



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

ABOUT MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF GDAŃSK



POLAND

WHO WE ARE

The Medical University of Gdańsk (MUG) is a modern academic centre recognisable on a national and international scale. It has been providing high quality education in all medical professions and conducting world-class scientific research.

The MUG is one of only a few Polish universities to be recognised in four major academic rankings, i.e. Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU), QS World University Rankings, THE World University Rankings, and U.S. News Best Global Universities Rankings. Following the path of sustainable development, the MUG has also been featured in the prestigious THE Impact Ratings.

The University also places great importance on supporting students and fostering the integration of its international community, which is a vital part of the academia.

Key MUG facilities include the Medical Simulation Centre, Sports Centre, and the buildings of the Invasive and Non-Invasive Medicine Centres, which form a unique medical and scientific complex on a European scale. On 8th October 2025, a new building for the University Dental Centre was officially commissioned, serving as a scientific, research, and teaching base. It will be followed by the immediate completion of the Paediatric Medicine Centre.

A BIT OF HISTORY

The MUG is one of the oldest medical universities in Poland. Its tradition traces back to the Stefan Batory University in Vilnius, established over a century ago. The Physician Academy in Gdańsk was founded on 8th October 1945.

- 1950 – The Medical Academy of Gdańsk
- English Division Programmes: Medicine – 2001, Nursing – 2016, Pharmacy – 2017, Master in Sustainable Drug Discovery – 2022
- 2009 – Academy changed its status to the Medical University of Gdańsk (MUG)
- 2012-2017 – Faculty of Pharmacy recognized as the Leading National Scientific Centre
- 2019 – The Medical University of Gdańsk received the status of a research university
- 2020 – Fahrenheit Union of Universities in Gdańsk established by the Medical University of Gdańsk, Gdańsk University of Technology and the University of Gdańsk which intend to build the position of Gdańsk as a strong academic centre both in Poland and worldwide (in 2026, the Union was expanded to include the Stanisław Moniuszko Academy of Music in Gdańsk and the Academy of Fine Arts in Gdańsk)
- 2024 – Medical University of Gdańsk became the member of the Applied, Connected, Entrepreneurial and Engaged European University (ACE²-EU) Alliance



EDUCATIONAL OFFER

The University provides education to over 6900 students including Ph.D. and postgraduate students in four Faculties



6931

Overall number of students

595

International students

1342

Academic teachers

212

Professors

18

Programmes in Polish
(1st degree studies, 2nd degree studies,
uniform Master's studies)

8

Programmes in English

ALL STUDY PROGRAMMES IN ENGLISH

- 6-year M.D. Programme
- 5-year Master of Pharmacy Programme
- 3-year Bachelor of Nursing Programme
- 2-year Master in Sustainable Drug Discovery
- 1-year Premedical Course
- 4-year Doctoral School (Medicine, Pharmacy, Health Sciences)

WORLD-CLASS CLINICAL, TEACHING AND TREATMENT FACILITIES

The University Clinical Centre

UCC is one of the largest and most modern hospital complexes in Poland comprising the Invasive Medicine Centre (IMC) and Non-Invasive Medicine Centre (NIMC).

About
208 000
patients
hospitalized in
UCC per year

University Centre of Maritime and Tropical Medicine

UCM&TM with the National Centre for Hyperbaric Medicine is a unique hospital specialising in maritime and tropical medicine.

University Dentistry Centre

On 8th October 2025, a new building for the University Dental Centre was officially commissioned, serving as a scientific, research, and educational base. The overall investment, including equipment, amounted to over 95 million PLN.

University Centre of Family Medicine

UCFM provides medical services in the field of specialised outpatient healthcare, both under the contract with the National Health Fund and on a fee-for-service basis through primary care, gynaecological-obstetric, neurological, and occupational medicine clinics.

The MUG
clinics provide
1241
beds

CERTIFIED WORKING AND DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS

Notably, the Medical University of Gdańsk is also the recipient of the HR Strategy for Researchers and the HR Excellence in Research (HRS4R) certificate. It is awarded to scientific institutions which, by their actions, care for research staff and provide them with the best development conditions in the European Union.



HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH



RESEARCH CENTRE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL

Research conducted at the MUG plays a significant role in the advancement of modern science

Research University

- in 2019–2026, the Medical University of Gdańsk implemented the ministerial “Excellence Initiative – Research University” programme, reflecting its prestigious status as a research university
- Priority Research Areas – oncology; cardiology and cardiovascular medicine; biochemistry, genetics and molecular biology

MUG researchers among global leaders

- many of the MUG researchers belong to the prestigious group of the top 2% scientists worldwide, and their publications are notable for their high citation impact

International Research Agenda

- cooperation with the Uppsala University
- research on genetic aberrations acquired as a risk factor for cancer and other diseases

Non-commercial Clinical Trials

- 16 projects funded by the Medical Research Agency with a total value over 220 million PLN

STUDENT ACTIVITY

Number of
active student
scientific circles

106

Students of the MUG

- actively participate in national and international symposia
- popularise knowledge about health, disease prevention and treatment methods in society, organise events focused on prevention, e.g. White Saturdays, Vampiriads, Marrow Hero, Tram Called Desire, Chisel Cancer



International students organisations

- American Medical Student Association (AMSA)
- International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA)
- The Swedish Medical Association for Students Abroad (SLF)
- Association of Norwegian Students Abroad (ANSA)
- South Asian Students' Society (SASS)
- Resource Team (RT)
- MedHum

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

MUG is a member of the ACE²-EU Alliance

of nine European universities, supported by the European Commission through Erasmus+. The partnership fosters joint study programmes, academic exchange, innovation hubs, and international educational initiatives that prepare students for the modern job market.



SUSTAINABILITY

Following the path of sustainability

The MUG signed the University Social Responsibility Declaration in 2019. It integrates sustainable development and social responsibility across its education, research, and operations, with a strong focus on environmental care. According to the Times Higher Education Impact Ratings 2026, MUG leads among Polish universities in implementing the UN's Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being.

WHY THE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF GDAŃSK?

We are a top-tier university, as confirmed by national and international rankings

- **one of the best** medical universities in Poland*
- we steadily gain higher positions in **international rankings such as**
- we are one of the most internationalised universities in the Pomeranian region

While studying and developing your scientific passions, you can

- acquire knowledge from **high-class specialists**
- learn and work in a **friendly** atmosphere and **modern** educational and clinical infrastructure
- benefit from the **Welcome Point**, a friendly space where foreign students can receive necessary help in facing numerous problems related to living in Poland, Gdańsk, and starting their studies at our University
- take advantage of the **largest** medical collection **library** in the Pomeranian Voivodeship
- combine knowledge with practice in **numerous simulation and multimedia laboratories**, including the Medical Simulation Center, which consists of 21 simulation rooms, a nursing skills simulation laboratory, a physical examination simulation laboratory, and a dental simulation laboratory
- maintain fitness at the **Sports Centre** on futsal, handball, basketball, and volleyball courts, as well as in aerobics, squash, Asian martial arts, and wrestling halls

*according to the 2026 edition of the Perspektywy Education Foundation ranking



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