest project LightUP, financed by the EU Commission, which is composed of workshops and incubation process for business ideas of students. VentureUP with its volunteers were part of important events like Earth Day, Sunny Hill Festival, GDPR etc.



INOVACION AND ENTERPRISE CENTER IN UP



The University of Prishtina has established the Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship in UP. The Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship will be a space for students of the UP, innovative enterprises in the pre-incubation and incubation process, and also for young people interested for professional training in the field of innovation. Besides this, this office will be in disposition also for other individual innovators, who can use it through their researches with innovative ideas.

CENTER FOR ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY

The Center for Energy and Sustainability (CES) is a center for all inclusive transdisciplinary researches and trainings, which addresses the local and global challenges of sustainability. As part of the Center for Energy and Sustainability (CES) of the University of Prishtina, the certificatory program “Renewable Energy and Sustainability” is being implemented. The program offers focused courses from many faculties, where trainings are offered for some of the most current challenges in the world – climatic change, energy sustainability, environmental protection. The graduates of the program receive a university certificate, besides their BA or MA diploma.



THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Office for Information Technology (IT) has the duty to offer and support all services of IT in university level. The whole university campus is covered with offering services of wireless network, and also static routing, which is built using the optical infrastructure and equipment with contemporary standards.

While implementing software systems, the UPHP has increased the quality of offering services. As soon as students' registration occurs, the UPHP annually offers access to the electronic mail (e-mail) for all students with unlimited capacities in terms of space. Currently, the IT Office provides 47,608 e-mail addresses for the staff and the students.

Informative Systems and Services of the University of Prishtina

Sistemi	The number of users
SEMS	121111
eCareer	102965
Attendance	88869
Summer University	456
SEMS Support	127
Info Terminals	56
Quality System	8
Data Collection System	6
Personnel System	6
Finance System	32

CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING (CTE)

The Center for Teaching Excellence supports effective and innovative teaching of all disciplines in the University of Prishtina and other Higher Education institutions in Kosovo and the region. This center offers regular seminars and other sources to raise the effectivity of teaching in the classroom and stimulate learning.

During the year 2018, many trainings have been organized by CTE for the UP staff, for professors and assistants from different UP academic units in the basic and advanced level.

The Center for Teaching Excellence of the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina" closes the calendar year with 22 certified trainers. 12 new trainers certified through the Program for Training Trainers designed in cooperation with World Learning – Transformational Leadership Program – Scholarships and Partnerships and the State University of Arizona with the support of USAID joined the 10 high trainers of CTE.

Since the functionalization of CTE in November 2017 up until December 2018, 223 members of the regular academic staff have been certified in the trainings organized and realized by CTE.



THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The Career Development Center aims at helping UP students, in developing knowledge and skills, which will help them during their employment. It also aims at helping students gain work experience during their studies, in order for them to understand more about the labor market world, and to offer advice and information for high school seniors regarding studies in the UP.

The role of the Career Development Center is to be an intercessory among students, faculties, and companies, having as a purpose the strengthening of cooperative relationships and the advancement of the level of student preparation for the labor market.

Ever since its beginning, this center has deepened the cooperation between the UP and the employers, has helped students get employed and develop a work ethic while doing their internships in different companies, has helped seniors to understand more about study programs and about the other opportunities that the UP offers in order to help them develop professionally, etc.



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

ALUMNI UP (AUP) is an association of the University of Prishtina “Hasan Prishtina” graduates, established for the first time on May, 2019. The aim of establishing the AUP is to create opportunities for the UP alumni to give their contribution from their experience and be an integral part of the positive changes in the UP; to network the UP alumni; the Internationalization of the UP; the encouragement and leading of the collaborations with significant actors, international and local partners, the civil society, in support of the UP, as well as fundraising in support of the UP.

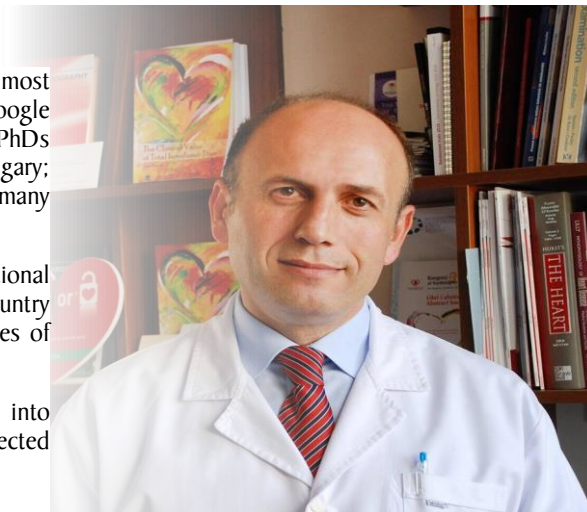
SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS

PROF. DR. GANI BAJRAKTARI

Prof. Dr. Gani Bajraktari, professor of Internal Medicine, is the most cited professor of the University of Prishtina according to the Google Scholar platform. Prof. Dr. Gani Bajraktari has completed three PhDs (University of Prishtina, Semmelweis University of Medicine, Hungary; Umea University, Sweden). Professor Bajraktari is a member of many scientific institutions and mechanisms, in and outside the country.

Besides having presented more than 100 abstracts in international conferences, he has also been invited to lecture in 40 out of the country international conferences, including the most prestigious conferences of the field of cardiology in the world.

Prof. Dr. Gani Bajraktari succeeded to put the country of Kosova into Horizon 2020 with four projects, which after being selected, are expected to be implemented in 2019.



PROF. DR. BAJRAM BERISHA



Prof. Dr. Bajram Berisha is a professor of Biotechnology in Zootechnics and Veterinary at the University of Prishtina. Professor Berisha has the highest Hirsch Index in the UP (Google Scholar: H-index=36). Prof. Dr. Bajram Berisha has published over 100 scientific papers in the journals with impact factor.

Professor Berisha is a member of over 20 national and international scientific journals. He's a visiting professor in the Technical University of Munich (TUM), as well as the Ludwig Maximilian University (LMU) of Munich in Germany. The professor has also won dozens of prizes as well as acknowledgements from relevant scientific institutions, both national and international. Prof. Bajram Berisha has been awarded with the laureate prize "Zietzchmann-Preuss" from the World Association of Veterinary Anatomists in 2018.

Technical University of Munich has honoured the professor Bajram Berisha with the "TUM ambassador" prize.

PROF. DR. FETAH PODVORICA

Prof. Dr. Fetah Podvorica, a professor of the department of Chemistry, is one of the most cited professors of the University of Prishtina. According to the Scopus platform, he has over 2800 citations, and has the Hirsch index=18. Professor Podvorica, from the year or 2001 and up until now has been invited in the University of Paris 7, in Ecole Supérieure de Chimie et Physique of Paris, in the University of Leipzig, in the University of Orleans, in the University Paris Est, and in the University of Aarhus.

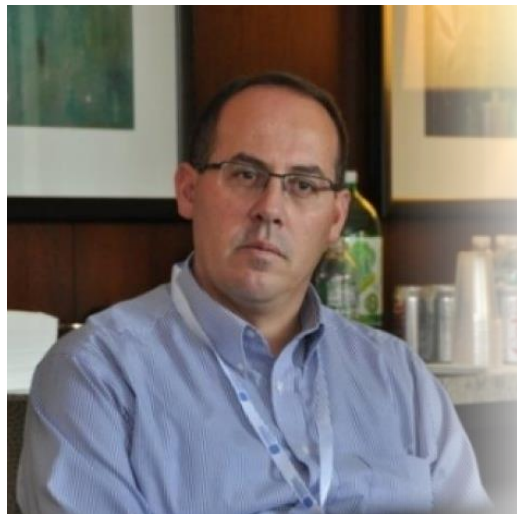
Prof. Podvorica has patented 2 patents related to the coating of metal surfaces with organic layers of the aryldiazonium. One patent comes from Europe, and the other from the USA. Today, the licence of the patents is used for stents' coating with organic films which are commercialized by a Chinese company.

Prof. Fetah Podvorica was chosen a correspondent member of the Academy of Sciences and Arts of Kosova in 2016, while in 2017 he was chosen a correspondent member of the Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Literature of Dijon, France.

The University of Prishtina is ranked amongst 40 best universities in the world based on publications in the field of aryldiazonium salts, whilst prof. Podvorica is amongst the 10 authors who have the most papers and citations of this field in the world.



PROF. DR. LUL RAKA



Prof. Dr. Lul Raka is an assistant professor in the Department of Microbiology, social Medicine with medical statistics and informatics, Family Medicine and Occupational Medicine. Professor Raka is also a member of the National Institute of Public Medicine of Kosova as a microbiologist. The professor is one of the most cited professors in the University of Prishtina according to Google Scholar platform.

Prof. Dr. Lul Raka has continuous collaboration with various international universities and institutions, while having a more intensified collaboration with the University of Antwerp, Oxford University and Medical University of Graz. Raka is a member of a great number of institutions and scientific mechanisms, local and international. The professor is a member of the International Control of Hospital Infections Consortium, based in Argentina, a member of the European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases etc.

Professor Raka was a Consultant of the World Health Organization of Ebola Infection prevention and control, where he volunteered with the team which went to Africa.

ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

PROF. DR. ISMET SIJARINA - “COLD NOVEMBER”



COLD NOVEMBER

LA VIDA DE ISMET SIJARINA

Professor Ismet Sijarina is a professor of Directing Film and Television, who in 2017 has realized the movie “Cold November”. During 2018, this movie reached the tops of valuation in a great number of film festivals. “Cold November” was the first Albanian movie to take part in a competition in a festival of category A in San Sebastian (SSIFF66) of Spain. It also has won various awards, such as the audience award in the Zurich Festival (ZIFFI6), the best actor award in Bosphorus International Film Festival, as well as many other festivals and awards.

Besides professor Ismet, in the executive staff and the cast of actors, more members from the University of Prishtina participated, as well. These members were: Screenwriting professor, Arian Krasniqi, as a screenwriter, Burim Arifi engaged as a scenographer, Blerta Basholli, film director, and Jeta Bajrami on costumes and scenography. Also, the students of the directing film program in Master Studies, Valmira Hyseni, first assistant, and Arjanit Hoti from the acting program was engaged as a second assistant. Along with actors such as Alketa Syla, Maylinda Kosumovic and Dukagjin Podrimja, all of them students of the acting program, Master's level.

“Cold November” is a film project supported by three countries (Kosova, Albania, and Macedonia), whereas it is globally managed for sales and distribution from two well-known Spanish and Italian companies.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY OF LAW

Students of the Faculty of Law have participated in many international competitions. Particularly, the successful representations which are worth mentioning are the ones in Harvard Model United Nations, in the field of international law Vis in Vienna, Austria, in the field of international law in Jessup Moot Court in Cyprus, in EU model organized by James Madison University (Washington) and in the field of humanitarian law and protection of refugees in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

During 2018, various seminars and international scientific conferences were held in the Faculty of Law. Among those worth mentioning are the ones of the conference on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the independence of Kosova, the conference on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the approval of the Kosovo Constitution, the Cyber Law conference which focused on the law of cyber space, the conference titled "Kosova in relation to the International Law" (in cooperation with Nanterre University, Paris).

The Faculty of Law was the host of the Itinerant Summer University 2018th edition, which was organized in cooperation with the Faculties of Law of the Universities of Nanterre, Munster, Skopje, Belgrade, Sofia etc, and the support of the French and German Embassy in Kosova.

The Faculty of Law in cooperation with, and with the support of the Norwegian Embassy has established the Center for Transitional Justice.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY OF EDUCATION

During the period of June-December 2018, the Faculty of Education organized the teachers' training in cooperation with MEST, UNICEF and KAPIE within the framework of the "Professional development of teachers in the implementation of inclusive education" project. The first two modules of the training were held in six schools and a kindergarten. The trainings include modules such as: Inclusive education, vision, theory, and the concepts of inclusive education; Differential and individual teaching in an inclusive class, how to teach children with autism – ABA method. The trainings were held in Peja, Gjakova, Mitrovica, Gjilan, Ferizaj, and Prizren. 470 teachers were part of the training.

THE FIRST GRADUATE IN AN ENGLISH PROGRAM AT THE UP

The first student of the English language program - Applied Economics and Management has graduated at the Faculty of Economics. The student, Flutra Smailhasanaj gives her impressions as the first graduate in an English program in the University of Prishtina.

“ My big wish to study in English was realized thanks to the acceptance in the Faculty of Economics in October of 2015, in the Applied Economics and Management Department. I was very happy that I would be part of the first generation of this department and very excited that I was beginning a new challenge. I was sure that these 3 years of study in English would give me a quite a wonderful experience, which would later help me in my professional life. One of the experiences which I would disjoint during these 3 years is the opportunity that was given to me to study for one semester abroad. For 4 months, I had the opportunity to live and study in Finland, in the city of Valkeasalmi, in HAMK University of Applied Sciences. During these 4 months, I had the opportunity not only to study, but also get acquainted with different cultures from many other places of the world. After the return from Finland, I finished the preparation of the diploma paper and defended it, as the first student graduated in an English program at the University of Prishtina, which is an indescribable feeling. All this experience during these 3 years would not be possible without the support of the academic staff of the Faculty of Economics, which I thank very much and also my family that has supported me in every step. ”



THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE OF THE FACULTY OF ECONOMICS

The Faculty of Economics of the University of Prishtina “Hasan Prishtina”, with the support of United Nations Development Program – UNDP has organized the second International Scientific Conference titled “Migration, Diaspora, and Economic Development”.

The conference was held on the 15th and the 16th of November, 2018 in the Faculty of Economics, where academics, professors, researchers and students from the University of Prishtina and European Universities have participated. The papers will be published in the Conference Book and the Scientific Journal “Balkan Economic Review”.

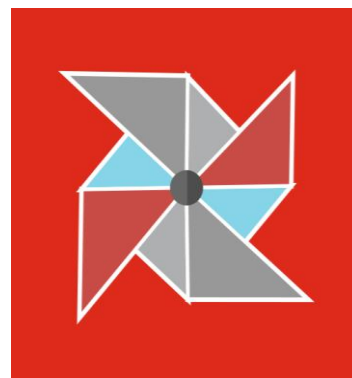
The Scientific Journal “Balkan Economic Review”, published by the Faculty of Economics has received the ISSN number, hence gaining international recognition. BER is registered in the International Register of ISSN in Paris, with the serial number: 2609-8717.



THE CONFERENCE FOR POSITIVE SOCIAL CHANGES

The University of Prishtina and UNICEF have organized the conference for positive social changes and the relation of academia with the action in the community. The University of Prishtina is part of the volunteers' network.

The University of Prishtina has won the right to organize the 17th edition of the Netties conference. This traditional conference, organized by the International Association for eScience (IAFeS,) is annually held in a European university. After 16 successful editions, NETTIES 2019 comes to the University of Prishtina in May 2019. The topic of the conference will be: "(Innovation and Digitalization in emerging Economies - The Interplay of Society, Education, ICT and Philosophy)."



THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE “DEALING WITH THE PAST”

The University of Prishtina in cooperation with the ZDF forum – the program for Kosova, have organized the international conference with the topic: “Reviewing Dealing with the Past and Transitional Justice in the Balkans.” The organizers of the conference were: Prof. Dr Vjollca Krasniqi from the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Prishtina and Nehar Shatri from ZDF forum – Kosova.

The conference reviewed the frameworks and processes of treating the past in states emerged from former Yugoslavia. The conference was built upon the “the history of the present” Foucauldian concept asking for a stand and critical attitude to analyze the mechanisms of post-war transitional justice, and the reformation of today's practices to deal with the past.

The conference included main speeches from Prof. Denisa Kostovicova (London School of Economics and Political Science) and Prof. Eric Gordy (University College London).

STUDENT CONFERENCE OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE DEPARTMENT

“A dialogue with the past: exploring culture, history and tradition within community” is a student conference led and organized by English Language and Literature Department lecturer PhD. Blerta Mustafa. In four consecutive years, over four hundred students have presented oral history projects in front of peers, staff and invited guests. The most successful projects, were then invited to present at Kosovo English Teachers' Network (KETNET) annual conferences from 2014-2018.

KETNET

In the past eight years, the Kosova English Teachers' Network (KETNET) in cooperation with the English Language and Literature Department of the University of Prishtina have organized annual conferences for English language teachers. Every year, around 400-500 pre-service and in-service English teachers attend these conferences. Annual conferences aim at bringing together experienced and novice teachers from Kosova, the region and the world to share experiences, network and learn about the most recent trends in teaching and learning. Each year, education experts from the United States, the United Kingdom and other countries present at the conference. In addition, many teachers from pre-university and university level in Kosova deliver workshops, present findings from their research and/or deliver presentations on various aspects of teaching and learning.



UPISC

The students of the University of Prishtina have organized the 3rd edition of the International Student Conference (UPISC 2018). The conference topic was: Entrepreneurship Education in the 21st century. This conference has gathered students from many countries and students of the UP. "The aim of UPISC is the internationalization of the University of Prishtina and the opportunity of exchanging experiences among students from the whole world for professional and academic development" – Vegim Hoti, Chairman of the Organizational Team of UPISC 2018.



PISU

Prishtina Summer International University aims at gathering academics, professors, and students from the whole world, with the purpose of exchanging their professional experiences and advancement in the academic and professional sphere. In the year 2018, the Prishtina Summer International University was held from the 9th to the 20th of July, offering 15 courses of different fields and 4 workshops. The number of applicants reached till 439, where among the accepted 200 were local students and 43 international students. Courses were lectured from 15 local professors and 15 international professors. The number of students in workshops was 23. Besides the lectures, this organization offered interesting activities for students and professors.



THE INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR FOR ALBANIAN LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, AND CULTURE



The International Seminar for Albanian Language, Literature, and Culture was founded in 1974. In August, 2018, the 37th Seminar was held in the Faculty of Philology at the University of Prishtina. In this seminar, over 100 Albanian and international albanologists participated.

The Journal of the International Seminar for Albanian Language, Literature, and Culture, which is organized by the Faculty of Philology in the University of Prishtina, in just over a year after receiving the ISSN number, got accepted in one of the most prestigious scientific journals platforms EBSCO.

EBSCO

KOSLIFT

KosLift is a project formed for the students of the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina" and Rochester Institute of Technology-Kosova. This project will support up to 1000 university students and 60 Kosovar businesses in the sectors of energy, information technology, communication technology, production technology, advancing the capacities needed to grow their competitiveness in the business sector in Kosova and the region.

Successful students will have the opportunity to be a part of the workshops in the Laboratory for Research and Development and be a part of the "Design Challenge". UP students will offer consultancy for the solution of business problems and will have the opportunity to work in the company as interns.



SPORT ACHIEVEMENTS

The University Sports Federation of Kosova (USFK) has become a member of all international institutions of university sports. With its acceptance in the World and European Federation of University Sports, FSUK has now opened all doors for athletes and students of Kosova in the international level. where they will be able to participate in all activities organized by The International Federation of Universities Sports.

The team of girls of the University of Prishtina, among the universities from 18 countries of Europe came as finalist in the volleyball competition "Euro Milano 2018 - International Inter Universities Tournament. ", held in Italy, returning with the second place cup and silver medals from this competition.

Alvin Karaqi, student of the Faculty of Medicine in the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina", has won the bronze medal in the Karate World University Championship, which was held in Kobe, Japan.

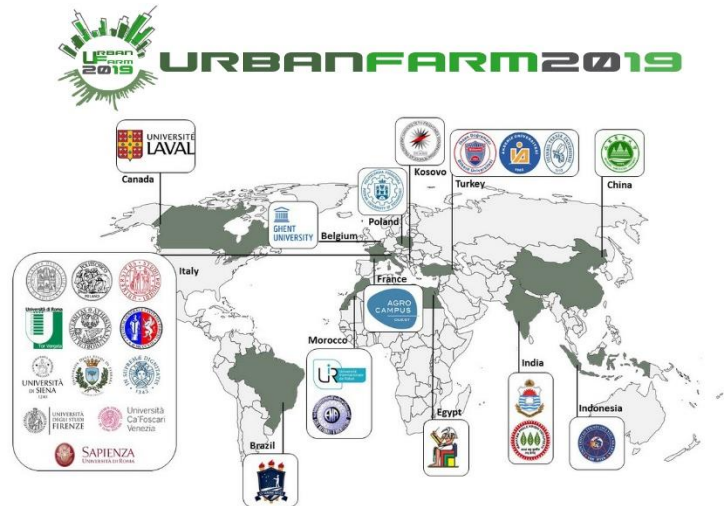
The University Sports Federation of Kosova participated for the first time in the European University Games – EUG 2018, held in Coimbra, Portugal. In these competitions, the student of the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina", the judoka Fjolla Kelmendi has won the second place in the 48kg category. With this success, Kelmendi brought to the Kosova sport the first medal from these competitions.

Volleyball and basketball players of the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina" have been announced as champions of the Universiade "Dubrovnik 2018". The UP students, among the 16 representative teams from the region have won the first places in volleyball (females) and basketball (males).



URBAN FARM 2019

The team of the University of Prishtina, consisting of students from the Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary, the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture, and the Faculty of Economics was qualified for the Grand Finale of the "Urban Farm 2019" competition. This competition was organized by the University of Bologna and the University of Florence. The main objective of "UrbanFarm2019" challenge was to design innovative systems of urban agriculture, which integrate the best architectonic and technological innovations on producing food in urban environments.



THE PROJECT "CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR AIR POLLUTION CONTROL FOR THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVA"

The Faculty of Mechanical Engineering is implementing the project "Capacity Development for Air Pollution Control for the Republic of Kosova", which is being developed in cooperation with the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning and with the Japanese agency "JICA".

The purpose of the project is to identify the sources of air pollution and identify the measures that have to be taken to reduce pollution. The Municipality of Prishtina will be taken as a pilot project where through research the assessment of air pollution from specific sources will be made, including transport, household, public services and industry, as a basis for the preparation of air emission inventories.

118 students from the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of the University of Prishtina will be engaged for the identification of pollutants from Kosovo A and B, the industry and transportation. Supervisors of this project are the professors of the University of Prishtina Prof. dr. Dr. Ferat Shala and Prof. Dr. Shpetim Lajqi.

PROJEKTI TE PEMA



Students of the University of Prishtina “Hasan Prishtina” of the departments Environmental Engineering and Mechatronics, under the mentorship of Prof. Dr. Shpetim Lajqi, have realized the project for the protection of the environment and the production of oxygen named “AT THE TREE”. This project was entirely realized by students of the UP and it is the first of its kind in the Balkans.

The idea to start this project came from the alarming news of Prishtina’s polluted air and from the opportunity that “Innovation Lab of Kosovo-UNICEF” offered through grants for innovative ideas.

THE “ELECTRIC WHEELCHAIR” PROJECT

Students of the University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina", of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, under the mentoring of Prof. Dr. Shpetim Lajqi, have realized the project "Electric Wheelchairs".

The Electric Wheelchair is a chair for people with disabilities, which functions 100 % with electrical energy and replenishes in the environment with renewable energy, without polluting the air.

The wheelchair is made of sensory equipment and auxiliary systems for riders like: ultrasonic sensors for avoiding obstacles, camera with ultrasonic sensors put at the back, signalization with LED lights at the front, the lower part, and direction indicators. The wheelchair has an electrical motor with 500W of power, as well as electrical and mechanical brake.





More than ever we need young people to understand the path they need to follow. Because a man without its nation is nothing and a nation without future generations extinguishes.

