



**SLOVAK
UNIVERSITY
OF AGRICULTURE
IN NITRA**



SLOVENSKA POLNOHOSPODARSKA UNIVERZA

Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra

Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra is a modern, respected and competitive educational and scientific research institution, unique in its profile, historical roots, but also with its future.

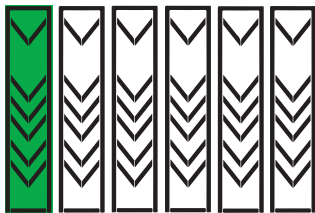
It has the right to award academic degrees in bachelor, master and doctoral study programmes. Students gain knowledge at its six faculties with a broad range of study programmes ranging from biological sciences to economics and garden architecture. Sustainable development, environmental protection, preservation of natural wealth and biodiversity, as well as human health through high-quality nutrition and safe food production, landscape creation, ecology, efficient agriculture and rural areas are timeless values that underpin educational and scientific research activities of the SUA in Nitra.

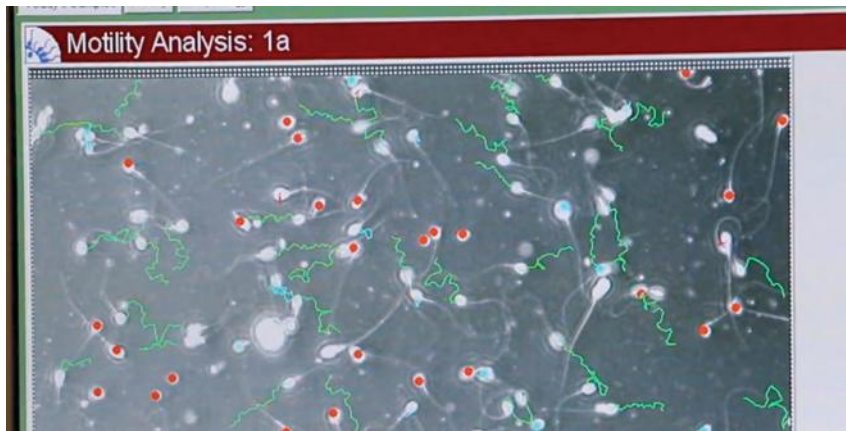




Faculty of Agrobiology and Food Resources

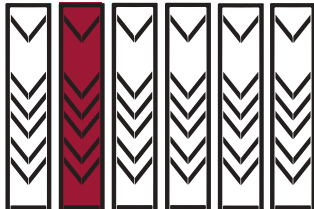
The faculty prepares specialists focusing on the creation, use, protection and utilization of food resources of plant and animal origin by developing and applying biological, ecological, technical and economic principles of functionality and knowledge of sustainable agroecosystems. The faculty uses scientific knowledge to regulate agricultural systems and subsystems, technological processes in plant and animal production, production quality, biodiversity protection, the environment and development of biosecurity and scientific human nutrition.





Faculty of Biotechnology and Food Sciences

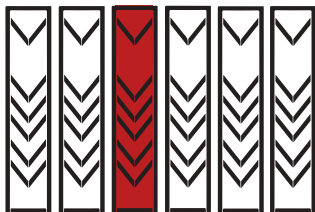
Its main mission is to educate and train qualified professionals focused on mastering the latest knowledge of biological, chemical and technological sciences, with an emphasis on modern methods of production, evaluation and processing of food and specific biotechnology products. From the point of view of targeted, effective and compatible scientific and research activities, the faculty focuses on the area of current programmes of genomics, modern biotechnologies and food quality and safety. Its main objective is to achieve the biological and technological integrity of the “agricultural product – food” system.





Faculty of Economics and Management

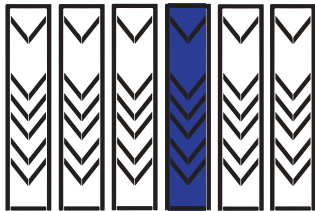
Its mission is to disseminate education, scientific knowledge, and educate highly skilled and linguistically competent experts in the field of business economics, business management, marketing approaches in business, banking and financial markets, international business policies, accounting and information systems that will continue to develop knowledge and skills in practice. Internationalization in the field of education and research, original accredited study programmes at all levels of study, good application of students in practice and active cultural and sporting student life, these are all the characteristics of the faculty, which belongs to the excellent economic faculties in the Slovak Republic.





Faculty of European Studies and Regional Development

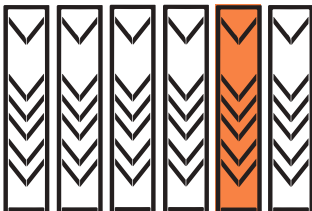
The faculty prepares experts in the field of European Union policies, regional development, rural development and rural tourism and environmental management. Its graduates are mainly employed in state administration, in regional and local government, they act as project managers within micro-regions, as managers of tourism businesses and others. The Faculty is intensively involved in international cooperation. It participates in international education “International Master of Rural Development” with the possibility of obtaining a joint diploma of the SUA in Nitra with universities in Ghent, Pisa, Berlin, Rennes and Wageningen. It is the seat of the “Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence”. The faculty was awarded the EU J. Monnet Plaque for the quality of education in European integration.

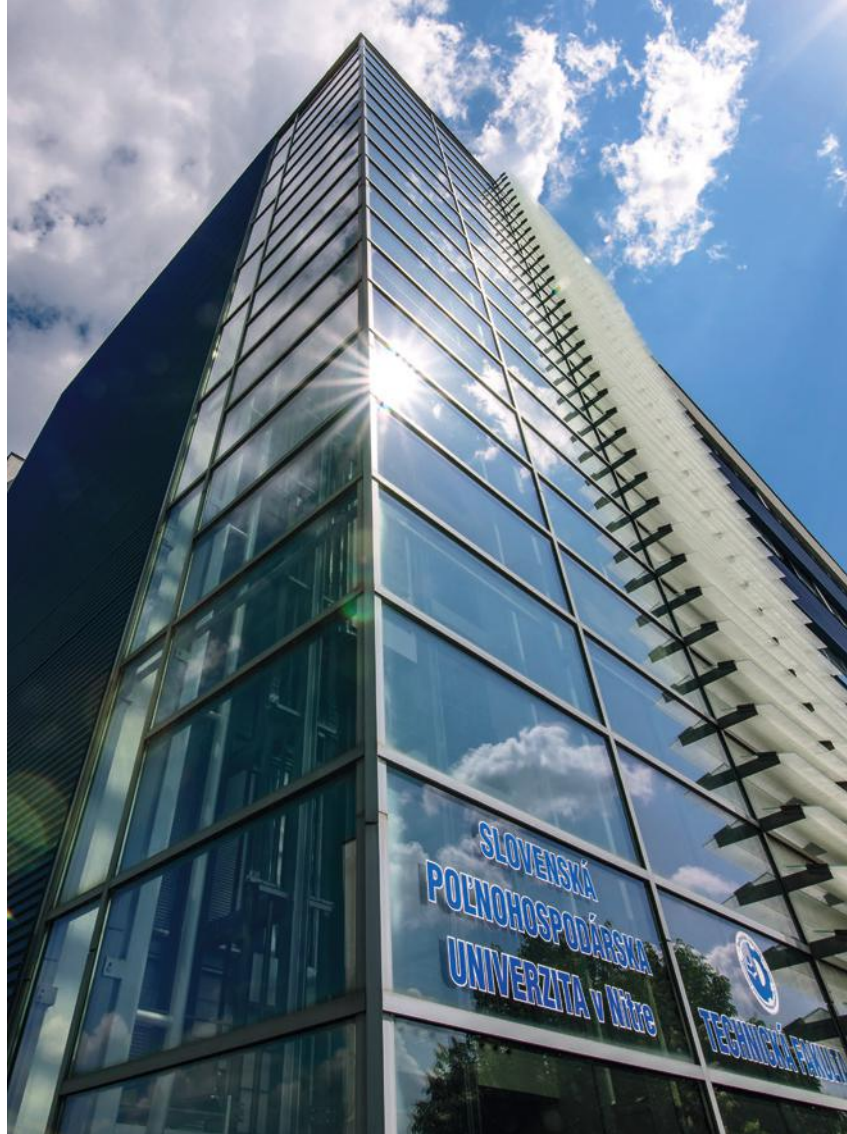




Faculty of Horticulture and Landscape Engineering

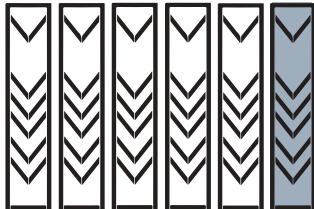
The faculty focuses on the education of specialists in the field of horticultural production and technology in fruit growing, viticulture, vegetable growing and floriculture, environmental measures in the agricultural landscape, the issue of integrated water management in the country, design of land consolidation with application of geographic information systems, as well as designing and biotechnical activities with application for garden, park and landscape architecture.





Faculty of Engineering

The faculty prepares skilled technical engineers of technical focus, experts in the issues of production quality, agricultural technology, transport machinery and equipment and production technology. Its graduates significantly contribute to the technical development of agricultural primary production, the creation of new technology, as well as to the improvement of the operation of enterprises for the processing of agricultural products, sales and service facilities or automotive industry.





AGROBIOTECH

VÝSKUMNÉ CENTRUM
SPU V NITRE

RESEARCH CENTRE
SUA IN NITRA



Science and Research

The scientific research activity of the SUA in Nitra has its long-standing tradition. It is a space for realization of freedom of thought, creativity of individuals and teams, through creation of new knowledge of causes and laws in nature and society, applied in new technologies, modernization of teaching, in search of common language with business sphere, state administration, in development of international cooperation. Research projects are mainly associated with the knowledge of biological, technical, economic and social phenomena and patterns. They aim to make better use of biological potential of plants and animals, safe food production and other needs of our population with regard to rural development, landscape conservation and creation, the environment, natural resources and cultural heritage.

The AgroBioTech Research Centre has made a significant contribution to improving applied research in agronomic, biological and technological sciences not only through the modernization of laboratory equipment, but also by modernizing of the attitude to research challenges and the use of innovative techniques and technologies.





International Relations

The SUA has extensive contacts with universities and scientific research institutions around the world. The implementation of international cooperation is very diverse. This includes participation in international programmes and projects, bilateral agreements and inter-university contacts with foreign partners worldwide.

The university regularly organizes professional and social events. Its campus, unique with its architectural design, which has been standing here since the 1960s, is a symbol of the university, but also of the city of Nitra.





SUA Campus – National Cultural Monument

By the decision of the Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic of April 11, 2014, nine buildings of the SUA in Nitra campus were declared national cultural monuments. The university campus, built between 1961 and 1966 according to the project of architects Vladimír Dedeček and Rudolf Miňovský from 1959, is one of the most important realizations of this kind in Slovakia and at the same time one of the best quality works of domestic post-war modernism. Its architectural qualities, the use of new building and construction technologies make it a unique work of European architecture. The theme of the SUA assembly hall is also depicted on a post stamp issued by the Slovak Post in 2017 within the issue of the Cultural Heritage of Slovakia. The author of the design of the stamp is the academic painter Igor Benca, the author of the engraving is František Horniak.





University Workplaces

BOTANICAL GARDEN

In addition to tropical and subtropical species, collections of this teaching and research facility, include plants of temperate zone and domestic flora, and as one of the few botanical gardens in the country, it also collects fruit trees and agricultural crops. The botanical garden also focuses on the study of endangered plant species in Slovakia.

The Botanical Garden also includes a university vivarium with more than 40 different species of exotic animals.

EXPERT INSTITUTE

The institute provides forensic reports and expert services in these fields: environmental protection, food industry, water management. Expert services are provided by the experts of the institute as well as by professionally competent persons in the Board of Guarantors and in the Council of Consultants of the SUA Expert Institute.





SUA UNIVERSITY FARM LTD. KOLÍŇANY

The university Farm Ltd. Kolíňany creates excellent conditions for practical training of students, verifies the results of scientific research activities and creates professional experience on its area of 2100 hectares.

SUA EDITORIAL CENTRE

The Centre publishes scientific and professional literature for the needs of the SUA in Nitra. It is mainly the study literature (monographs, publications, textbooks) focusing on the latest knowledge in the field of agriculture and other related disciplines following the orientation of the university and individual faculties.

SLOVAK AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY

The library is a place where a wealth of information resources as well as a pleasant learning environment can be found. Along with printed books and magazines, it offers a wide range of e-books and e-journals from almost all fields of science. Services for students with specific needs include, for example, library assistance services, assistance facilities and technical aids (an electronic reading magnifier, etc.) or digital copies of study materials.





UNIVERSITY SPORT CENTRE

In addition to physical education in subjects: fitness body training, express fit, floorball, football, swimming, weight lifting , volleyball, interval aqua-aerobics, the centre organizes sports courses, children sports camps, workshops for employees and general public. In collaboration with the Association of Sports Clubs Slávia, it provides sports at a mass and recreational level.

CENTRE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

It provides the operation and development of information and communication technologies at SUA, university information system, records, operation and service of computer hardware and software. The tasks of the Centre also include the construction and operation of the regional node of the Slovak computer network SANET.

STUDENT DORMITORIES AND CANTEENS

The Slovak University of Agriculture provides its students with accommodation in student dormitories Mladost', Antona Bernoláka, Akademická and Poľnohospodár with a total capacity of more than 2200 beds. There are TV and computer rooms, study rooms, kitchenettes, laundry rooms and cafeterias. Sports activities can be realized at sport grounds near dormitories, a gym and a table tennis room. Meals are served in the canteens located in the dormitories Mladost' and A. Bernoláka.





Free Time

Life at university is not just sitting over textbooks or in the lecture rooms. The university students have a wide range of ways to spend their free time, relax, engage in sports or hobbies. The SUA supports student art groups and interest groups and creates conditions for the creation of new ones. There is a folklore ensemble Zobor, "Divadielko na Osmičke" theatre, Dormitory radio studio, Dormitory TV studio Mladost', Club of dance sport, hunting club Buteo, cynological club, Falconry of St. Svorad, the Slovak Red Cross Youth Association, FONS Catholic Youth Club, University Bible Fellowship and others. Interesting activities in the field of international contacts are offered by local branches of student interest and professional organizations AIESEC, ELASA and Erasmus Student Network.

Spring and autumn student days with professional, cultural, social and sporting events organized by both Nitra universities together with the city of Nitra, have a long tradition. One of the most popular events is the carnival parade of the streets of Nitra, matriculation ball or the exhibition ice hockey match.





Sports

The Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra has good sports opportunities on its own premises. There is a multipurpose sports hall, a 25-meter indoor swimming pool, activity studio, fitness centre, tennis courts and beach-volleyball court. Students can choose from basketball, volleyball, floorball, korfbal, swimming, tennis, fitness and other activities. Various sports units and clubs operate under the auspices of the Association of Sports Clubs Slávia SUA. All students interested in participating in sports at the top level can do volleyball, basketball, swimming, chess, tennis, body-building, fitness, canoeing, triathlon and horse riding. SUA VKP Bystrina volleyball players, SUA BKM basketball players and SUA ŠK Slávia DFA Nitra floorball players regularly accomplish significant achievements in top competitions.



From the Life of Our University

DRIVING SCHOOL AKADÉMIA

It is a part of the organizational structure of the Faculty of Engineering at the Department of Traffic Education and Services. Its main activity is providing quality training of those who want to obtain a driving license in all categories, as well as specific trainings. As a part of these courses the centre provides theoretical and practical training in driving and practical maintenance of vehicles, as well as additional trainings and training rides for inexperienced holders of a driving license.

ACCESSIBILITY

The SUA is a university which eliminates barriers causing problems to people with disabilities. It relates to students, teachers, staff and the senior citizens that visit the university within the lifelong learning. The result is the improvement of the overall accessibility and comfort in the university premises (lifts, inclined platforms and adapted sanitary facilities), access to information technologies or information for visually and hearing impaired visitors, and the improvement of human approach to addressing the everyday concerns of disabled students in the faculties.

FOLKLORE FESTIVAL AKADEMICKÁ NITRA

SUA values the preservation of traditions. Preservation of the cultural heritage in the form of folklore is one of the means together with organizing a unique international festival of academic folklore groups called Akademická Nitra. In 2018 it was held for the 41st year. On the stage of the Andrej Bagar Theatre and in the streets of Nitra the unique world of folk music, dances and customs of our ancestors were presented to the folklore fans.

HIPPOLOGY AND RIDING CENTER

Hippology is one of the accredited study programmes of the Faculty of Agrobiology and Food Resources. It focuses on the study of biological and physiological aspects of horse breeding. Students have the opportunity to gain knowledge about genetics of horse breeding, hygiene, training, nutrition and feeding of horses. They also have the opportunity to study modern therapeutic methods of hippotherapy. The Riding and Training Centre of SUA is a part of the horse breeding collection of the University Farm in Kolíňany. It serves as a scientific as well as educational centre giving the students the opportunity to get closer to these noble animals.





CLUB OF AGRICULTURAL PROFESSIONALS

Club of Agricultural professionals at SUA was established in 1999. It represents an open independent organization based on voluntary membership. The club aims to actively support cooperation among the university, its staff and businesses, domestic as well as foreign scientific and research institutions of the agro-food sector. Each natural person holding a university degree working in agro sector, agricultural education, research and services can become a member.

MBA DEGREE IN AGRIBUSINESS AND COMMERCE

The Faculty of Economics and Management of the Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra offers an MBA study programme accredited by the International network of cooperating universities all over the world called AGRIMBA, under the auspices of Wageningen University, the Netherlands. All graduates of bachelor or master level study with at least intermediate level of English language can join the MBA in Agribusiness and Commerce programme based on part-time study. It lasts four semesters and is completed by the defence of the final project. After successful defence the participants will be awarded the title MBA.



NITRA SUMMER UNIVERSITY

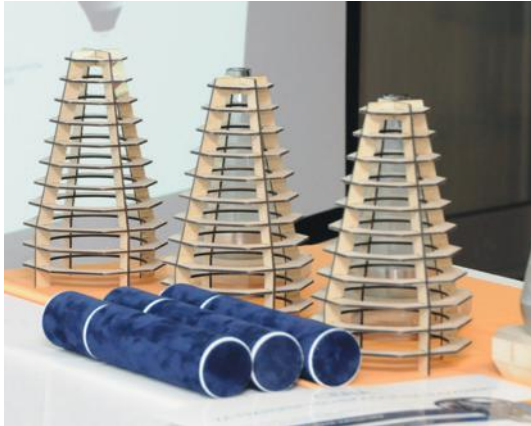
The project “Nitra Summer University” organized by the SUA and the Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra in cooperation with the city of Nitra is intended for children aged 8–11 and is popular with the public. During the ten days, children become familiar with the academic environment in a playful and creative way. All little graduates learn a lot and receive a certificate Academicus Nitriensis Jr.

GRADUATION

The culmination of study, a moment when the graduate of the SUA is getting a diploma, is accompanied with festive atmosphere, smiles, flowers as well as tears of joy. Graduation at our alma mater is a real experience. More than 85 thousand of our graduates from the mid of 20th century can prove it. They like to meet again at the university even after years.







STUDENT SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY

The combination of education with scientific work is an obvious part of university life. The first step is to participate in Student Scientific Activity. Students can compete in various experiments, evaluation of experiments and in presentation to the public.

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

The so called University of the Third Age is also traditional part of the SUA lifelong education. It offers study programmes in gardening, practical gardening, flower binding and arranging, food and consumer, English, accounting, informatics for the elderly, law and psychology, relaxation exercise for the elderly of 50+. As a part of the Rural Third Age University project, interest education is available to seniors living in rural communities without the opportunity to regularly attend courses at SUA.

POLŇNOHOSPODÁR

The SUA newspaper has been continuously informing about the events at the university for over 60 years keeping the chronicle of the alma mater. It covers news from the university management, educational process, from science and development as well as from students' life, culture and sport. It is also available on www.polnohospodar.sk

VISEGRAD UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION

VUA was founded in 2011 by the initiative of the SUA. The role of the association is to link the partner universities in order to create good conditions for education and research and to initiate closer cooperation of the countries of the Visegrad Group and cooperating regions. VUA currently unites more than 60 member universities from 23 countries around the world. Within the association, VUA YOUTH was founded as a section supporting activities and suggestions of students and PhD students in the planned activities of the Association.

FOLKLORE ENSEMBLE ZOBOR

Hundreds of students of our alma mater have performed in the Zobor folklore ensemble since 1956. In their dancing and singing performances they present the customs and traditions of the Nitra region as well as other Slovak regions such as Gemer, Liptov, Eastern Slovakia and the Upper Hron Region. Folklore ensemble Zobor has performed hundreds of performances both in Slovakia and abroad and participated in folklore tours and competitions.



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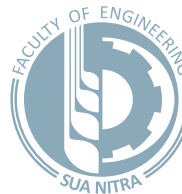
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