

THE FACULTY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS OF BRATISLAVA

FACULTY HISTORY

- 1953/54 The predecessor of today's faculty was established under the name, the Faculty of General Economy of the School of Economics (SE). There were two areas of study: Political Economy and National Economic Planning.
- 1959/60 The School of Economics was reorganized and the Faculty was renamed as the Faculty of Political Economy. The programs of studies of Finance and Loans and Accounting were added.
- 1968 The Faculty was renamed as the Faculty of National Economy.
- 1980 The Faculty assumed its current title – the Faculty of National Economy.

PROFILE AND STRUCTURE OF THE FACULTY

The Faculty occupies a permanently important position in Slovakia regarding the education of economists and national economists. The student population of the Faculty is approximately 3,250 and the full time teachers and other employees number more than 130. The core activity of the Faculty involves the gaining, creating and developing of theoretical and empirical knowledge of market economics and particularly the economy of the Slovak Republic.

The pedagogical and research activities of the Faculty comply with the long term tradition oriented on the national-economic (macroeconomic) level of the national economy and on the interaction between the national-economic level and the business sphere (the macro-micro connection) of economic theory, economic policy, banking, public business and international finance, insurance, social development and social work, regional development and public administration, pedagogy and on the introduction of informatization and information technology in the decision-making processes with the goal of preparing conceptual experts in this direction for all levels of the operation of the national economy.

DEPARTMENTS

- Department of Economic Theory
- Department of Economic Policy
- Department of Finance
- Department of Banking and International Finance
- Department of Insurance
- Department of Public Administration and Regional Development
- Department of Social Development and Labor
- Department of Pedagogy
- Department of Applied Informatics and Computing Technology

FACULTY MANAGEMENT

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STUDYING AT THE FACULTY

System of Study

Study at the university is provided through accredited study programs of the faculties on three levels.

Bachelor's study is the first level and generally takes three years to complete. During this time, students must gain at least 180 credits. Upon successful completion of the state examination, which also includes the Bachelor's work defense, students receive the title Bc.

Master's study is the second level and generally takes two years to complete. During this time, students must gain at least 120 credits. Upon successful completion of the state examination, which also includes the Master's thesis defense, students receive the title Ing.

Students who complete their Master's degree may apply for doctoral study, which is the third level and generally takes three years to complete for full-time students and five years for part-time students. Upon successful completion of the dissertation defense, students receive the title PhD.

In 1995 the faculty adopted the credit system of study, which became compatible with the European ECTS standard in 2005.

Accredited Bachelor's Fields of Study and Study Programs

Fields of Study

Finance, Banking and Investment

Insurance

National Economy

Teaching of Specialised Subjects

and Practical Preparation

Public Administration and Regional Development

Study Programs

Finance, Banking and Investment

Insurance

National Economy

Human Resources in Socio-economic Development

Teaching of Practical Economic Subjects

Public Administration and Regional Development

PROFILES OF GRADUATES

Finance, Banking and Investment

This program provides students with information from the business-economic national-economic fields as well as from other related subjects including public finance, banking, tax, insurance and financial markets. The goal is to prepare financial, banking and investment experts who will be capable of analyzing and solving theoretical and practical problems from the above mentioned areas.

National Economy

Graduates will have comprehensive skills relating to national-economic issues. They will be able to master quantification methods and know how to creatively assess the basic aspects of economic policy and their practical application. They will be particularly qualified to work in the main offices of state and self-governing administrations and in large companies.

Human Resources in Socio-economic Development

Graduates will have a socio-economic orientation and a mastery of economic and social policies, which will aid them in management level decision making. They will be qualified to resolve issues of human resource management in the main offices of state and self-governing administrations and companies.

Insurance

Graduates will be skilled in resolving questions related to planning processes, accounting and marketing within the insurance sector. They will be qualified to work in insurance companies and financial institutions.

Public Administration and Regional Development

Graduates will have a mastery of the basic theories, concepts and facts of the general system of economy and economics, with a particular emphasis on its regional and local sub-systems. They will be able to apply their knowledge in compiling expert reports for the acceptance of public administration decisions. They will be qualified to work on all levels in departments with-

in the organizational structure of public administration, other public administration corporations, non-profit organizations and in companies dealing with regional and local development.

Teaching of Practical Economic Subjects

This program prepares teachers of economic subjects at secondary schools, especially secondary business schools. The foundation of study on this level involves the mastery of national-economic and business economic sciences and the attaining of skills in the fields of philosophy, ethics, esthetics, rhetoric and especially in pedagogical, psychological and didactic disciplines.

Accredited Master's Fields of Study and Study Programs

Fields of Study

1. Finance, Banking and Investment
2. Insurance
3. National Economy
4. Teaching of Specialised Subjects and Practical Preparation
5. Public Administration and Regional Development

Study Programs

- 1.1 Banking
- 1.2 Finance
- 1.3 Tax and Taxation Consultancy
- 2.1 Insurance
- 3.1 Economic Theory and Economic Journalism
- 3.2 Economic Policy
- 3.3 Social Development and Social Policy
- 4.1 Teaching of Practical Economic Subjects
- 5.1 Public Administration and Regional Development

PROFILES OF GRADUATES

Banking

This study is oriented on acquiring deep theoretical and practical knowledge especially from banking and currency policy. Graduates will be qualified to work as specialists in the central bank, commercial banks, financial market institutions, international financial institutions and investment companies and funds.

Finance

Graduates are profiled for the field of entrepreneurial and public finance. They will also acquire the necessary level of knowledge from banking and taxation. They will be qualified to work in practice as specialists – financial economists for the private and public sectors, financial market and as financial experts in central bodies of state administration and in bodies and organizations of public administration.

Tax and Taxation Consultancy

Graduates will gain knowledge from finance, banking and especially special knowledge from taxation and tax consultancy. After completion of their study they will be qualified to work as tax analysts and consultants, solve questions of tax administration and work as specialists in tax offices and directorates, in companies oriented on tax consultancy and auditing and in the private financial sector.

Economic Policy

Graduates will acquire thorough knowledge of modern economic theories, methods of macroeconomic analysis and forecasting and specific economic policies and integration processes in Europe and the world. They will be qualified to work as national economy analysts in central bodies of state administration and as analysts in financial institutions and national and international companies.

Economic Theory and Economic Journalism

Graduates of this study program will be highly qualified experts – economists with deep theoretical knowledge and basic practical macroeconomic and microeconomic skills. At the same time, they will acquire theoretical and practical knowledge necessary for work as journalists or experts in various forms of mass media as economic editors.

Social Development and Social Policy

Graduates are profiled in the spirit of the new trends and approaches that globalization and competition at the European labor market have brought. They will be qualified to work in institutions, research facilities and NGOs focusing on social issues.

Insurance

Graduates will master the theory and practice of insurance and will be prepared to analyze and forecast economic processes in insurance companies and make decisions regarding the activities and economic issues of insurance company operations including international aspects of supervising insurance institutions.

Public Administration and Regional Development

Graduates will be qualified to independently solve interdisciplinary issues characteristic of the execution of public administration on all its levels. They will be able to work in international institutions, in central, regional and local institutions of public administration and in the public and non-profit sectors.

Teaching of Specialized Economic Subjects

Graduates of this study program will have at their disposal knowledge from specialized scientific disciplines the contents of which they shall teach as secondary school teachers at individual types of secondary technical and apprentice schools.

Accredited Doctoral Fields of Study and Study Programs

Fields of Study

1.1.10 Sectional Didactics

3.3.2 History of National Economy

3.3.3 Economic Theory

3.3.4 Forecasting

3.3.5 Public Administration and Regional Development

3.3.7 Finance

3.3.8 Insurance

Study Programs

Theory of Economic Education

History of National Economy

Economic Theory

Economic Policy

Forecasting

Public Administration and Regional Development

Finance and Banking

Insurance

Programs of Studies for Habilitation and Inauguration Proceedings

Through the decision of the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic as of March 7, 2006, the faculty is authorized carry out **habilitation and inauguration proceedings** (to submit proposals for appointments of senior lecturers and professors) in the following four programs of studies:

1. National Economy
2. Economic Theory
3. Finance, Banking and Investment
4. Sectional Didactics

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Teachers and research workers of the faculty focus on the following circles of issues within the framework of scientific research activities:

- **Convergence** – the analysis and assessment of nominal convergence and real convergence of the Slovak economy
- **Issues connected with membership in the Euro zone**
- **Segments of the economic policy of Slovakia within the European Union**
- **Support of factors of long-term growth of the economy**
- **Support of the competitiveness of the economy of the Slovak Republic**
- **Minimizing of financial risks** – separately for the circle of public finance and for entrepreneurial subjects

- **Operation of the banking sector and the financial market**
- **Consequences of the aging of the population**
- **Imbalance of the labor market**
- **Social stratification of society and the quality of life**
- **System of social protection**
- **Methodological issues of the insurance market**
- **Regional development, regional competitiveness**
- **Decentralization of public administration** – analysis of the decentralization of public administration in the fragmented residential structure of the Slovak Republic

In addition to research targeted on the issues of economic theory and practice, the following research activities serving to improve pedagogical work and the development of pedagogical science is carried out at the Faculty:

- use of modern information and communications means in the educational process;
- methodological and content elaboration of a textbook and practice for thorough preparation for ECDL certification;
- research on a selected sample of teachers in the pedagogical practice;
- elaboration of standards for the education and further education of teachers of technical economic subjects for secondary schools.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

International programs are among the key activities of the faculty. For a long time they have been one of the instruments that enable mobility programs for teachers, the faculty and graduate and undergraduate students. The faculty has participated in several international programs and bilateral programs of cooperation with European universities. Workplaces of the FNE UEB participate in the program of Life Long Education – of the Erasmus program and in the Leonardo da Vinci, CEEPUS and other European educational programs.

Projects Implemented at the FNE UEB

- Erasmus – Program of Life Long Education
Intensive Program on European Integration
- ESF Project Internationalization of Education for Economists and Managers
The faculty participates in this project through the draft of two pilot courses (Banking – 5 subjects and Finance – 5 subjects) in English.
- Organizing of common international conferences with foreign universities

In the 2008/2009 academic year, the faculty will offer students of the University of Economics and foreign students studying at the university the following subjects in foreign languages:

English

- Economic Theory
- Human Resources Development
- International Taxation
- Macroeconomics
- Economic Models in International Finance
- Regional Economics and Policy
- The Economics of Network Industries
- The History of Economic Thoughts
- Local Finance
- Sustainable Development
- Theory and Politics of Business Finance
- Capital Structure of Companies

- Financial Programming
- International Finance

German

- Finanzen und Wahrung
- Kapitalstruktur der Unternehmung

French

- L'Economie generale
- Politique sociale europeenne
- Macroeconomie

Russian

- Obšaja ekonomičeskaja teorija

Professors from European and American universities lecture at the faculty every year. The foreign lecturers in the past academic years included:

- Gerald Groshek, University of Redlands, USA
- Colin Lawson, University of Bath, Great Britain
- Adrian Winnett, University of Bath, Great Britain
- Bulcroft Kris, Western Washington University, USA
- Salin Pascal, Universite Paris-Dauphine, Paris, France
- De Borger, Bruno, University of Antwerp, Belgium
- Tomáš Ježek, Karlova Universita, Prague, the Czech Republic
- Bart Wilson, Chapman University, USA

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