A Few Facts about Universities in Slovakia

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UNIVERSITIES IN
SLOVAKIA

In the near future, for educational and economic reasons, Slovakia is unlikely to invest in building new university campuses, rather it will concentrate on reconstructing and renovating existing facilities. While providing healthy indoor environments, the country will aim to reduce energy consumption which has been a major expense for many years.

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Universities in Slovakia specialise in the following subjects:

- natural science;
- technology;
- forestry and wood technology;
- medicine and pharmaceuticals;
- veterinary medicine;
- humanities, political and international science;
- music, dramatic arts, fine arts and design.

The Slovakian university campus usually consists of separate functional zones assembled around the campus centre. The central area allows for interaction and directs students towards other integrated centres. The zones correspond to the following functions:

- educational (teaching, research, science, experiments, production);
- social and service (accommodation, canteen, healthcare and other basic services for students);
- athletic and recreational;
- administrative.

Campus area and building sites are calculated according to a technical-economic coefficient. The optimum size takes into account the various spaces needed to meet educational needs, such as auditoriums, lecture halls, rooms for technical drawing, workshops and laboratories.

Developments in education influence both building design and equipment. To help students learn information technology, for example, various types of spaces equipped with computers are available outside of class time.

Each campus is unique. The project designer utilises his or her aesthetic know-how while respecting operational, climatic, technological and scenic requirements.

Most of the universities in Slovakia belong to the state; only two are privately owned.

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Agricultural University, Nitra

Faculty of Architecture, Bratislava