

THE TEACHER EDUCATION



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Students at the Faculty of Education, situated in the middle of the city.

One of teachers' many important tasks is to stimulate and mould tomorrow's everyday heroes and key figures. The University of Gothenburg has teacher education programmes leading to teaching certificates at all levels from pre-school to upper secondary and adult education. Students interested in working with special needs children can obtain a teaching certificate in special education. We also offer second- and third-cycle programmes for professionals who want to develop further.

The University of Gothenburg is one of Europe's largest and most popular higher education institutions. It is home to world-class research, enabling students to continuously benefit from the very latest knowledge in their respective areas. One of many profile areas is knowledge formation and learning, where teacher education is an important part. The university offers the broadest range of teacher education in Sweden in terms of available programmes and subjects. The teacher training is carried out in many different parts of the university to ensure provision of specialised, cutting-edge knowledge to each individual student.

The Board of Teacher Education is in charge of the teacher education at the University of Gothenburg. We are continuously developing areas of particular importance to tomorrow's teachers. These areas are information and communication technology, learning for sustainable development, aesthetic learning processes and internationalisation.

We have a regional development centre that cooperates with schools at all levels from pre-school to upper secondary and is in charge of various continuing professional development measures. There is also a graduate school specialising in educational science, the Centre for Educational Sciences and Teacher Research, enabling students to obtain doctoral and licentiate degrees.

The University of Gothenburg is an active international university engaged in collaborative projects and partnerships all over the world. Today the university has 900 exchange agreements and welcomes over 2,500 international students comprised of approximately 70 nationalities.

Internationalisation within the teacher education programmes is important in order to learn more about people's circumstances in a globalised world. The teacher education at the University of Gothenburg has a long tradition of international cooperation. Some courses include field studies abroad to provide students with important comparative perspectives. Furthermore, our students have plenty of opportunities for exchange studies at one of our partner universities.

GOTHENBURG - THE CITY STUDENTS LOVE



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During the summer, Gothenburg hosts a number of festivals and concerts right in the centre of town. Way Out West is one of them.

Being an international student is much more than studying and going to class. It is also creating a life with new friends in a new place and earning memories that will last a lifetime.

Therefore we are very proud to say that the University of Gothenburg is ranked Number 1 worldwide when it comes to international students' satisfaction with the overall living experience at their study destination. This was revealed in the International Student Barometer 2011.

International students in Gothenburg are especially pleased with the social life, the campus environment as well as the transportation services and the city's eco-friendly attitude.

Gothenburg - a City of Culture and Contrast

What is it then that makes Gothenburg special? Some say that it is the fact that Gothenburg is somewhere between a small town and a large city. It's big enough to offer the buzz of the city and plenty of activities, but small enough to feel intimate.

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Others say it is the location. Gothenburg is situated on the beautiful west coast and the city is defined by the harbor and proximity to the sea. You can leave the city buzz and hop on a public ferry that takes you out to the archipelago.

Then there is the fact that Gothenburg offers you a thriving music scene and a wide range of culture and sports. Many international artists perform in Gothenburg and it is also home to one of Sweden's largest music festival, Way Out West.

The city is also home to a large number of major events, including Göteborg International Film Festival and Göteborg Book Fair, as well as a wide range of concerts, museums, sports activities, cafés, bars and restaurants. It also offers countless opportunities to experience the beautiful outdoors. Take a tram to a nearby beach. Or you can bring your books to a cosy café. Gothenburg is known for its relaxed and pleasant atmosphere – and we warmly welcome you here.



Students at a café in the old town Haga. Here you can try a speciality of Haga: an enormous cinnamon roll.

Facts and figures

Employees: 6,000*

Students: 37,000*

Faculty areas:

Business, Economics and Law, Education, Fine, Applied and Performing Arts, Humanities, Information Technology, Medicine, Natural Sciences och Social Sciences

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