

## **Huazhong University of Science & Technology (HUST)**

Huazhong University of Science & Technology (HUST), a merger of the former HUST (founded under the approval of the Central Government in 1953), Tongji Medical University (founded in 1907), Wuhan Urban Construction Institute (founded in 1954) and Wuhan Vocational College of Science & Technology (founded in 1968), was established on May 26, 2000. HUST is located in Wuhan, the capital city of Hubei Province. It is a key comprehensive university under the direct leadership of the Ministry of Education of P. R. China and it is one of the first group universities listed in the national "211 Project" and "985 Project".

HUST ranks at the top of China's leading universities in comprehensive strength. It has 36 academic schools and departments covering eleven disciplines: philosophy, economics, law, education, literature, history, agriculture, science, engineering, medicine and management. The University offers a variety of programs, including 75 undergraduate programs, 200 Master programs, 139 doctoral programs and 22 post-doctoral research centers. It has 4 National Leading Laboratories, 4 National Engineering Research Centers, and 12 Leading Laboratories of Ministerial and Provincial Level. 15 key subjects are national level and 28 key subjects are ministerial and provincial level. The University has more than 13, 000 faculty members, of whom over 4, 000 are full time teachers, 16 are academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and the Chinese Academy of Engineering, over 900 are professors. The number of resident students is over 50, 000, of whom more than 17, 000 are graduate students. Teaching, research and administrative buildings cover 743, 800 square meters and student dormitories cover an area of 554, 600 square meters.

HUST keeps to the principle that "Cultivating students is the fundamental". It has a very fine academic ambience. The University emphasizes fostering students' pioneering spirit and practical ability and producing tip-top talents as well. In Chinese high institutions, it first upheld and conducted humanistic education to push forward the combination of scientific education and humanity education. Recently, the employment rate of HUST graduates lies in the top of leading Chinese universities.

The University is active in setting up international academic exchanges and co-operation. It has established relations with around 100 foreign universities, research institutes and companies. Over 2 decades, the number of visiting experts and professors has amounted to over 2000. More than 200 of them have been awarded Honorary Professor, Guest Professor or Consultant Professor. About 3000 HUST staff members have studied overseas, excluding short-term visits, lectures and seminars. Since 1986, the University has been accepting international students studying in China under Chinese Government Scholarship. It also offers "University Scholarship" to outstanding international students as a means of promoting good attitude, conduct and distinguished performances during their study here.

The mission of HUST is to develop itself into an internationally recognized university by 2020 and make it one of the first-class universities around the world by 2050.

<http://www.hust.edu.cn/english>

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Huazhong\\_University\\_of\\_Science\\_and\\_Technology](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Huazhong_University_of_Science_and_Technology)