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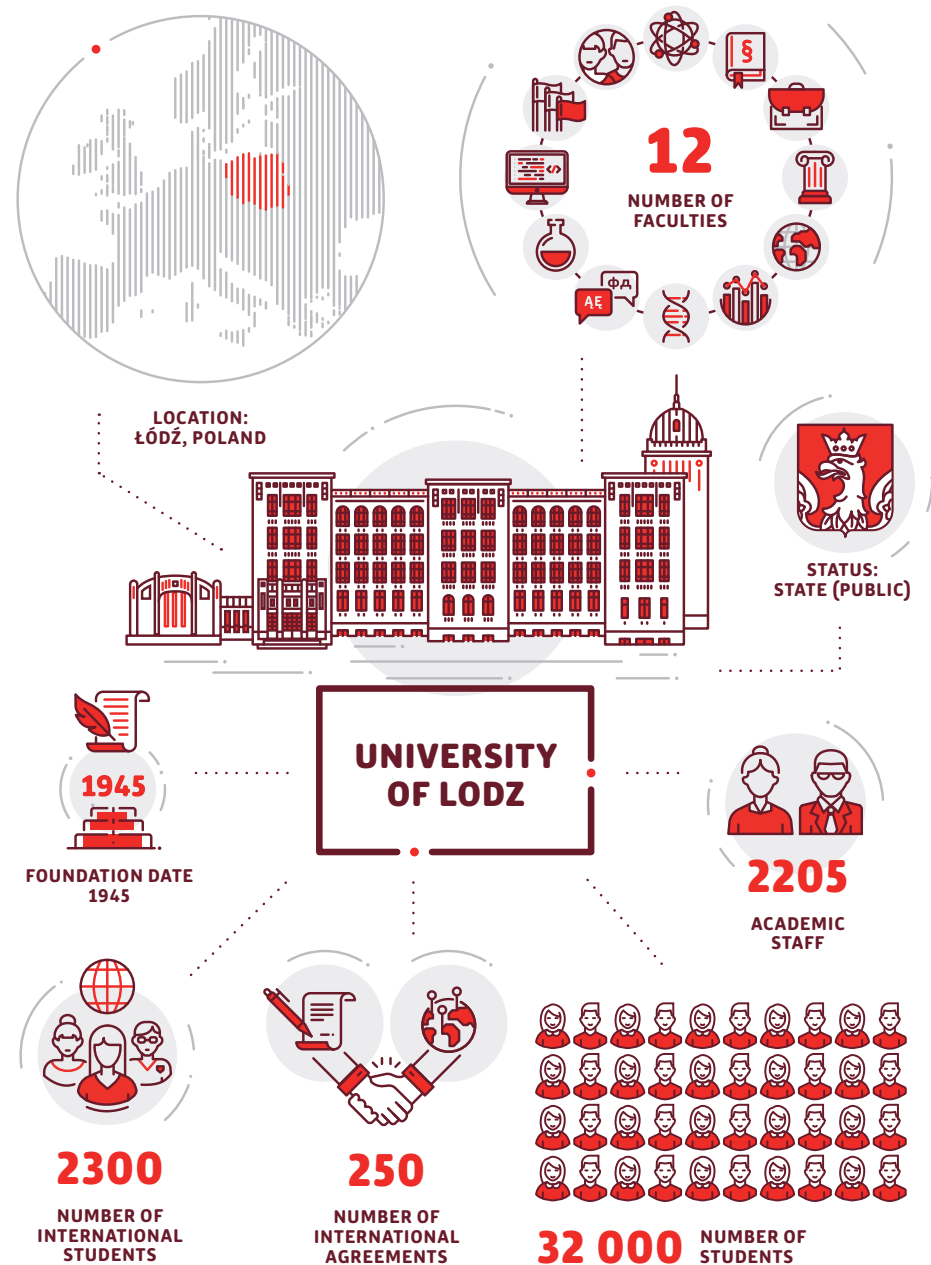


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Faculties



- Faculty of **Biology and Environmental Protection**
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- Faculty of **Geographical Sciences**
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- Faculty of **Law and Administration**
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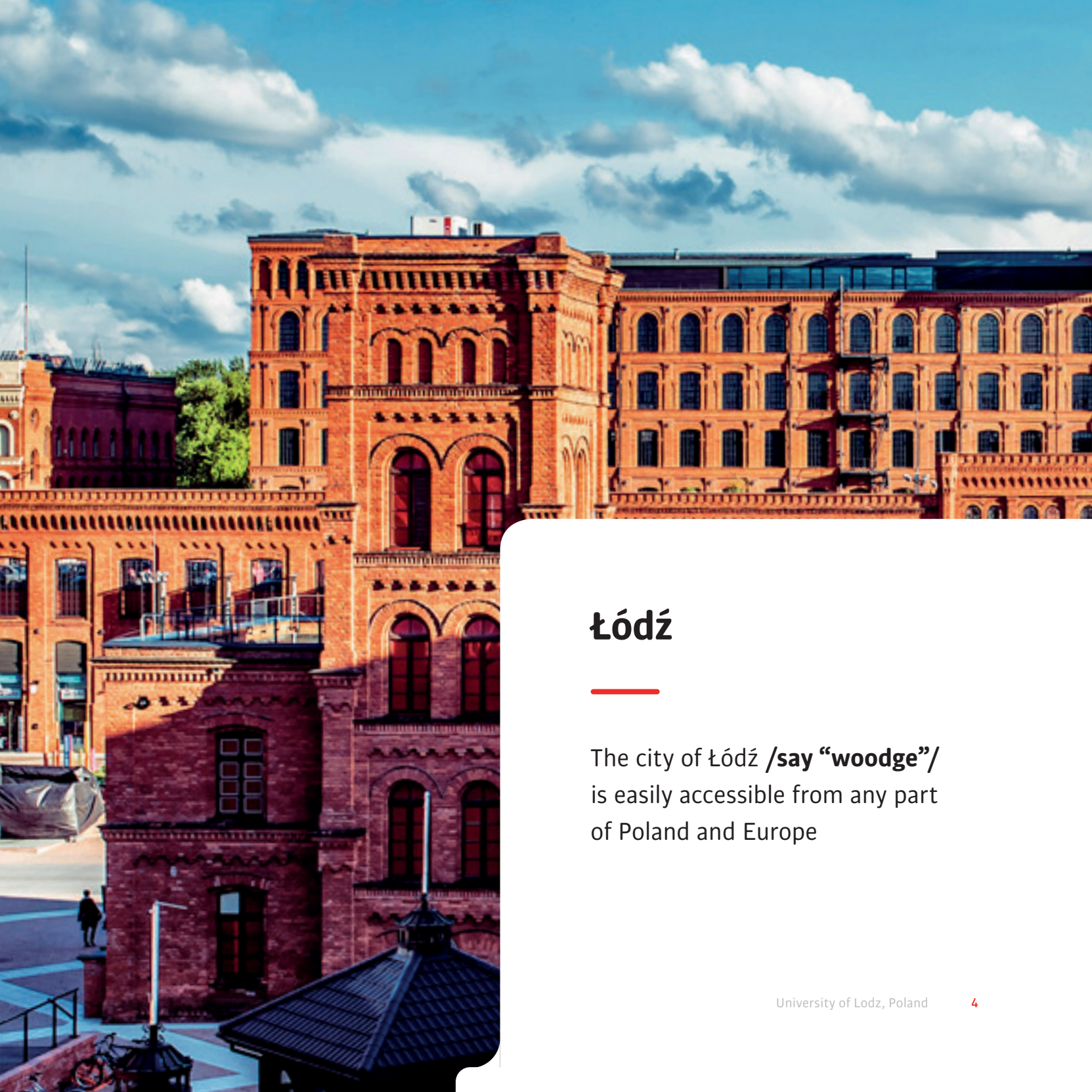
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officially: the Republic of Poland, is a country in Central Europe, bordered by Germany to the west, Czech Republic and Slovakia to the south, Ukraine and Belarus to the east, as well as Russia (Kaliningrad Oblast) and Lithuania to the northeast. Poland is the **6th biggest country in the EU**, both in terms of inhabitants (38,5 million)

and area (312 628 square km). Poland has been a member of the **United Nations** since 1945, **NATO** since 1999 and the **European Union** since 2004. In 2007 Poland joined the Schengen area, which is a group of European countries with no internal border control (applied to the zone limit instead).



Łódź

The city of Łódź /say “woodge”/
is easily accessible from any part
of Poland and Europe



It is a major academic city with many higher education institutions. Diverse Polish and international companies, located in Łódź, are official partners of the University of Lodz. Business experts from partner companies consult programme content and are invited to classes. The list of company names includes: **Infosys, Fujitsu, Clariant, Accenture, Deloitte, HP, LSI Software, Sandoz, CitiBank, Indesit, Skanska, BNP Paribas, Philips, E&Y, Pricewaterhouse Coopers** – all the entities mentioned seek UL graduates actively and help them develop their career. The city is proud of its

19th century industrial history and attracts tourists with many festivals and cultural events that are held annually. It incessantly generates the energy of creative activities, like architecture, fashion, and film, that have flourished here for generations. This is the place where the eminent filmmaker Roman Polanski was educated and gained his first professional experience. We believe Lodz has rightfully earned the names of “**Polish capital of street art**” as well as the “**cradle of Polish Cinematography**”.

Welcoming message from UL Rector



**Rector of the University of Lodz (President)
prof. dr hab. Antoni Różalski**

Professor Antoni Różalski, a researcher in the fields of microbiology, immunochemistry and immunobiology.

University of Lodz is devoted to research and education development aimed at community transformation. Our institution conducts major scientific projects with national and international grant providers, embracing a wide range of fields of exact sciences, natural sciences and humanities. Our goal is to form active global citizens who are able to think critically and understand the complexity of the modern world.

The University is involved in close cooperation with the service sector, as it provides well-qualified experts for local and international enterprises. The UL carries out research projects ordered by companies and includes business actors in education processes. Our institution is one of the largest employers in the region.

The UL is at the forefront of higher education in Poland and it has a leading position in the Lodz region. Modern infrastructure, high quality of education and a wide range of courses studied in foreign languages, all of them attract a large number of international candidates both for full-time degree programmes and for student exchange. Each year the University receives an increasing number of visiting professors who come to our University within the framework of bilateral agreements.

The University of Lodz promotes and initiates activities related to social responsibility. It was among the first universities in Poland that signed the Declaration of Social Responsibility. We are the first public university in Poland that signed the Diversity Charter. Through a variety of projects, as University Diversity, the UL builds academic community around the values of respect for cultural, religious and diverse identities as well as social sensitivity. We aim at integrating and sharing our diversity also with local community and business – in this way the university makes a difference to the social and economic well-being through the research, teaching activities and public events.

Through our global networking activities, we hope to grow an international academic community. We look forward to cooperating with you in the near future.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Różalski".

**Professor Antoni Różalski,
Rector**

UL Authorities



Vice-Rector for Scientific Research
prof. dr hab. Elżbieta Żądzińska

Professor Elżbieta Żądzińska, a biology professor whose main research areas are: human biology of contemporary and historical populations, determinants of population stress and odontology.



Vice-Rector for Domestic and International Co-operation
dr hab. Paweł Starosta, Assoc. Prof.

Professor Paweł Starosta, a sociology professor and the Head of the Department of Rural and Urban Sociology.



Vice-Rector for Education
prof. dr hab. Sławomir Cieślak

Professor Sławomir Cieślak, a jurisprudence professor and an expert on Civil Procedure Law.



Vice-Rector for Student Affairs
dr hab. Tomasz Cieślak, Assoc. Prof.

Professor Tomasz Cieślak, a literary science professor, an expert on twentieth-century and contemporary Polish poetry.



Vice-Rector for Finance
dr hab. Grzegorz Urbanek, Assoc. Prof.

Professor Grzegorz Urbanek, a managerial science professor and the Head of the Division of Company Valuation and Value-Based Management.

Faculty of Philology

University of Lodz, Poland

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Faculty of
Educational Sciences

University of Lodz, Poland





The University of Lodz – a Research University

Research and innovation are top priorities for the University of Lodz. Our university strives to be one of the best higher education institutions in Poland, as well as an academic establishment whose science and research activities are of top quality and known across the world. The UL researchers currently run large scale programmes both in the areas of experimental sciences and humanities – financed by varied national and international grantors.

The University of Lodz constantly increases the number of research grants implemented for individual projects, including the ones carried out in large national and international consortia.

The UL implements more than 70 international research projects (including 10 projects within the Horizon 2020 as a leader in Poland, as well projects co-financed from the EU funds and other grantors). Last year, our university won as many as 135 grants funded from national sources, including 19 financing schemes for international research and structural programmes.

Year 2017 – 22 registered inventions (experimental sciences), 18 patents, 4 trademarks.

Among various academic areas, the UL undertakes strategically defined directions of research, namely:

- new technologies in the fields of energy and IT,
- biomedicine, issues related to health,
- biology, biotechnology, chemistry, physics, mathematics,
- environmental protection and water resources management,
- management and legal aspects of innovations,
- cultural heritage and society,
- processes of upbringing and education.

Power of Humanities

At the University of Lodz, which is a classical university, we fully understand and appreciate the role of Humanities in the modern world. In the year of its 70th Anniversary, our University established a unique academic prize in Poland which is an award for an outstanding piece of work in the field of Humanities.

The Memorial Prize of the First Rector of the University of Lodz Professor Tadeusz Kotarbiński is the award for the best academic paper, which is selected by an independent Competition Jury, consisting of prominent

scientists from several Polish academic centres. Due to the high rank of the Award, the number of competitors grows year by year. Throughout the previous editions, the UL has managed to create an invaluable nationwide network of Humanist researchers who, in the future, will determine the directions of development of their branches of science.

The annual Award Ceremony, which takes place at the Łódź Philharmonic, is the largest celebration related to Humanities in Poland. Winners are accompanied by a unique artistic setting.



At the **University of Lodz**, specialized scientific tests are performed by high quality facilities and modern laboratory equipment



EXAMPLES:

Archeology



the Laboratory of Spectrometry and Thermoluminescence Dating was created in response to the needs for specialized analyses in archaeology, in particular dating of artefacts and objects made of baked clay, which significantly objectifies the scientific process. Currently, the activities of the Laboratory focus on the systematic increase in the precision of TL dating, the implementation of archaeological and architectural research using the TL method to demonstrate its effectiveness in the reconstruction of historical changes, and the introduction of TL / OSL dating to conservation-restoration practice as the basic method of dating brick buildings.

Physics



high-tech laboratories enable the study of graphene and graphene-metal interactions by means of microscopy and tunnel spectroscopy as well as by transmission electron microscopy including Lorentz microscopy.

Chemistry



the Laboratory of Computer and Analytical Techniques performs analysis of metals using atomic absorption spectrometry and specialized software for molecular modeling and 3D visualization; the Laboratory of Electron Microscopy enables performing cytological and ultrastructural analysis of the effect of various physical and chemical factors on biological material.

Biology



the facilities include a unique set of optical equipment for phase-contrast microscopy, fluorescence, confocal and scanning microscopy; apparatus and equipment for the amplification of genetic material; thermocyclers, electrophoresis apparatus, including capillary electrophoresis systems for DNA, RNA and proteins; a multi-function microplate reader; as well as specialized grinders and homogenizers.





Lodz University Press

Lodz University Press, or the publishing house (WUŁ) at the University of Lodz has been in operation for almost 50 years and it is one of Polish academic market leaders. It issues annually over 300 publications that provide didactic, scientific and popular science topics, with particular emphasis on Humanities, social and economic sciences. The authors are primarily academic staff of the University of Lodz, and experts from other academic centres in Poland and abroad. A significant part of the publications are monographs and postdoctoral dissertations as well as periodicals. Cooperating with mass

media, cultural institutions, journalists and bloggers, the Lodz University Press promotes science and culture. Moreover, it cares for the dissemination of research results and scientific content, directing its numerous publications to the Open Access. It also cooperates with over 1000 bookstores across the country.

Lodz University Journals

Lodz University Press issues more than 50 scientific journals. The UL journals are indexed in prestigious databases: SCOPUS, WEB OF SCIENCE, DOAJ, GOOGLE SCHOLAR and EBSCO. The following ones are included in the ERIH PLUS European database:

- Bulletin of the Section of Logic (ISSN: 0138-0680; Philosophy)
- Problems of Literary Genres (ISSN: 0084-4446; Literature)
- Research in Language (ISSN: 2083-4616; Linguistics)
- Comparative Economic Research (ISSN 1508-2008; Economics)



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- European Spatial Research and Policy (ISSN: 1231-1952; Environmental Studies)
- Studia Ceranea.
Journal of the Waldemar Ceran Research Centre for the History and Culture of the Mediterranean Area and South-East Europe (ISSN: 2084-140X; Interdisciplinary Humanities)

Visit the open journal platform:
<https://czasopisma.uni.lodz.pl>

The Library of the University of Lodz (BUŁ) is the largest and most modern of all public libraries in Lodz and the Lodz region. Its collections and well-developed search and information facilities are available to researchers and students of various universities as well as to inhabitants of the region. The UL Library collections (including department libraries) include almost 3,400,000 volumes, and their readership is over 28,000 people. The book collection is multidisciplinary, as it contains documents from all areas of knowledge, with particular focus on the sciences represented at the University of Lodz. The richness and attractiveness of the UL Library is determined by the diversity of its collections. In addition to books and magazines, its resources include carefully compiled manuscripts, autographs, incunabula (XV century), old prints (XVI-XVIII centuries), graphics, bookplates, photographs, atlases, maps, notes, plates, leaflets, posters, artistic books, first editions, etc. The University of Lodz Library enriches its collections not only with the legal deposit and purchases, but also with the exchange of publications within an international network of about 90 libraries and education institutions from 27 countries. In addition to traditional sources, readers have access to digital versions of collections at the Repository and Digital Library of the University of Lodz and to the latest licensed electronic collections, such as databases, magazines and e-books.

Diversity in Education

The University is repeatedly ranked among the top higher education institutions in Poland.

The UL is one of only six Polish Universities which gained a place in the QS World University Rankings.

The University of Lodz strives to keep the high, all-European level of education as well as it successfully adjusts to the changing labour market both in the local and global context. It especially excels in economic, linguistic and legal sciences. Our state accredited programmes ensure perfect environment for our students to build their expertise. The UL offers a wide range of degree studies, ranging from natural sciences through social sciences to humanities. Most popular programmes taught in English are: Computer Science, Business Management, Management and Finance, International Marketing, Asian Studies, Economics and International Business, and Polish-American Executive MBA Programme (cooperation with University of Maryland, USA).

As for degrees studied in the Polish language, the University of Lodz offers 95 programmes and 158 specializations. Modern degrees include Asian Studies, Banking and Digital Finance, Business Linguistics, Cosmetic Chemistry, Data Analysis, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management, Geomonitoring as well as Nanotechnology.

Many programmes were created in cooperation with business entities – Polish and international companies, which are official partners of the University of Lodz. Business experts from international companies consult programme content and run some classes: Infosys, Fujitsu, Clariant, Accenture, Deloitte, HP, LSI Software, Sandoz, CitiBank, Indesit, Skanska, BNP Paribas, Philips, E&Y, PwC.

British International School

of the University of Lodz provides a caring, secure learning environment where children can acquire the skills necessary to lead a fulfilling life. Majority of its pupils are children of international businesspeople who work in Łódź. This is the only school of its kind in the city; it has been accepted as a Cambridge International School and it is accredited by Cambridge International Examinations. At the school, pupils can obtain qualifications such as Cambridge IGCSE and Cambridge International AS and A Levels, recognized by universities and employers around the world.

UL Public High School

is one of the best upper secondary schools in Poland. The teaching staff chiefly consists of the University of Lodz lecturers with long time experience educating both at a university and a high school level. The school educates young people, preparing them for higher studies according

to their individual interests. It has a modern multimedia library with a rich collection of books, including electronic versions (e-books) of assigned readings.

School of Polish for Foreigners

at the University of Lodz is the oldest institution in Poland specializing in teaching Polish language as a foreign language. The school offers Polish courses at all levels of proficiency and various degrees of intensity. Apart from typical language classes, lecturers focus on the practical acquisition of the Polish language. One of the courses, the 9-month preparatory course, is designed for foreign students willing to prepare for medical, technical, economic, agricultural and humanistic studies in Poland. Majority of scholarship holders, granted by Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, finish the school before their degree studies.





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Student-friendly university

The **Office of Career Services** helps students and alumni of the University of Lodz to navigate the job market by supporting the search of internships and jobs and facilitating contact between students and employers. They organize University Job Fairs, trainings, workshops, appointments with employers, as well as provide agreements of elective internships and

career counselling (individuals and groups). Moreover, our students are offered paid internships in key sectors of local industry companies including logistics and transport, BPO, IT, home appliances and R&D.

Recently, the UL has implemented a “**VIP graduate programme**” which is addressed to the group of the most outstanding graduates of the University. It includes mentoring projects for most talented students, regular lectures and classes with VIP graduates as well as reunion meetings. The University also monitors the careers of its graduates – according to our research about 87% MA graduates find a job within one year after graduation!



The University's campus includes the Centre for Physical Education and Sports, which is a modern complex featuring a sports hall, swimming pool, gyms, and a health and beauty salon. Near it, students can find a medical unit, a bank, and varied shops. The Campus also offers housing in 10 dormitories situated in a beautiful green area reasonably close to the city centre, and next to a number of Faculty buildings. The Library of the University of Lodz is one of the largest and most modern libraries in Poland with over 3 million volumes.

University of Lodz presents its students with the best dedicated mobile application in Europe. The **SmartUni app** won an all-European contest in Italy for innovative solutions. It is designed for international

students, as well as candidates for admission and mobility participants. The SmartUni App is an original, interactive guide to all the main areas of student life at the UL, including classes, staff, exchange programmes and university events. The app uses a technological innovation – the Beacon technology – to mark important university places (offices, libraries, dormitories).

American Corner is situated in the Library of the University of Lodz and provides information about the United States. The American Corner is operated in partnership between the University of Lodz and the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw.

Student Research Grants project gives new development opportunities to the scientifically-minded young people. The grants are offered to first and second degree students as financial aid for conducting or presenting scientific research. The project guides the students through the application process for research funding, and within its framework, financing can be obtained for research activities, conferences, publishing or thesis projects.

Supporting culture: the University of Lodz is a hub of cultural life, open to art and activities outside academic concerns. It provides patronage for numerous concerts, takes part in festivals and participates in the cultural life of the city and region.

#UniversityDiversity

The **“University Diversity”** project has been appreciated by experts, both countrywide and internationally:

proMYKi Award, June 2017 (Poland)

– distinction for promotional actions for higher education (by the PROM Association for PR and Promotion of Polish Universities)

EUPRIO Award, July 2017 (EU) –

third prize for outstanding university communication projects (by the EUPRIO “European Universities Public Relations and Information Officers” Association)

The University of Lodz aims at integrating and sharing its diversity – in this way the university makes a difference to the social and economic well-being of its community through the research, teaching, and public events and activities. We promote equality through diversity that enriches: people of 95 nationalities study at the University of Lodz! We build academic community around the values of respect for cultural, religious and community identities as well as social sensitivity. The University strives to form active global citizens who think critically, understand the complexity and the diversity of perspectives which underline most global problems. The UL – a University that is tolerant, engaged, responsible, focusing its actions on intercultural and social integration. The University of Lodz initiated the project called University Diversity which aims to integrate the academic community and in particular exchange students. A lot of activities promoting diversity are being incorporated in the academic life of the university.

The University of Lodz has been promoting and initiating activities related to social responsibility for many years. This comes through a variety of projects addressed to different groups of stakeholders including students, university employees, local society and business. The University of Lodz was among the first universities in Poland that signed the Declaration of Social Responsibility. It is a confirmation of the commitment to the idea of social responsibility in the academic community. The document indicates the most important directions of development and activities for social responsibility that can be considered at universities. One of its aspects is spreading the idea of equality, diversity, tolerance and respect for human rights, in all the areas of academic life.



„Christmas Guest”

UL staff and students bring international guests home for the Holiday



UL International Cook Book

International students share recipes from their home countries



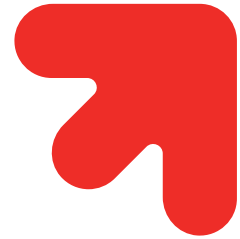
„Why Lodz?”

UL international students explain „Why Lodz?” during the diversity poster session



BBQ

Newly arrived students at a welcome BBQ



International Cooperation Strategy

University of Lodz puts great importance on its international relations. The UL cooperates with over 250 partner institutions from all over the world within institutional bilateral agreements. And it is with even a greater number of European universities that our institution participates in the Erasmus+ programme, which promotes staff and student mobility. The range of existing cooperation includes mutual research projects, dual diplomas, and exchange of academic staff and students. In its strategy, the University of Lodz focuses on developing strong partnerships that foster long lasting and deep relationships worldwide.

The institution regularly hosts visiting professors, guest speakers, renowned politicians, businessmen and cultural representatives from Poland and abroad. During recent years, it was honoured by such visitors as Andrzej Wajda (Polish film and theatre director, recipient of an Honorary Oscar Award), Margaret Thatcher, José Manuel Barroso, Amos Oz, Joachim Gauck (President of Germany) and Umberto Eco. The University of Lodz boasts to be one of the most internationalized universities in Poland.

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