

**DESCRIPTION OF THE FIELD IN WHICH HABILITATION / INAUGURAL
PROCEEDINGS ARE HELD**

Public Health

University	Trnava University in Trnava
School	Faculty of Health Care and Social Work
Name of field of habilitation / inaugural proceedings ("HIP")	864 public health
Academic program to which the HIP is assigned	5607 public health
Doctoral academic programs in the field to which HIP is assigned	Public Health in full-time (Slovak Language, English language) and in part-time form (Slovak Language, English language)
Postgraduate academic programs in the field to which HIP is assigned	Public Health in full-time form (Slovak Language)

The contents of the HIP field

Name of the HIP field: **Public Health**

Content of the HIP field:

We understand the habilitation and inaugural procedures for the public health academic programme of study as a tool for strengthening education and scientific research activities in the field of study. The specificity of education in this field is that the basic framework of education is given by the documents of the World Health Organization (WHO) and the EU. Among other things, these specify the content and scope of 10 basic operations of public health, but also the concept of 10 essential services of public health. At the same time, the EU is gradually introducing the competencies necessary for the performance of individual specialized professions in health services (ASPHER - ASPHER's European List of Core Competences for the Public Health Professional, WHO-ASPHER competency framework for the public health workforce in the European Region). Research, with rare exceptions, is of an applied type, focused on the use of quantitative and qualitative methods and their combinations. It addresses a wide range of issues within the traditional evidence-based topics of public health, disease prevention and health promotion, epidemiology and clinical epidemiology, management and informatics in public health, and ethical issues. The mentioned topics are not geographically limited and therefore the concept of global health in the sense of One Health is increasingly coming to the fore.



Definition of the HIP field

Overall, within the habilitation and inauguration continuations, we strive to implement the main components of the EU strategy:

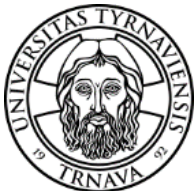
1. To ensure better health and well-being of people throughout their lives;
2. Strengthen health care systems and advance general health care; a
3. Prevent and combat health threats, including pandemics, by applying a One Health approach.

As part of **the habilitation continuation**, emphasis is placed on the perspective of personal development for the benefit not only of the University of Trnava, but also from the point of view of Slovakia as a whole. Public Health is a relatively new field that is developing intensively. The applicant should meet not only publication and pedagogical criteria, but especially personality criteria, which provide the prerequisite for further development for the benefit of the candidate and the entire field. In the field of education, it is mainly the expressed interest in the development of the field and its interpretation by students and the entire professional public. This should be supported by demonstrable results and skills. The skills should relate not only to face-to-face teaching, but also to distance learning, the use of LMS resources, and the development or innovation of educational programs. In the field of science and research, demonstrable results are required from the candidate, documented by publication and project activities at home and abroad.

The inaugural procedure places emphasis on verifying the assumptions and expectations that resulted from the habilitation procedure and were implemented during the tenure as a docent. In addition to meeting the formal requirements, the candidate is expected to be aware of the responsibilities that will be placed on him in his new position. At the same time, it is expected that it has prerequisites for strategic planning of innovations in the field of education and research. That these are based on detailed knowledge of the development of science and technology in the field of public health, that he knows how to formulate short-term and long-term strategic goals in the context of developments at home, in the EU and in the world. He can transform these goals into projects, policies and various forms of cooperation within the university, professional societies and the international professional community. He implements these prerequisites and abilities independently, but also in the form of leadership in the education of new generations and followers. At the same time, it develops the position of the department at home and in the world.

Persons responsible for development and quality assurance of the field:

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More information available on websites of the department at

<https://fzsp.truni.sk/personalne-zabezpecenie-katedry-vz>

Criteria - "Associate professor" and "Professor"

Criteria for earning the scientific-teaching degree of "Associate professor" and criteria for earning the scientific-teaching degree of "Professor" of the Trnava University in Trnava, Faculty of Health Care and Social Work

Available at:

<https://fzsp.truni.sk/legislativa>

Generally applicable HIP principles at TU

The HIK in the field of Public Health fully respects the principles set out in the Directive of the Rector of Trnava University in Trnava No. 1/2022 on habilitation procedures and inaugural procedures

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