

Training teachers for vocational education schools in Ukraine

Olena Panych state expert, Directorate of higher and adult education, Ministry of education and science, Ukraine



General data

Higher education institutions (HEI) in Ukraine are experiencing tough competition for entrants, given the current population decrease and significant emigration scale

- In Ukraine there are 282 HEI hosting
- 1 322 300 students



General data

Average number of students in Ukrainian HEI is about 4600. Distribution:

- 70% HEI under 5 000 students
- 25% HEI 5 000 10 000 students
- 5% HEI more than 10 000 students



48 HEI train teachers for vocational education schools, including:

- 11 classical universities
- 17 pedagogical universities
- 2 technical universities
- 2 colleges
- 1 institute of continuing professional training
- 16 sectoral HEI: 6 agrarian, 3 economical, 1 construction and architecture, 2 design, 1 water and environmental management, 2 transport, 1 natural sciences)

Of this group:

7 HEI are situated in the capital (Kyiv)

7 regional centers have 2 HEI each

27 cities have 1 HEI each



Total number of students at teacher training programs for vocational education schools (2019/20)

Bachelor level:

Master level:

- Intramural 3486
- Extramural 1484

- Intramural 835
- Extramural 623



Educational programs (bachelor level)

#	Subject specialization	Number of students, intramural	Number of students, extramural
1	Computing technologies	1019	203
2	Food science and technologies	278	120
3	Engineering	136	41
4	Food processing	228	40
5	Textile	212	62
6	Transport services	348	144
5	Interior design	78	25



Educational programs (bachelor level) continued

#	Subject specialization	Number of students, intramural	Number of students, extramural
6	Economics	96	139
7	Electricity and energy	71	27
8	Metallurgy	24	25
9	Oil and gas extraction	78	56
10	Welding	34	6
11	Electronics, radio and telecommunications	47	18
12	Tourism	7	



Employment of graduates:

About 2% are employed in vocational education schools Most of the graduates are employed in the sectoral business

HEI ask for permission to grant double qualification:

- teacher of vocational education school and
- professional of the sectoral business



According to the Law on higher education (article 10), there are 7 components of a higher education standard:

- 1) sufficient number of credits for the corresponding level of higher education;
- 2) requirements for program entrants and the results of their training
- 3) list of mandatory competencies of graduates;
- 4) description of training content in terms of the learning outcomes;
- 5) evaluation system;
- 6) program description;
- 7) professional standards (if available).



- There is a procedure for developing higher education standards.
- The process is managed by special commissions organized by the Ministry. The commissions mostly consist of HEI representatives and very occasionally sectoral industry professionals.
- There are standards for each sector (field) and each level of education (Bachelor, Master, Doctor)
- For teacher training programs for vocational education schools, currently there is only Bachelor-level standard



Thank you!