

Offer of study programmes for the academic year 2026/2027

Study programme	12761 Public Health Care – full-time form, Slovak language 168457 Public Health Care – full-time form, English language 103254 Public Health Care – part-time form, Slovak language 168458 Public Health Care – part-time form, English language
Level	3rd
Form of study	full-time, part-time
Education method	In-person, blended, distance
Standard length of study	3 years – full-time, 4 years – part-time
Electronic application	<p>Instead of submitting a written application, the applicant may submit an electronic application without a secure electronic signature by the same deadline. An applicant who submits an online application is also required to send a fully completed and signed application in written form (a printed version of the online application) along with the necessary attachments listed below to the faculty address.</p> <p>The electronic application is published on the university's website.</p> <p>https://mais.truni.sk/eprihlaska/pages/odosielatel/rozhranie_odosielatela.mais</p>
Deadline for submitting applications	30 April 2026
Employment of graduates	<p>Graduates of the PhD program in Public Health Care can choose to work in one of three areas: science and research, teaching, and practice. Combinations of two or all three of these are possible.</p> <p>Among the scientific fields, it is mainly applied research where PhD students gain further experience and skills by participating in European or domestic research and development teams. Universities are frequent employers, but increasingly research is also carried out within health care institutions or organisations that provide health-related services. Several of our PhD students have found interesting work in hospitals and are focused, for example, on the quality of health care. Many are employed by occupational health protection organisations, health insurance companies, or pharmaceutical firms. We would like to see the state public health service provide more impetus for research, which would certainly attract more PhD graduates.</p> <p>There are also ample opportunities in academia for assistant professorships focused on some component of public health. Even our faculty is expanding or maintaining its teaching team by selecting from among the best graduates.</p> <p>Public authorities in health care or health-related fields have also often employed our graduates. This is in part due to innovative programmes in leadership and integration with professionals that help our students gain key leadership positions both nationally and internationally.</p>
Conditions of admission	<p>The basic condition for admission to the doctoral study programme in the full-time and part-time form of study (which ends in obtaining the “PhD” degree) is the completion of the second level of university studies. An applicant for PhD studies must be able to demonstrate knowledge and skills at the graduate level from master's degree study programmes in Public Health Care or Laboratory Investigation Methods in Health Care (Mgr.), or a graduate of related fields of study (MUDr., PhDr.).</p>

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	<p>Applicants who have completed their 2nd-level studies abroad must submit a ruling on the equivalence of their education.</p> <p>Another admission requirement, to ensure that applicants with the necessary abilities and aptitudes are admitted, is the admission procedure. The applicant must submit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant who has completed higher education abroad must submit educational documents that have been officially recognised as equivalent in accordance with Act No. 422/2015 on the Recognition of Documents on Education and on the Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Amendments to Certain Acts. <p>Applicants who demonstrate the highest level of aptitude for study, i.e. achieve the highest number of points, will be admitted to study.</p> <p>The results of the entrance examination will be published on the faculty's website.</p>
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Admission procedure	<p>The admission procedure consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a written test – examination in a foreign language – the selected foreign language will be indicated by the applicant in the application (max. 60 points) - oral examination focused on knowledge that is a prerequisite for successful entry to PhD study; the topics and categories of oral examination questions in individual disciplines are published on the faculty's website – https://fzsp.truni.sk/okruhy-otazok-na-prijimacie-pohovory (max. 60 points) - presentations and discussions regarding the proposed dissertation topic – the applicant must present his/her own dissertation proposal to the committee submitted together with the application – in a scope of from 2,000 to 3,500 words – and the committee will evaluate the quality of the developed proposal, its feasibility, choice of the research strategy, applicant's presentation of scientific and research plan, and applicant's responses to the committee's questions and suggestions. The dissertation proposal should be consulted in advance with the supervisor or a co-supervisor. A list of supervisors and co-supervisors approved by the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Health Care and Social Work of TU (FHCaSW TU) is available at the FHCaSW TU website – https://fzsp.truni.sk/zoznam-skolitelov (max. 150 points) - other documented prerequisites of scientific activity – e.g. participation in student scientific and professional activities, awards for studies, the applicant's own publishing activity, etc. (max. 30 points) <p>The maximum possible score for the admission procedure is 300 points.</p>
Dissertation topics	<p>Dissertation topics for the upcoming academic year will be published on the website.</p> <p>https://fzsp.truni.sk/temy-na-doktorandske-studium</p>
Conditions of admission for foreign applicants	<p>The conditions of admission of foreigners, foreign students, or students who have completed their secondary studies abroad are the same as the conditions of admission of students who have completed their secondary studies in the Slovak Republic and are citizens of the Slovak Republic.</p>
Coordinator for students with specific needs	<p>doc. PhDr. Nadežda Kovalčíková, PhD.</p>

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Deadline for receipt of documents proving completion of previous education	<p>Applicants who completed their 2nd-level university studies in the academic year 2024/2025 and earlier must send all the necessary attachments with their application.</p> <p>Applicants who will be completing their 2nd-level university studies in the academic year 2025/2026 must submit all necessary attachments in addition to evidence of completion of the 2nd level of study – diploma, certificate of final examination, diploma supplement – according to instructions from the faculty.</p> <p>The faculty will send an invitation to the admissions procedure to applicants one month before the entrance examination. Applicants who will not have been issued evidence of the completion of higher education in the relevant study programme on the date of the entrance examination must later submit a certificate of successful completion of the 2nd level in Public Health Care or Laboratory Investigation Methods in Health Care (Mgr.), or in related fields of study (MUDr., PhDr.).</p>
Deadline for submission of documentation of educational equivalents by a foreign applicant	Proof of educational equivalence must be provided by the applicant no later than the day of the entrance examination.
Date of the entrance examination	June 2026
Attachments to the application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Curriculum Vitae, 2. Proof of payment of the admission fee of €48, 3. Dissertation topic proposal in the scope of 2–3 pages, 4. Certified evidence of completion of the second level of education – diploma, certificate of final examination, and diploma supplement (applies to applicants who graduated in the academic year 2024/2025 and earlier). <p>Applicants who will be completing the second level of study or a combined level in the academic year 2025/2026 will provide a certificate of attendance and a transcript of academic results for the period already completed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Documents proving participation in student scientific and professional activities, English language certificate, and/or certificates for sports or cultural activities. 6. On the application form, the applicants will indicate the language entrance exam they will take: English or German.
Admission processing fee	€48
The admission processing fee should be paid as follows.	<p>Invoicing details: Bank: State Treasury Account: 7000241201/8180 IBAN: SK85 8180 0000 0070 0024 1201</p> <p>Variable symbol: generated VS for payment for the applicant = applicant's personal identification number without the letter R generated via the online application, or without the symbol if the applicant is sending the application only by post</p> <p>Specific symbol: 30002 Additional information: Surname and name</p>
Estimated number of admitted applicants	Depending on the amount of the allocated budget and the fulfilment of basic and other admission requirements, the faculty plans to admit at least 2 full-time and 5 part-time students in the academic year 2026/2027.

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Additional information	After uploading the electronic application, the applicant must print it, sign it, attach all attachments (CV, fee payment receipt, medical certificate), and send it to the study department of FHCaSW TU, otherwise the electronic application will not be accepted.
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