Welcome to one of the largest Slovak universities
1959 - The foundation year of Pedagogical Institute in Nitra. The Institute was founded by Decree no. 57/1959 Coll. This Decree abolished the hitherto university-level, higher and secondary schools of pedagogy and established pedagogical institutes for the preparation of junior and senior elementary school teachers. (Teacher preparation for secondary schools was the responsibility of the existing faculties of art, natural sciences and physical education.)

1960 - The educational system at the Pedagogical Institute integrated the preparation of teachers for schools with Hungarian as language of instruction.

1964 - The Pedagogical Institute was renamed to Faculty of Education.

1977 - The independently operating faculties of education were put at the same level as the faculties of art, natural sciences and physical education, and were authorized to prepare secondary school teachers. The first trainees to study the teaching of general subjects for secondary schools enrolled the Faculty of Education in Nitra in the school year 1977/1978.


1992 - Establishment of University of Education.

1993 - Establishment of Faculty of Natural Sciences with its educational and scientific activities.

1996 - Creation of Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra. Its existence was approved by the National Council of the Slovak Republic on October 23, 1996.

1997 - February 13, a gala inauguration of CPU Nitra.

1998 - Faculty of Humanities was renamed to Faculty of Arts.

2001 - Establishment of Faculty of Social Sciences and Health.

2003 - Faculty of Central European Studies is created by merging the ethnic sections at the University.

2010 - Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra received the status of a university-type school.

In 1959, the Pedagogical Institute in Nitra employed 30 teachers and provided education to 316 students. In the academic year 2012/2013, the CPU had nearly 12,000 full-time or part-time students and over 500 teachers.
The University Today

Modern and European

Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra bears the name of an important figure in the history of Nitra and Slovakia - Constantine the Philosopher (St. Cyril, 827-869). It defines itself as a modern European university dominated by science, spiritual quality, high professionalism, academic mastery, intensive communication with Slovakia and other countries and a diversified array of courses at all three levels of study.

Career Opportunities

Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra prepares young people for a wide range of professions, such as preschool, primary, secondary and university teachers, experts in cultural institutions, political scientists, marketers, managers of tourism, interpreters, translators, catechists, journalists, anthropologists, archaeologists, historians, museumologists, physicists, computer scientists, psychologists, gemologists, medical staff, social workers and others.

Walking in the footsteps of Constantine the Philosopher’s message
Why Study at our University?

- Compatibility of study at CPU with ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System)
- Credit system - the student decides on the workload and selects the pace and content of study according to his/her needs and interests
- Interfaculty study fields and options
- Wide range of optional subjects to supplement and extend the study
- Undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate study at five Faculties
- Opportunity to study abroad within the international educational, research and mobility programs
- Development of information technology
- Wide range of pastime activities (sports, culture...)

Wide range of study programmes
Facts and Figures

- Fifth largest university in Slovakia
- 54,735 graduates since 1962 (data from 2012)
- 11,379 students, out of which 8,062 are full-time students
- 175 foreign students
- The teacher study programs are a double-major combination of 26 subjects at the undergraduate and graduate level
- 5 single-major teacher study programs at the undergraduate and graduate level
- 175 foreign students
- 105 scientific and professional study programs
- 31 scientific doctoral programs
- 533 teachers and 424 other employees
- 3,907 successful graduates at all three levels of study both full-time and part-time, out of which 2,617 are full-time
- 114 students traveled abroad within LLP/ERASMUS, 88 for a study period abroad and 26 for traineeship
- 49 research projects: 38 VEGA projects, 9 APVV projects and 2 international scientific projects
- 91 projects within the category of "other creative activities": 39 KEA projects, 12 international cultural and educational projects, 26 projects funded by the Ministry of Culture, the Government Office and institutions in the Nitra Region, 2 VEGA projects under the LLP "Promoting human potential in research, development and popularization of science", 12 projects from the EU Structural Funds (€ 1,535,433) for the creation of research laboratories and specialized classrooms
- 16 buildings for education and housing, of which 14 are situated in different locations in Nitra and one in Spišská Nová Ves and Patince
- 7,558 m² of classrooms and lecture halls, 933 m² of laboratories, 2,137 m² of other specialized classrooms, three gyms with the total area of 878 m², 8,915 m² of office space and meeting rooms

(Date: 12/31/2012)
Which Faculty to Study At?

The education system at the University is based on the European Credit Transfer System, which ensures compatibility with leading educational institutions and fosters student mobility between the universities across the European Union. At each level of study (Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral), the students can choose curricular subjects according to their interests from a variety of subjects provided by their own departments and faculties, other CPU faculties, and even other Slovak universities. This way, the students can actively participate in the content creation of their curricula, optimal profiling and individual study pace. The University also provides lifelong learning.

→ www.ukf.sk/studium

The University consists of five Faculties. The Faculties offer a wide range of undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate programs in a full-time or part-time form.

Faculty of Natural Sciences

(FNS) provides a unique opportunity to those students who want to deepen their knowledge of mathematics, physics, computer science, those that are fascinated by the world of chemical laboratories, geography, biology, gemology, ecology and environmental science, or interested in becoming a science teacher or scientist. The graduates can find employment as experts in all basic areas of natural sciences, or as teachers of academic subjects at primary and secondary schools.

→ www.fpn.ukf.sk

Faculty of Social Sciences and Health Care

(FSVaZ) focuses on psychology, sociology, social work, social and missionary work in the Roma community, nursing, public health, medical rescue and physiotherapy. The graduates in the above fields find employment in government, public administration, science and research, health care and social service networks.

→ www.fsvaz.ukf.sk
Faculty of Central European Studies

(FSS) focuses on the education of national minorities, teaching in schools with Hungarian as language of instruction, tourism, cultural and social anthropology, Hungarology and translation. It is an ideal place for those who are interested in the history and culture of Central European nations. The graduates can find employment in cultural, civic and social institutions, government and public administration as the creators and curators of cultural life.

→ www.fss.ukf.sk

Faculty of Arts

(PF) focuses on the humanities, social sciences and philology. It prepares experts in the specific fields of science, culture, media, art, history, public government and highly qualified specialists for translation and interpretation. It also provides training for teachers at the senior elementary, secondary and university level.

→ www.ff.ukf.sk

Faculty of Education

(PF) provides teacher preparation in various subjects with the possibility to combine them with subjects provided by other faculties at the University. It also provides single-major study programs. The graduates can find employment in education, pedagogical institutes, advisory institutes, health protection institutions and in the respective technical and technological services.

→ www.pf.ukf.sk
Types, Levels and Forms of Study

The Faculties provide only accredited study programs in a full-time or part-time form. The study on the Bachelor’s (undergraduate) level (first cycle of higher education) usually takes three years, and the Master’s (graduate) level (second cycle of higher education) normally takes two years. The standard length of study in a Doctoral (postgraduate) program (third cycle of higher education) is 3 years (a maximum of 4 years) in the full-time form and up to 5 years in the part-time form.

One academic year is divided into two semesters. The academic year begins on September 1 of the respective calendar year and ends on August 31 of the following calendar year. The study in the academic year is conducted according to the study schedule approved for the given academic year.

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The aim of further education at the University is to increase and enhance the knowledge, skills and abilities acquired in school education primarily through accredited study programs, training courses, examinations, attestations and interest education.

Further education includes:
- Continual education
- Further expert education
- Extended study
- Complementary pedagogical study
- Certification of teaching and professional staff
- Language certificates
- Interest education, citizenship education, senior training

Improved quality of infrastructure through specialized classrooms

Three Levels of Study

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Student Accommodation

Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra provides accommodation in three student accommodation facilities (the fourth is currently under construction):

- Dormitory ZOBOR, Dražovská cesta 2, Nitra,
- Dormitory NITRA, Slančíkovej 1, Nitra,
- Dormitory Spišská Nová Ves, Hviezdoslavova 15,
- Dormitory UKF in Brezový háj, Nitra.

Catering

The University has a canteen providing catering services on a daily basis to students, staff and other subjects in the dining room at Dormitory ZOBOR, Dormitory NITRA, Rector’s Office Building at Tr. A. Hlinku, Faculty of Arts building at Štefánikova St., dormitory UKF in Brezový háj and dormitory ZOBOR from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The University Canteen runs four university cafeterias:

- Dormitory ZOBOR,
- Dormitory NITRA,
- Rector’s Office Building at Tr. A. Hlinku,
- Faculty of Arts building at Štefánikova St.
The University Library is a scientific, informational, coordinating and advisory center to support the teaching and research processes at the University. The library and information services are provided to teachers and scientists, doctoral students, students of all forms of study and other professionals.

The core library collection can be found in the new University Library premises at Drážovská St. in Nitra, which ranked second in the prestigious contest BEFFA 2012 in the category of non-residential buildings. These premises house the centralized library collection with free access to information resources and a general-purpose study room. The University Library collection consists of approximately 228,709 books and the Library has approximately 15,087 readers. The University has licensed access to external sources of information: Scopus, Knovel, ProQuest, EBSCO Publishing, licensed databases (NISPEZ) and other databases freely accessible on the Internet:

- Online catalog of the University Library
- Slovak national bibliography
- Czech national bibliography
- Database of publishing activities of the University staff

The University Library also provides the sale of publications issued by the University. The list of titles sold is available at the Library webpage in the e-shop. The retail store is located in the Rector’s Office Building at Tr. A. Hlinku 1.

The University Library provides:

- Interlibrary loan services
- Advisory and reference services
- Bibliographic and research services

It includes the following faculty-level study rooms

- Study room at Faculty of Arts, Hadžíhova St. 1
- Study room at Faculty of Social Sciences and Health at Kraskova St. 1
International Cooperation

International cooperation with foreign universities and organizations is strengthened by international bilateral and multilateral agreements and international educational and scientific projects.

The top priority in the area of international cooperation is to ensure the admission of foreign students to CPU at the Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral level, but also to promote the mobilities within the various scholarship programs.

The work and development in the field of international cooperation is sheltered by:
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By country of origin and form of study, the University distinguishes between:

a. Foreign students — nationals of a Member State of the European Union, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Montenegro, Republic of Macedonia, Republic of Moldova, Republic of Serbia or Ukraine or other states that are parties to the European Economic Area Agreement and the Swiss Confederation (hereinafter “Member State”), or citizens residing in a Member State, these students can study at the University under the same conditions as citizens of the Slovak Republic and they can send applications directly to the respective Faculty,

b. Self-funded foreign students — such students are coordinated by the Department for Lifelong Learning and International Relations

c. Slovaks living abroad — these students must present a valid certificate issued in accordance with the Act on Slovaks Living Abroad and they can send their applications under the same conditions as self-funded foreign students.

Foreign Students at CPU Nitra

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Mobility Based on Bilateral Cooperation Agreements

Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra is involved in an ongoing contraction of new bilateral cooperation agreements. Bilateral cooperation is particularly focusing on science, research and education, exchange of teachers, researchers and doctoral students with the possibility to complete a 1-2 week study-lecturing period abroad and/or research stay abroad. The bilateral agreements also allow for the exchange of scientific works and results of scientific work, organization of scientific meetings, publication of scientific outputs and collaboration on research projects.

Mobility Within the LLP/ERASMUS Programme

This mobility is implemented by sending and receiving students on study periods abroad and traineeships/internships and sending and receiving of university staff for training and teaching placements abroad within the LLP/ERASMUS programme. The students are sent and received for 3-12 month study periods and 3-month traineeships/internships. Within the ERASMUS mobility program, the students can complete a 2-6 week EILC preparatory language course in a foreign institution. The teachers usually travel out for a 5-day lecture period or a 7-day training. The ERASMUS mobility is implemented on the basis of bilateral agreements with the partner universities abroad and it is signed in advance for a particular academic year, field of study and number of mobilities.

The foreign Erasmus students have the opportunity to choose from the subjects taught in Slovak or in a foreign language.


Contact point for the LLP/ERASMUS programme (Rector’s Office):

(Administration of Erasmus agreements, sending and receiving of students for study periods abroad, sending and receiving of students for traineeships/internships, sending and receiving of teachers for teaching periods, sending and receiving of university staff for trainings, EILC courses for Slovak students, coordination of activities of ESN CPU)

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Other Mobility Programs

In addition to LLP / ERASMUS, the Department administers the admission of students and staff from abroad also within other scholarship programs, especially the SAA programs (e.g. through the National Scholarship Programme of the Slovak Republic, CEEPUS, International Visegrad Fund, DAAD, Action Austria-Slovakia, academic mobility through MSVVAS SR scholarships) and other scholarship programs coordinated by foreign institutions, and/or on the basis of intergovernmental agreements.

The student organization Erasmus Student Network (ESN) helps foreign students in the integration process during their study period at CPU. In cooperation with ESN CPU, the Department of Lifelong Learning and International Relations helps foreign students in the issues connected with accommodation, study registration, application for residence in Slovakia, the necessary medical examinations and possible insurance schemes and access to university premises; it also participates in the organization of cultural activities and trips for international students.

Contact point for other mobility programs:
(Administration of applications from abroad, administration of requirements for stay at CPU)
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The University offers the foreign students an opportunity to study the Slovak language in a preparatory language course during the entire academic year, provided by Faculty of Arts, Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra. Apart from the above, the University regularly organizes EILC courses (Erasmus Intensive Language Course) - a Slovak language course for foreign Erasmus students (if such a course is approved by the National Agency for LLP).
Life in the Student Community

The University supports sports, artistic and cultural activities of students. Many of the activities are organized by the University itself, some are carried out under the auspices of the academic ensembles at the University, yet others involve civil unions of University students. Spontaneous and often individual activities of various interest groups are also very popular.

Cultural and social activities in the associations and clubs

The CPU Student Parliament

is a civic association of students involved in the preparation of pastime events. It is composed of elected student representatives from the Academic Senates of the individual Faculties, but it is also open to other students studying at the University.

→ www.spukf.sk

Student parliament and its extracurricular activities for students
Lumen — Christian Students Club at CPU Nitra

The Club organizes regular trips and tours to close and distant places of interest, sports activities and it is also involved in organizing the Mass at the beginning and end of each academic year.

www.lumen.ukf.sk

The Association of Hungarian Students - JUGYIK

is actively involved in the creation of cultural, social, motivational and sports contexts for the lovers of culture for the purpose of education, leisure and entertainment. JUGYIK organizes regular cultural activities (the spring and autumn Youth Day, film productions, disko-nights, discussion forums and the improvisation festival Improfest) for its members, as well as educational and residential stays in the Jelenec recreational resort.

www.jugyik.sk
Sports

In addition to individual student performance, the sports activities are focused especially on team sports, which are sheltered by the Association of Sports Clubs. For example, it associates the CPU Youth Basketball Club or Martial Arts Club Taekwon-Do I.T.F. CPU. The most prominent role is played by women’s volleyball. The CPU Nitra Volleyball Club plays in the Women’s Volleyball Extraliga.

Furthermore, the students can take part in the dormitory volleyball or soccer league, which is played in Dormitory Zobor.
A dominant component of the artistic and cultural life of students, representing the University on the Slovak and international level, are the academic ensembles (Ponitran, Atikus, VYDI Theater, Academic Choir, Hungarian Choir).

The Dormitory Nitra runs the Creative Studio, an integrating cultural point for the students and their artistic ensembles (VYDI, JA a MY and others) for the rehearsal and performance of artistic productions, various performing projects and cultural events. The Creative Studio is also used for educational purposes (workshops, seminars, trainings) within the artistic and artistic-educational study programs at the University.

Artistic and Cultural Activities

PONITRAN Folk Ensemble

is an ensemble with the longest history at the University and it focuses on traditional Slovak folklore with special interest in the Ponitrie region. The Ensemble has more than 40 members, most of which are university students.

→ www.ponitran.ukf.sk

Academic ensembles as a dominant part of the artistic and cultural life of students
CPU Nitra performs American folk dances, mainly clogging, bug-dancing and flatfooting, with additional dance performances in the ‘country’ style with evergreen backing vocals.

→ www.atikus.com

celebrated its 50th anniversary in the academic year 2010/11. The Choir has successfully represented the University on national and international stages, choral festivals and competitions. The Choir is sponsored by Faculty of Central European Studies in Nitra. The primary focus of the Choir is the promotion and dissemination of the Kodály traditions, as well as the dissemination of Hungarian choral culture, especially in amongst the University youth.

Academic Choir performs the works of well-known Slovak and world authors. The Choir is under the auspices of the Department of Music, Faculty of Education, Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra. It has about 50 members from among the University students.
The Pavol Strauss’ University Pastoral Center in Nitra (UPC), which has its seat in the University Library, is interesting also from the viewpoint of architecture. Its main aim is to provide pastoral care and spiritual aid to the students and staff from both Nitra universities, and staff from other institutions and dormitories. In cooperation with the Lu-men Club, it organizes regular meetings and masses. It also focuses on spiritual renewal (at dedicated time intervals during the week in the UPC premises and in the Diocesan Pastoral Center on weekends), providing spiritual guidance, counselling, creation of environment for Christian-oriented spiritual meetings for the University students and staff.

→ www.upcnitra.sk

The University financially supports cultural and social activities of the students through the projects submitted by civic associations, University departments and institutes and informal groups of students.

→ www.vydi.eu.sk

Student Theatre VYDI

has been active at Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra since 1992. It grew out of a natural desire and enthusiasm of students who wanted to do drama. It is an amateur theatre, built on the principle of voluntarism, love of the amateur and the endeavor to develop broad dramatic creativity. It stemmed from a natural potential for drama within the students. The key feature of this theatre is the fact that its members are primarily university students. Since 2009, Student Theatre VYDI showed progressive development of its activities, particularly through the implementation of their projects in the Creative Studio.

→ www.vydi.eu.sk

Pastoral Work

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Pavol Strauss’ University Pastoral Center
Scholarships

At CPU Nitra, students can receive social and motivational scholarships.

Social scholarship is provided from the state budget and the conditions to receive it are defined in the respective legislation.

Who is Eligible for a Scholarship?

Each student enrolled in his/her first full-time study at a higher education institution in Slovakia with a permanent residence in Slovakia, provided the standard length of study has not been exceeded and the monthly income of the family the student comes from is below the subsistence minimum.

The conditions for awarding the motivational scholarships are also defined in the respective legislation. The students have no legal claim for this scholarship. The motivational scholarships are granted at CPU Nitra in the form of merit scholarships or special scholarships.

Merit Scholarship is awarded to full-time or part-time students in the Bachelor’s or Master’s study programs. The fulfillment of study requirements by the students is assessed as follows:

• Successful completion of subjects the student enrolled in during the observation period
• Quality of learning outcomes in the completed subjects; quality is determined by weighted grade average

Special Scholarship is awarded to full-time or part-time students in the Bachelor’s, Master’s or Doctoral study programs. Special scholarship is usually awarded to students for:

• Excellence in scientific, artistic or sports activities
• Successful representation of the Faculty, University or the Slovak Republic in the arts, sports or knowledge competitions
• Excellent performance throughout the study (Rector’s or Dean’s Award)
• Exceptional thesis or other student work
• Exceptional involvement in student clubs and associations

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Support for students through social and motivational scholarships

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Support to Students with Disabilities

The Support Center for Students with Special Needs was created at the Department of Education, Faculty of Education, CPU Nitra to create the necessary conditions allowing the students with special needs (who meet the admission criteria) to access education (“access” means the ability to actively fulfill academic obligations and exercise student rights on an equal level with other students, using technical tools and human support) and the implementation of measures with the aim to identify, eliminate and prevent the formation of new physical, social, informational and human barriers in the academic environment.

The Support Center for Students with Special Needs provides screening, archiving, technical, diagnostic and consulting services to the applicants and University students with special needs and to University staff.

Contact information:
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Science and Research

The research activities at Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra cover a wide range of natural, educational, philosophical, social and health sciences in basic and applied research, as well as in the area of innovation in teaching methods, forms and content of study programs. The results of the scientific activities affect the funding of the University from the state budget and are crucial for the accreditation of study programs, assessment of competence to carry out the procedures for the nomination of assistant professors and professors, as well as the certification and inclusion of the University into the university-type educational institutions.

The most important outputs of scientific research and other creative activities of University staff and students are valued annually with the Rector’s Award for project activities and publications.

Modernization and improvement of technical infrastructure for research and development
Projects

The research activities are carried out mainly through research, educational and other projects, which represent a source of funding to carry out such research activities, furnish the laboratories and classrooms with equipment and publication outputs.

The University projects are funded both by institutional resources within the University Grant Agency (UGA) for the employees under 35 years of age and doctoral students, resources from national grant agencies (VEGA, VEGA and APVV), non-departmental resources (projects funded by the Ministry of Culture, the Government Office and the Nitra Region institutions), European sources (7th RP, Comenius, Erasmus - Mundus, International Visegrad Fund etc.) and from the Structural Funds.

Publications

Publications are one of the major outputs of scientific research and other creative activities. The library information database enables an efficient retrieval and classification of publications by University staff and postgraduate students.

→ kis.ukf.sk

Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra has been successful in implementing the projects from the Structural Funds of the European Union with the aim to build its basic infrastructure for science, research and quality education. Similarly, there are projects aiming at improving the quality of education and innovation processes. The PROJ information system was introduced to register and manage the project activities at the University.

→ www.projekty.ukf.sk

Annual Rector’s Award for the best publications

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Artistic Activities

Artistic activities are part of ‘other creative activities’ of CPU staff and students and they contribute to the perception of the University as a center of artistic life in the Nitra Region. One of the ways to present the artistic activities are the exhibitions of works of art, festivals, concerts, theatrical performances etc.

Student Research Activities

The CPU Faculties hold an annual student competition for the students of Bachelor’s and Master’s study programs to present their scientific, technical and artistic activities (ŠVÔUČ). The submitted work is evaluated and assessed by the opponents and the defense of the work is held in front of an expert panel. In addition to the above competitions, the students present their activities in visual art exhibitions and musical events (solo, chamber and choral performance). The doctoral students also have the opportunity to participate in scientific conferences organized at the Faculties. Additionally, they can apply for financial support of their research activities through the UGA projects.

Construction of modern and comprehensive research centers

Cooperation with Scientific, Artistic and other Institutions

The University closely cooperates with leading scientific and educational institutions, art institutions, state and local government institutions in the Nitra Region, especially with the institutes of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, the University Hospital, Slovak Agricultural Research Center, Animal Production Research Center and other Slovak universities. The University maintains contractual cooperation with the Nitra Episcopate and the Priest Seminar focusing on education and culture. The extraordinary level of cooperation with the Slovak University of Agriculture (ŠIAA) is manifested above all in organizing joint events. In the area of artistic and creative activities, the University actively cooperates with the Andrej Bagar Theater in Nitra, the Nitra Museum, Nitra Gallery and the Nitra Community Foundation.
Media and Public Relations

Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra has implemented a media policy with the aim to create a positive image of the University in the public eye. It puts great emphasis on providing information on the ongoing research and projects at the University and learning opportunities at the individual Faculties to the general public.

This is the responsibility of the Media Department, which runs the content management system of the university magazine Náš čas, the University website, profiles at the social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter, and electronic information sheets for employees and students. It also manages the integrated information system, providing publicity and information through the LCD screens in all university buildings.

It regularly publishes information and promotional materials about the University, its organizational units and activities, and provides organizational support at the Faculties and other organizational units at CPU Nitra when communicating with the media and popularizing research and its results.

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