



Competitiveness

UBB has once again reconfirmed its position as one of the leading universities at a global level, as shown by the [2022 edition of the Times Higher Education World University Ranking](#) by subject areas. According to the ranking, UBB holds very good positions in various academic fields:

- In the field of [Computer Science](#), UBB is ranked first in the country – *together with the Polytechnic University of Timișoara* -, and holds an international position of 601-800;
- In the field of [Engineering](#), UBB is the first university in the country and is situated in the 501-600 range at an international level;
- UBB is the only Romanian university present in the ranking in the [Psychology](#) domain, where it is ranked in the 401-500 range at an international level;
- UBB has also been ranked first in the country in the [Physical Sciences](#) domain, where it is ranked in the 601-800 position internationally.
- In the field of [Life Sciences](#) Romania is represented only by Babeș-Bolyai University and the University of Bucharest, both institutions being ranked in the 601-800 range at an international level.

Furthermore, according to the recently published edition of the [US News Best Global Universities](#) ranking, UBB is the first university in Romania, being ranked 675 on an international level. Thus, out of the 43 academic fields included in the ranking, UBB represents the country in 7 fields, with excellent results:

- [Chemistry](#) – first position nationally and 587th position internationally;
- [Engineering](#) – first position nationally and 544th position internationally;
- [Environment/Ecology](#) – UBB is the first and only Romanian university included in the ranking, while it is ranked 499th internationally;
- [Geology](#) – first position nationally and 333th on an international level;
- [Mathematics](#) – first position on a national level and 147th internationally;
- [Physics](#) – third position on a national level, while internationally it is ranked 267th;
- [Psychiatry/Psychology](#) – the first and only Romanian university included in the ranking, and ranked 271st on an international level.



News

By decision no. 11.401/22.09.2021, the UBB's Administration Council approved [a set of measures for organising academic activities in safety and security](#).

By decision no. 12638/11.10.2021 of the UBB's Administration Council, [the operational procedure and the corresponding questionnaire for organising and carrying out the evaluation of students' satisfaction level at UBB](#) was approved.

UBB has joined the [EUTOPIA European Universities Alliance](#) in an attempt to redefine the European academic area. Founded by prestigious European universities, the alliance aims to redefine the future directions of the European higher education and create a new, innovative European academic model, taking into consideration the principles of a united and open Europe.



Events

Qualitas Centre recommends the upcoming online events:

- CGHE Seminar – [What do ethical practices with international students look like?](#) – **2 November, 2021**
- EUA Webinar – [A new world? Universities in changing international relations](#) – **3 November, 2021**
- Presentation of the EUA innovation survey findings entitled [The Universities as key contributors to sustainable innovation ecosystems](#) – **10 November, 2021**
- RISIS Research Seminar on [Entrepreneurialism, subject concentration, and the role of public funding in shaping the trajectory of European Universities](#) – **11 November, 2021**
- 2021 European Quality Assurance Forum (EQAF) entitled [Building trust and enhancement: from information to evidence](#), – **18-19 November, 2021**, deadline for registration is 1 November, 2021

Activities

The [quality assurance programme for the 2021-2022 academic year](#) has been completed.

The new members of the [Evaluation and Quality Assurance Committee \(CEAC\)](#) have been appointed for the 2021-2022 academic year, and the first meeting with the members was organised.

We have completed the revision of the operational procedure for the evaluation of the professional activity of teachers and researchers. The document has been submitted to the Administration Council for approval.

The operational procedure for investigating university dropout is being reviewed.

Coming soon

A nominal plan of the collegial evaluations to take place in the first semester of the 2021-2022 academic year at the Faculties' level will be completed soon, along with reports on the evaluations carried out in the 2020-2021 academic year.

The institutional report on the results of the collegial evaluations carried out in the 2020-2021 academic year is being prepared.

Digital library

Qualitas Centre recommends the following publications:

- OECD – [Education at a Glance 2021](#)
- EUA – [Pathways to the future. A follow-up to "Universities without walls – A vision for 2030"](#)
- EUA - [The new university Open Access checklist. A practical guide on implementation](#)
- Bunescu, L. & Estermann, T. – [Institutional transformation and leadership development at universities. A mapping exercise](#)
- University World News - [Powers and responsibilities of universities in a time of crisis](#)



Dear Colleagues,

If you have / organize / create / participate in tutorials / demonstrations / tools regarding online teaching, which you think would be useful to share with the UBB community, please send us a link to them, so we can include them in the next issue of *QualiNews*.



QUALITAS Centre is willing to assist fellow members of the UBB staff with information regarding quality assurance, university rankings and graduate market employability overviews. You can contact us at qualitas@ubbcluj.ro or at the extensions: 7021 and 7022, every day from 8 am to 4 pm.

