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UCU is the first Catholic university on post-Soviet territory and the leading independent university in Ukraine. UCU is growing rapidly: over the last 10 years, UCU has **tripled** its number of bachelor's degree programs (from 3 to 10), and the number of master's degree programs has grown **6 times** (from 3 to 17).

UCU receives no financing from the government. It exists exclusively thanks to charitable donations by people of good will all over the world (65-75% contributions to the university) and tuition paid by students (25-35%). Over the 25 years of its existence, the university has been supported by **20 000 benefactors**.



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Our founders are **Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky** and **Patriarch Josyf Slipyj**. UCU is the heir of the Lviv Theological Academy, created in 1928, suppressed by the Soviet occupiers in 1939, and revived in 1994.



The university has grown from 400 square meters in 1994 to 29 525 square meters in 2017, thanks to the construction of a modern university campus. In 2018, UCU began building a second student dormitory, Collegium II.

UCU's Theology program is the only one in Ukraine with international accreditation for the full cycle of theological studies (from bachelor's to doctorate) from the Congregation for Catholic Education in Rome.

In 2018, UCU had 352
entering first-year students,
48% of whom were in the top 5% of
high school graduates in Ukraine.
Scholarships were received by
147 first-year students.

Of the graduates of the UCU Lviv Business School (LvBS), **96%** consider their studies to have been a worthwhile investment, and 92% agree that they made significant personal development at LvBS.

In 2017-2018, more than 15% of UCU's students took advantage of international academic mobility and gained important experience studying abroad.

A team of students of UCU's Master's Program in Data Science for the third year in a row placed in the finals of the Queen's International Innovation Challenge in Toronto. In 2017, the students were in first place among 111 teams from all over the world, in 2016 in second place among 300 teams, and in 2018 two teams of UCU students competed, winning second and third places.



UCU has more than
3 000 graduates, including 3 UGCC bishops, entrepreneurs and IT specialists, business analysts, journalists, reporters, scholars, and many others.

UCU devotes much attention not only to the quality of education but to students' personal development. Located on the main campus, the Collegium, a unique site for common living and interaction, houses more than 200 students.

UCU has more than

140 academic partners from the whole world. In 2017, UCU had more than 150 guest professors, and 58 foreign volunteers helped in student education.

UCU has **1747 students**, 30% of whom are from outside the Lviv region.

Some **160 foreigners** studied in 2018 at the university's School of Ukrainian Language and Culture.



UCU's Journalism School was recognized as the best among faculties of journalism in Ukraine in 2016 according to the results of research on the quality of journalistic education done by Detector Media.

The Sheptytsky Center was named **"Face of the City of Lviv"** in 2017.

UCU Vice-Rector Oleh Turiy
was honored with the cross
"For Church and Pope."
This is the highest award that the
Vatican State presents to laypeople
in the Catholic Church.



In 2018, UCU's entrants had the top average standardized test score among all institutions of higher education in Ukraine.

Sophia Opatska, Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs and founder of the UCU Lviv Business School, won the annual CEEMAN Champion Awards – 2018.



In 2017, UCU was included in the book "The 10 Most Successful Ukrainian Brands," a list of the best companies and organizations in Ukraine that set the pace in their various fields.

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