

Inclusion in QS Rankings

How can a university qualify for participation in the QS Rankings?

1. Getting onto our initial list

The university must offer undergraduate AND graduate/postgraduate degree programs.

The university must offer degree programs that objectively qualify under more than one of our 5 broad faculty areas (Arts & Humanities, Engineering & Technology, Life Sciences & Medicine, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences)

Please note: Running a joint diploma with another school DOES NOT qualify the school as being active in the subject area offered by the other school.

2. Cooperation to provide accurate data

Universities are expected to provide us with accurate data. Please note that the figures should be based on the last **annual reporting period** (the last complete academic, financial or calendar year, whichever is easier to provide). For example, the university will need to be able to answer questions regarding:

Faculty statistics (e.g. full time / part time / international)

Student statistics (e.g. undergraduate / postgraduate / full time / part time / international)

3. Justification to participate in our ranking

The university should provide us with an argument or statement of why the institution should be included based on an objective comparison between their university and other institutions (in their country/region) that are already included in the ranking.

The university should also refer to inclusion in any domestic ranking if available and appropriate. This statement should come from the rector's office.

4. Additional Stimuli we take into consideration

Survey Performance – respondents to the Academic and Employer Reputation Surveys are invited to suggest any institutions they feel may have been omitted.

Geographical Balancing – acknowledging that universities have different priorities and characteristics in different parts of the world, the balance of institutions from given countries and regions is periodically reviewed.

Upon receiving all the necessary information from the interested participant, a member of our QS Intelligence Unit will contact the university on whether they are eligible to participate in the ranking.