

Quality education in many fields of study

Types of programs:

90

undergraduate

37

masters

22

doctorates

Diversity & inclusion through academic extensions projects

An academic extension project is defined as an opportunity for professors, students and educational staff to interact with the community outside of the academic institution. UFPel has been recognized as a leading institution for providing these educational activities, originating from schools, social movements, public institutions, non-governmental organizations, projects or programs within community associations, or business and third sector entities. The university carries out about 500 cultural and academic extension activities per year.



Photos: Kátia Helena Dias, Roberto Giovanaz, Régis Dutra, André Barcellos e Thiago Bergmann
Textual revision: Kelsey Kennedy
Graphic Design: Carol Lima
CRInter/CCS - UFPel - OUT2015



Culturally Rich

Socially Fair

Internationally-Oriented

"UFPel promotes and values activities that are dedicated to building upon the local and regional identity of the school"



UFPel is a public institution founded on the principles of education, research, and academic extension. Dedicated to building knowledge and culture for both social and scientific demands, UFPel's mission is to further its students' professional education while maintaining its commitment to social progress and values.



Pelotas is located between Porto Alegre, the state capital, and the border with Uruguay.

History

UFPel was officially created on August 8th, 1969 as part of Decree-Law No.750 to transform the Rural Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul. As a result, UFPel unified with other higher education institutions in the city, aiming to contribute to the development of human beings and society as a whole through science and technology, arts and culture.



Today, UFPel has grown to include 22 different schools.



A multi-campus institution

Currently, UFPel's structure includes four campuses: Campus Capão do Leão, Campus Ciências da Saúde, Campus Ciências Sociais and Campus Porto, which houses the Rector's Office and other administrative units.

In addition to the four university campuses, UFPel also has other various educational facilities located around Pelotas:

- Agency for the Development of Lagoa Mirim
- Agricultural Center of Palma
- Carlos Ritter Museum of Natural Sciences
- Leopoldo Gotuzzo Museum of Art
- University Press
- University Hospital

CULTURALLY RICH

UFPel promotes and values activities that are dedicated to building upon the local and regional identity of the school while maintaining a national and international perspective.



Democratic governance at a public university

UFPel takes pride in its democratic principles of participation, transparency and inclusiveness. The university government is dedicated to implementing projects that align with the relevant challenges and demands of the community. Projects are designed to improve efficiency, sustainability and conditions for both work and study, as well as integrate the cultures of Brazilians and foreigners alike.

SOCIALLY FAIR

Maintaining a democratic, transparent, participatory and inclusive administration, UFPel is now a key agent for the social, political, economic and cultural development for the communities in southern Brazil.

Student assistance & affirmative actions

The continued qualification of student assistance programs are a priority for the University. In this regard, UFPel has been developing public policies aiming to repair the social, ethnic and economic distortions and inequalities in Brazilian society. From 2003 onwards, 50% of the seats in undergraduate courses are designated for students of African descent or with economic need. UFPel has implemented affirmative action programs to welcome students and ensure that they have all the essentials to attend the university.

UFPel receives students through several programs such as PEC-G and has implemented a structure that integrates the student into their pursued curriculum, as well as provides support for their Portuguese language acquisition.



Diversity in Research and Innovation

Over 500 scientific and technological research scholarships or young talents awards were granted in 2013. Over 900 scholarship-holding masters, doctorate, or postgraduate degree students are developing their activities within UFPel's graduate programs. Also in 2013, 15 new patent applications were registered in the Coordination of Technological Innovation. UFPel invests in an innovation program that promotes the creation and consolidation of research groups and fund-raising, as well as the design and transfer of technologies. It also takes part in the dissemination of research results and the encouragement of actions aiming toward regional development.

INTERNATIONALLY ORIENTED

UFPel is continuously sending and receiving students and educational staff from abroad. The university maintains agreements with more than 60 higher education institutions in 20 different countries to promote student mobility. The International Affairs Office manages a number of federal or local agreements and programs, such as Amigo Universitário, (College Buddy). Since 2012, Ciência sem Fronteiras, or "Science Without Borders", has provided UFPel's academic community with the opportunity to study at the best universities and research centers abroad in an effort to propel the expansion and internationalization of Brazilian science, technology and innovation.

