

University of West Bohemia, Pilsen

Use the information below to give a presentation of your University.

- Mission:**
- to contribute to the development of society through providing excellent education and leading-edge research and through fostering ethical standards and freedom of speech
 - to contribute to the all-round development of the City of Pilsen and the Pilsen Region through close partnership with the City, Region, alumni, and private as well as state-owned enterprises
 - to maintain close links with the international academic and research communities
- Core values:**
- democracy and academic freedom
 - professionalism and discipline
 - economic efficiency and ethics
 - specialization and universality
 - knowledge and its applicability
 - firm roots in the Pilsen Region, the country and Europe
- Governance:**
- **Rector** (responsible to the President of the Republic and accountable to the Senate for performance of his/her duties)
 - **Academic Senate** (approves internal regulations, the budget and annual report)
 - **Board of Directors**
- Current head:** doc. Dr. RNDr. Miroslav Holeček
- Brief history:**
- Institute of Technology**
- was founded in 1949 as a branch of the Czech Technical University in Prague
 - became an independent institution in 1953
 - was divided into two faculties (Electrical and Mechanical Engineering) in 1960
- College of Education**
- was founded in 1948 as a part of Charles University
 - became an independent institution in 1964
- University of West Bohemia**
- was founded in 1991 through the merger of the Institute of Technology and the College of Education
 - comprised 5 faculties at that time:
Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Education,

and two newly founded faculties - Faculty of Applied Sciences and Faculty of Economics

Number of students at the time of the University's foundation:

4,200

Number of students now:

over 12,000

Faculties:

- 1. Faculty of Applied Sciences**
- 2. Faculty of Economics**
- 3. Faculty of Education**
- 4. Faculty of Electrical Engineering**
- 5. Faculty of Health Care Studies**
- 6. Faculty of Law**
- 7. Faculty of Mechanical Engineering**
- 8. Faculty of Philosophy and Arts**
- 9. Ladislav Sutnar Faculty of Design and Art**

Institutes

Institute of Applied Language Studies
New Technologies – Research Centre

Degrees awarded:

Bachelor's , Master's, Ph.D.; Honorary Doctorates

Certificate programmes:

- sets of optional courses
- students can choose between individual courses and the whole programme
- on completing the programme the student receives a certificate as a supplement to his/her diploma

Length of study:

Bachelor's degree - 3 years, Master's degree - 2 years, Ph.D. degree - 4 years

Forms of study:

full-time, part-time/distance

Research centres:

(financed from the Operational Programme *Research and Development for Innovations*)

NTIS: New Technologies for the Information Society (project of the Faculty of Applied Sciences)

RICE: Regional Innovation Centre for Electrical Engineering (project of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering)

RTI: Regional Technological Institute (project of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering)

CENTEM: New Technologies and Materials Centre (project of the New Technologies – Research Centre)

Annual events:

Art Camp (organized by the Ladislav Sutnar Faculty of Design and Art)

International Summer Language School (organized by the International Office)

Days of Science and Technology in Pilsen

(outreach activity: popularization of science through visits to UWB departments and through practical demonstrations and hands-on experience in the streets of Pilsen)

Job Fair (students meet representatives of companies to discuss career opportunities)

Alumni Day (held every two years; meetings of alumni with representatives of senior management, tour of University, lectures by prominent alumni)