

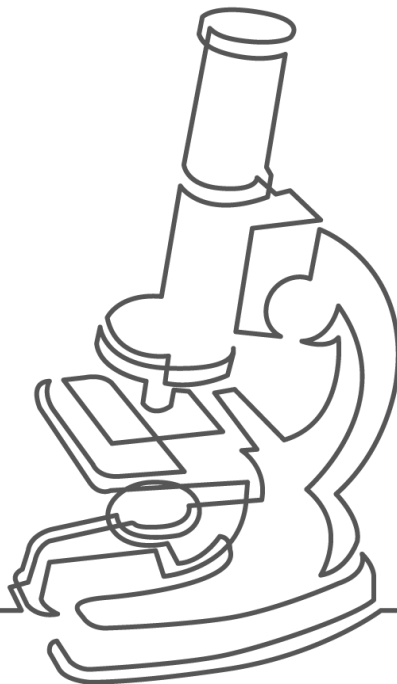


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FOREIGNERS

STUDENTS AND STAFF AT POLISH UNIVERSITIES
IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022



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INTRODUCTION

This study contains statistical data for the academic year 2021–2022 showing the number of foreign students and staff (academic teachers) at Polish HEIs.

The source of data is the [*Integrated System of Information on Science and Higher Education – POLon*](#):

1. the data about **students** refers to **86,164 foreign nationals** reported by the universities for the winter semester of the academic year 2021/2022,
 - the tables show universities with at least 200 students from abroad and countries with at least 500 citizens studying in Poland,
 - the “country of origin” was indicated on the basis of the “country of birth” and, in the absence of such information, on the basis of the “country of issue of identity document”,
2. the data about **academic teachers** refers to **2,544 foreign nationals** with a stated active employment and active terms of employment and with a filed declaration of disciplines valid as of 31 December 2021. – additional comments and clarifications:
 - as for the group of foreign academic teachers employed at Polish HEIs, the tables in the report are limited to the institutions employing at least 20 foreign teachers (the same was done for countries of origin),
 - the teachers were counted according to the scientific domains corresponding to the declared disciplines – those who did not have a declaration of the disciplines they represent were marked in the tables with the remark “no delcaration”,
 - due to the fact that staff members may appear simultaneously in two disciplines (this concerns approximately 65 staff members in the collection analysed), one staff member may have been counted more than once,
 - the “country of origin” was indicated on the basis of the “country of birth” and, in the absence of such information, on the basis of the “country of issue of identity document”,
 - Information on the academic degree/title held has been standardised and presented in groups: prof. (professor), dr. hab. (post-doctoral degree), dr (doctor), others.

The above limitations in fully showing the size of individual groups (especially academic teachers) are necessary to ensure their anonymity.

The data presented were downloaded from the **POLon system in July 2022 according to the status of the database as of 31 December 2021**.

The study is intentionally not provided with analytical commentary as it meant to serve illustrative purposes.

1 FOREIGN STUDENTS

1.1 FOREIGN STUDENTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Country of origin	Number of students*	Country of origin	Number of students*
Ukraine	35770	Lithuania	466
Belarus	10930	Ireland	463
Zimbabwe	2441	Cameroon	379
Turkey	2419	Saudi Arabia	377
India	2280	Morocco	346
Uzbekistan	2149	Tajikistan	343
Nigeria	2091	Italy	342
Russian Federation	1765	Spain	340
Azerbaijan	1723	Iran	334
Kazakhstan	1710	Iraq	321
Czech Republic	1473	Egypt	300
China	1440	Pakistan	282
Norway	1219	Thailand	274
Germany	1192	United Arab Emirates	269
Ethiopia	1064	Canada	243
Rwanda	796	Israel	231
Taiwan	766	France	218
United States	621	Ghana	217
Sweden	574	Indonesia	214
Kyrgyzstan	491	Bangladesh	200
Vietnam	470		

**only countries of origin of at least 200 students studying in Poland are included*

1.2 FOREIGN STUDENTS BY HEI

HEI	Number of students*	HEI	Number of students*
Vistula University of Finance and Business	4883	Wroclaw University of Technology	974
University of Internal Security in Lodz	3284	Kozmiński University	952
Jagiellonian University in Krakow	2968	Collegium Humanum – Warsaw Management University	949
Academy of Economics and Humanities in Warsaw	2685	Medical University of Lodz	922
University of Warsaw	2359	Poznan University of Medical Science	877
WSB Academy	2075	Wrocław Medical University	875
Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan	1816	Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń	865
Wincenty Pol Academy of Applied Sciences in Lublin	1815	Collegium Civitas in Warsaw	856
University of Lodz	1778	Lublin University of Technology	829
Warsaw School of Economics	1711	University of Opole	814
Andrzej Frycz Modrzewski Krakow University	1709	Warsaw Medical University	796
Warsaw University of Technology	1602	International University of Logistics and Transport in Wroclaw	762
University of Social Sciences in Lodz	1592	Bydgoszcz WSG University Enterprise of Knowledge	719
Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin	1591	John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin	717
Polish-Japanese Academy of Information Technology	1355	University College of Enterprise and Administration in Lublin	700
WSB in Wrocław	1345	University of Silesia in Katowice	651
University of Wrocław	1313	University of Economics in Cracow	647
University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszow	1210	Academy of Management and Administration in Opole	627
Medical University of Lublin	1107	Pomeranian Academy in Slupsk	611
SWPS University of Humanities and Social Sciences in Warsaw	1092	WSB University in Warsaw	605
Lazarski University in Warsaw	1041	Gdansk University of Technology	601
Medical University of Gdansk	1013	Pomeranian Medical University in Szczecin	590
Warsaw University of Life Sciences	1001	Lower Silesian University of Technology in Wroclaw	561
University of Business in Wrocław	1000	Poznan University of Technology	555
WSB University in Poznan	984	School of Social and Economics Sciences in Sroda Wielkopolska	541
University of Economics and Innovation in Lublin	984	Poznan University of Life Sciences	523

**only universities with at least 500 foreign students are included*

1.3 FOREIGN STUDENTS BY PROGRAMME

Programme	Number of students*	Programme	Number of students*
Management	14420	Construction	429
Medicine	7362	In the first year of study without an assigned major	429
Computer science	7045	Mechanics and mechanical engineering	411
Internal security	3656	Biotechnology	396
Tourism and recreation	3435	International economic relations	387
Economics	2997	Applied computer science	379
International relations	2925	Special pedagogy	361
Logistics	2695	Instrumentalist	355
Nursing	2231	Management engineering	346
Psychology	1930	Pre-school and early childhood pedagogy	334
Finance and accounting	1857	English philology	296
Philology	1630	Computer science and econometrics	285
Graphics	1273	Physical education	276
Cosmetology	1042	Management and production engineering	269
Journalism and social communication	934	Electrical engineering	248
Administration	929	Applied linguistics	234
Medical and dental faculties	857	Mechatronics	234
Architecture	804	National security	224
Law	702	Dietetics	224
Political science	578	Finance, International Investment and Accounting	221
Veterinary Medicine	571	Biology	204
Physiotherapy	540	Transportation	201
Sociology	456	Film and television production organization	200
Pedagogy	432		

**only programmes in which at least 200 foreign students are enrolled are included*

2 FOREIGN ACADEMIC TEACHERS

2.1 FOREIGN ACADEMIC TEACHERS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Country of origin	Number of teachers*	Country of origin	Number of teachers*
Ukraine	606	France	60
Germany	143	Iran	54
Italy	130	China	53
India	123	Lithuania	44
Belarus	114	Hungary	40
United Kingdom	105	Japan	38
Russian Federation	103	Turkey	30
Spain	93	Netherlands	29
Czech Republic	85	Brazil	23
Slovak Republic	79	Mexico	21
United States	77	Austria	20

**only countries of origin of at least 20 academic teachers working in Poland are included*

2.2 FOREIGN ACADEMIC TEACHERS BY HEI

HEI	Number of teachers*	HEI	Number of teachers*
Warsaw University	304	Gdansk University of Technology	34
Jagiellonian University in Krakow	195	University of Rzeszow	33
Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan	165	Maria Curie-Sklodowska University in Lublin	31
University of Wroclaw	87	Pedagogical University of Krakow	30
University of Gdansk	72	Technical University of Lodz	28
University of Lodz	68	Silesian University of Technology	28
Legnica University of Management	66	Jan Kochanowski University in Kielce	27
Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń	57	Collegium Humanum – Warsaw Management University	26
University of Silesia in Katowice	53	University of Opole	25
AGH University of Science and Technology	50	University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn	24
Warsaw University of Technology	49	Medical University of Białystok	22
Polonia University of Technology in Częstochowa	48	Poznan University of Technology	21
Wroclaw University of Technology	47	University of Białystok	21
John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin	45	Kozminski University	20
University of Szczecin	37		

**only universities at which at least 20 foreign academic teachers are employed are included*

2.3 FOREIGN ACADEMIC TEACHERS BY SCIENTIFIC DOMAIN

Scientific domain	Number of teachers*
no declaration	644
exact and natural sciences	573
social sciences	436
humanities	380
engineering and technical sciences	301
medical science and health science	124
arts	59
agriculture sciences	20

*the domain of theological studies is not included as the number of teachers is less than 20

2.4 FOREIGN ACADEMIC TEACHERS BY ACADEMIC DEGREES AND TITLES

Academic degree/title	Number of teachers*
dr	1096
other	559
dr hab.	433
prof.	327

3 CONCLUSIONS

General conclusions from the collected data:

- 3.1.** The group of foreign students in Poland is more than 30 times larger than the group of foreign academic teachers.
- 3.2.** People from Ukraine predominate among both students and academic teachers.
- 3.3.** In terms of countries of origin, the group of academic teachers is definitely more geographically diverse.
- 3.4.** The universities hosting the largest number of foreign students and academic teachers are diverse. The largest public universities appear in both groups, but in the case of students, non-public universities lead the way.
- 3.5.** Foreigners representing exact and natural sciences are predominant among academic teachers. Foreign students, on the other hand, most frequently choose management as their field of study.

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