



UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION



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Welcome

The School of Education is one of the five schools that make up the University of Iceland. We educate teachers for all school levels, sports and health scientists, social educators, and leisure professionals. All academic programmes at the School of Education are strongly linked to the workplaces, especially in the fields of education and social services. The studies provide a wide range of professional options and serve as a good foundation for further studies.

All study programmes emphasise a flexible structure to meet the needs of full-time students, as well as those who want to work part-time while studying. A large number of well-educated lecturers, from diverse scholarly, artistic and vocational disciplines, work at our school.

Research

Varied and ambitious research is carried out at the School of Education with an eye to creating new knowledge for the benefit of Icelandic society. The Educational Research Institute, along with the Division of Science and Innovation at the UI, offer a range of services to support researchers, such as assistance in preparing applications for national and foreign competitive research funds. Our academics participate in wide-ranging international research projects and collaborative networks around the world.

Collaboration

We have partnership agreements with numerous institutions and bodies involved in education and schooling; the Ministry of Education, municipalities and labour unions. Furthermore, we collaborate with other schools at the UI and other domestic and foreign universities. Since 2015, the School of Education and the University of Minnesota have been co-teaching a master's degree programme in parent and family education. Minnesota is the only state in the U.S. offering teacher licensure in parent and family education, and this project is the only parent education programme in Iceland.

Programmes in English

B.A. and M.A. in International Education Studies

In response to the development of multi-cultural society in Iceland and globalisation we offer an undergraduate and a graduate programme in international education studies. The programme provides an exciting opportunity for students whose interests lie in education with an international scope. Students can choose between two specialities in their studies; language teaching, or education in an international context.

Ph.D. in Educational Sciences

Two doctoral programmes are offered at the School of Education independent of faculty, Ph.D. and Ed.D. The goal of the doctoral programme is to bolster the abilities of candidates in independent scientific research and scholarly activities. In addition the programme is intended to strengthen Icelandic research in the fields of education, nurture, training, pedagogy and leisure.

Application deadline: 1 February.

Please note: Nordic citizens may apply for graduate studies until **15 April** and for undergraduate studies until **5 June**.

Did you know?

» In **2008** The University of Education merged with the UI, and became the School of Education.

» In **2008** the international education studies was established in order to offer immigrant students who live in Iceland an opportunity to seek higher education. It is the only undergraduate programme in international education in Iceland, and overall there are very few options on the undergraduate level in English at UI.

» In **2011** Icelandic legislation changed concerning teacher licences. From then on students need to finish a master's degree to get a teacher's licence for all school levels.

» In **2011** a vocational study programme for people with disabilities was founded. The main purpose of the two-year programme is to provide people with disabilities opportunities for full social participation.

» In **2018** our co-teaching programme in parent and family education was nominated for the Best Practice Award in Support of Global and International Perspectives by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education Awards.

Do you want to know **more?**

The UI is a dynamic, internationally oriented institution with a global network of over 400 partner universities worldwide. The International Office manages international affairs. The office provides various services for incoming international students and visiting staff.

Exchange students

We offer a variety of single courses for exchange students every year.

International Staff Training Days

The Staff Days are hosted by the International Office and are open to university employees working in the field of international relations and mobility at their institution. We especially welcome colleagues from our partner universities. The International Staff Training Days provide a unique opportunity to develop personal and professional skills relating to internationalisation and mobility, participate in cultural events and network with colleagues from a wide range of international higher education institutions.

Facts and Figures

- » Situated in Stakkahlíð
- » **4** faculties
- » **50** study programmes
- » **2000** students
- » **50** doctoral students
- » **70** international students
- » **20** research centres
- » **150** employees
- » **75%** of students are female



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UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND AT A GLANCE

The University of Iceland has actively participated in the transformation of Icelandic society for over 100 years. The UI is the leading scientific institution in the country, conducting research in all academic fields and is ranked among the 250 best universities in the world, according to The World University Rankings. The University earns 1/3 of its income from competitive funds and non-governmental funding.

University of Iceland is divided into five academic schools and 26 faculties.
The School of Education consists of four faculties:

Faculty of Education and Diversity

Faculty of Education and Pedagogy

Faculty of Health Promotion, Sports and Leisure Studies

Faculty of Subject Teacher Education



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