Always an innovator

Linköping University (LiU) is one of Sweden’s larger academic institutions and among those that offer the largest number of professional degree programmes, in fields such as medicine, education, business, economics and engineering. Research is conducted within a variety of disciplines, with strong internationally recognised research environments, e.g. materials science, information technology and disability studies.

Since gaining university status in 1975 (and before that, too), LiU has worked with innovation in education and research. For example we were first in Sweden to introduce interdisciplinary thematic research, problem-based learning (PBL), graduate schools and several innovative study programmes.
Education

27,000 undergraduate students (full-time equivalents 17,641)

- 17,800 at Campus Valla
- 5,000 at Campus Norrköping
- 3,300 at University Hospital Campus (US)
- 70 at Campus Lidingö

*Distance students and students in other locations not included. Some students take courses at more than one campus.*

120 study programmes, of which 24 are master’s programmes in English
550 single-subject courses
500 exchange agreements with universities in 50 countries
2,000 international students
2,600 first cycle degrees
3,080 second cycle degrees

In a comparison with other Swedish comprehensive universities, LiU’s graduates rank first for quickly finding employment.

See more about our education and student life at liu.se/education
Research

3 main global university rankings
- LiU’s rank among about 22,000 universities in the world

• Place 286 QS World University Rankings (place 24 among universities under 50 years old)
• Place 327 Academic Ranking of World Universities (Shanghai list)
• Place 251-300 Times Higher Education World University Rankings (place 59 among universities under 50 years old)

3 new research investments
- with big grants for LiU

• Wallenberg Autonomous Systems Program – autonomous systems and software development in one of Sweden’s largest research programmes ever, hosted by LiU, in collaboration with leading Swedish industrial companies.
• Wallenberg Centre for Molecular Medicine – research centre with focus on the medicine-technology interface.
• The Seed Box – research within environmental humanities.

More than half of the LiU research budget comes from external funding (research councils, foundations, the EU, companies and others).

Doctoral studies
1,300 doctoral students
50 licentiate degrees
170 doctoral degrees

See more about our research and doctoral studies at liu.se/research
Staff

4,000 employees (full-time equivalents 3,703), of which 350 are professors.

Staff by category

Full-time equivalents

- 38% technical and administrative staff
- 42% academic staff
- 20% doctoral students

See vacancies and information about LiU as a workplace at liu.se/jobba

Finances

Income SEK 3,688 million
Expenditure SEK 3,740 million

Income by branch of operations

- 43% undergraduate education
- 57% research/scientific training
Organisation

Linköping University’s organisation differs from the traditional academic organisation model used at most European universities. At LiU there are multidisciplinary departments, covering several adjacent academic disciplines and often belonging to more than one faculty. The faculties are responsible for education and research within their respective areas.

4 faculties

Arts and Sciences
Educational Sciences
Medicine and Health Sciences
Science and Engineering (Institute of Technology)

14 departments

Department for Studies of Social Change and Culture
Department of Behavioural Sciences and Learning
Department of Biomedical Engineering
Department of Clinical and Experimental Medicine
Department of Computer and Information Science
Department of Culture and Communication
Department of Electrical Engineering
Department of Management and Engineering
Department of Mathematics
Department of Medical and Health Sciences
Department of Physics, Chemistry and Biology
Department of Science and Technology
Department of Social and Welfare Studies
Department of Thematic Studies
Origin: LiU

3 LiU innovations
• The world’s first digital hearing aid
• The visualisation table, showing the human body in 3D
• Sensor technology useful e.g. for protecting rhinos in Kenya against poachers

4 companies with LiU roots
• Sectra – medical IT and secure communication
• IFS – business software
• SP Devices – analogue to digital conversion
• Sciss – 3D visualisation for planetariums and dome theatres

5 notable alumni
• Peter Agnefjäll, President and CEO, Ikea Group
• Gustav Fridolin, Swedish Minister for Education
• Helena Norrman, Senior Vice President Marketing & Communications, Ericsson
• Carl-Henric Svanberg, Chairman, BP and Volvo
• Zhong Zhihua, Secretary-General and Academician of the Chinese Academy of Engineering (CAE)

Linköping University has 95,000 alumni (former students) in 100 countries.
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